

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

The Gordon Parish is a supervised, community-led parish ~ Parish Pastoral Council: Dan Toohey (Chair), Christine Hall (Secretary),

Shane Carey, Frank Simpson, Bridget Sims, Mick Winter, Gabrielle Driscoll, Bambi Afford

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones. Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay

Parish Secretary/Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): Natasha Buttigieg ☎ 5368 9280 or 0423 217 556

✉ gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

For Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and Maintenance, please contact Parish Secretary ~ messages will be forwarded

PARISH VISION: That all parishioners and visitors are welcomed as family and nourished as the Body of Christ



Parish Schools

St. Brigid's Primary School

Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll ☎ 5368 1015

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au

St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Mrs Bambi Afford ☎ 5368 9495

www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last weekend

Thanks to all who give generously to each of these collections:

Loose	Presbytery: \$200.00	Parish: \$130.35
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$1,724.80	2018/19: \$2,840.75 (to date)
Annual total	2017/18: \$67,169.90	

Parish of Gordon Commission Update – Sue Daly & Vin Dillon

Initial work for the Commission involves a review of our past Coordinator structure. Parishioners are now invited to finalise responses to our first survey (yellow paper), which has been available at church entrances for the last 3 weeks, seeking your views on 'What has worked well in our parish structure over the past 5 years?' The deadline for this theme is 5th August. The second theme for this retrospective component of the Commission is 'What challenges have we encountered over the past 5 years?' Blue forms are now available for parishioners to respond to this theme. Please see the white information sheets and survey forms at the entrance to each church for more detail on how you can contribute. Future work will focus on exploration of potential options for the future governance structure of the parish and discernment of a preferred structure based on a consultation process with the parish community.

Parish Bulletin Via Email

If any Parishioners would like to receive the Bulletin via email please contact parish secretary ☎: 5368 9280 or 0423 217 556

RCIA Coordinator

Sister Kathleen is stepping down from RCIA Coordinator. We thank her for all the work she has done. The position is now available, if you are interested please contact Parish Secretary.

eConference: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change

see over page for full details.

People interested in joining a local group for this are asked to contact Kathleen Moran ☎ 0438 812 449 with names and phone numbers. Venue will depend on numbers interested.

Coming Events & Meetings

- Sunday 19th August: Children's Mass, Gordon

Church Cleaning – August

St Michael's 10th, St Brigid's 17th & St Patrick's 24th.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Marie Shanahan Anne Eskdale	Therese Winter Sue Petherick Debbie Goldie	Natalie Toohey Loretta Toohey



ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE

St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree

Parish Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ~ ☎ 5334 0450 ~ C/- Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352

✉ bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

Parish Schools

St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 5280

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au

St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604

www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections las weekend

Presbytery: \$118.00	Parish: \$350.00
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Victorian Child Safe Standards

These new standards apply to all organisations that provide services for children. Our parish's Child Safety Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct are available on the parish webpage of the diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links.) Parish Safeguarding Officer: Leah Hanrahan.

Confirmation and First Eucharist

Eight children from our parish are preparing with their families for Confirmation and First Eucharist: Emma Dash, Jonah Hall, Thomas Howard, Casey Leonard, Tierney Leonard, Frankie Macdonald, Tess Rafter, Bethany Toose. We assure them and their families of our prayerful support during this time of preparation.

Retreat Day

~ Tuesday 14th August: Bungaree Parish Centre

Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist ~ Saturday 18th August, 6.30pm: St Brendan's, Dunnstown

Week 4 ~ Remembering Jesus: Remember, share, give thanks

- The Eucharist is a special meal recalling the Last Supper
- 'Eucharist' is a Greek word meaning 'thanksgiving'
- At the Eucharist we share a special meal that makes the life, death and resurrection of Jesus present to us
- A celebration recalls a past event and makes the past present



Parish Leadership Team

Meeting: Tuesday 7 August, 7.30pm

*He distributed to those
who were seated as much
as they wanted.*

LITURGIES			
Thur 2 nd Aug	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 4 th Aug	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 5 th Aug	Gordon	8.45am	
	Ballan	10.30am	

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
Sat 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarks Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)				

Recent Deaths:

Claire Jenson

Anniversaries

Carmel Grano, Clare Creaney, Frank White, Jack Everard, Brendan Nihill, Michael Patmore, Joseph Gerada, Mervyn Britt, Jim Britt, James Rix, Frank Pearce, Barry Duffin, Margaret Frawley, Biddy Murphy

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Wayne Mc Kercher, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Alice Gardiner, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Xavier Zahra, Jan Quinlan, Douglas Keating, Scott Dupo, Noel Craven

Three New Parishes

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has announced three new parishes, formed by joining groups of neighbouring parishes that have already been working together and sharing a parish priest. The priests who have been caring for these regions will continue to do so. This is the fruit of several years of consultation, with detailed proposals developed by local priests and parishioners over the past few months, and will make it easier for the local communities to share the tasks involved in pastoral care and parish administration. The new parishes are:

- Saint Mary MacKillop Parish, Western Border (Casterton, Coleraine, Edenhope, Hamilton, Harrow). Parish Priest: Fr Patrick Mugavin; Assistant Priest: Fr John Corrigan
- Holy Family Parish, Northeast Mallee (Swan Hill, Sea Lake, Boort). Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas
- Mary Glowrey Parish, East Wimmera (Birchip, Charlton, Donald, St Arnaud, Wycheproof, Quambatook, Lalbert). Parish Priest: Fr Eugene McKinnon; Assistant Priest: Peter Jose

Retreat for Bungaree and Gordon Parishes

Fr. John McKinnon has agreed to run a retreat at Donegan's Farm, 24-25 Oct, 9.15am-3.15pm. Further details later. If interested, please contact Kathleen Moran ☎ 0438 812 449

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers in parish and other ministries, employed or volunteers. Sacraments, scripture, youth ministry, liturgy, leadership: 5 weeks/subject. Registration for Sept/Oct study cycle now open. Info: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or Amanda ☎ 5337 7125 or amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au



Plenary Council 2020

'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...'

Plenary Council 2020. Phase 1: Listen and Dialogue

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Questions for individuals or groups (until Ash Wednesday 2019):

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?

Submit responses, get more information, and register for updates: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Plenary Council Gathering

Gathering with Melbourne based "Catholics for Renewal" to discuss the 2020 Plenary Council. Sunday, July 29, St Patrick's Cathedral Mackillop & Glowrey Rooms, Lyons St. 1.30-3.30pm.

eConference: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change

The 14th National eConference will focus on engaging Australian communities in discussion around the future vision & direction for the Catholic Church. Participate at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall. Wed 8th August, 10am-3pm. BYO lunch. Info: <https://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/news-events/111/event/217/synodality-in-practice-listening-to-the-spirit-and-leading-change>

Joy+ Diocesan Youth Festival

Day-long festival for youth and young adults 15-30yo. Ballarat, Sunday 25th Nov. Genevieve Bryant & band and special guests. Free registration: www.trybooking.com/WHVU Info: youth ministry pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset: your marriage! No group sharing. Melbourne, 7pm Fri - 5pm Sun: 17-19 August, 9-11 November. Accommodation and all meals provided. Info: Andre & Maria ☎ 0411 225 992 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

Sharing the Word

An eLibrary of Catholic resources, made available with the support of Catholic Mission Australia. <http://sharingtheword.info>

Our Diocesan Community

Latest edition available at church door

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
28 th & 29 th July	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): 2 Kings 4:42-44 ~ Ephesians 4:1-6 ~ John 6:1-15			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Volunteer Required	Mark Hanrahan Family	Donna Simpson	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Amanda & Olivia Elliott	F Hanrahan	D Ryan / M Frawley	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lloyd Lamb & Marie Wytkamp	James & Alison Eskdale Family	Denise Marshall & Patricia Binks	
4 th & 5 th Aug	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Exodus 16:2-4 ~ Ephesians 4:17 ~ John 6:24-35			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Dominic & Liam Hanrahan	Dom Hanrahan Family	Dorothy Sheehan	Joshua & Will
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Joan Bourke & Eily Carey	Maria & Bernadette Donegan	Pat Barry	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Anne Eskdale & Angela Carr	Binks Family	Bert Jarvis & Winnie Zammit	
11 th & 12 th Aug	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): 1 King 19:4-8 ~ Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2 ~ John 6:41-51			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	David Toohey & Family	Brendan Simpson Family	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am				
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Julie Dargan & Lin Bowers	Leon and Pat Burvill	Winnie Zammit & Simone Foder	