



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ GORDON

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

Supervising Priest: Fr Gary Jones ~ Parish Coordinators: Joan Bourke (Moderator), Catherine Green & Michael Ryan

Visiting Priest: Fr Shane Mackinlay ~ For Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals: Contact Narelle Conroy (Parish Secretary)

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

Parish Pastoral Council	Helen Ryan (Chair), Joan Bourke (Coordinator representative), Linden Hall, Marg Quinlan, Bridget Sims, Louise Haintz, Sr Kathleen Moran, Michael Kennedy (School Principal)		
Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Stephen Conroy, Brendan Maher, Lin Bowers (Coordinator Representative)		
Parish Schools	St. Brigid's Primary School	Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll	☎ 5368 1015 www.sballan.catholic.edu.au
	St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5368 9495 www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au
	St. Michael's Primary School	Principal: Mr Michael Kennedy	☎ 5334 0344 www.smspringbank.catholic.edu.au

Collections Last Week

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$300.00	Parish: \$622.00
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$144.00	Year to date: \$43,353.65
Direct Debit	May: \$1,190.00	

News from the Coordinators (Lin, Joan & Catherine)

This weekend we welcome back to our parish Bishop Paul Bird and Fr Gary Jones as they celebrate mass with us in Ballan. On this special occasion Joan Bourke (Moderator), Catherine Green and Michael Ryan will be commissioned our parish coordinators for the next twelve months. You are welcome to join with the Bishop, Fr Gary, the coordinators and other members of our parish for a cuppa following mass. We are thankful for the dedication and ongoing commitment of our coordinators as they contribute to the smooth running of the parish. We are also thankful for the wonderful support and encouragement from all members of our parish shown to Joan, Catherine and Michael.

Helping those in need – St Patrick's School Mass.

At St Patrick's Church, Gordon, on **Thursday, June 9th**, at **10am** a Mass will be held with the focus on helping those in need. Fr Gary Jones will lead the Mass and we ask for donations which can be provided to the Ballarat Soup Bus to support members of our community who need help as the days get colder and their struggle intensifies. If you cannot

attend the Mass, please leave donations at our Parish Schools for collection before Wed, 8th June, (a list of items is provided in each church foyer).

Plant Exchange:

June 12-19 is *Laudato Si Week* (Care of our common home). Parishes have been invited to hold an event. You are asked to bring potted plants or seedlings to Mass on 12th or 19th. Please place yours on a table and take another.

Parish Vision Statement:

Sr. Karon Donnellon will facilitate two gatherings for us to revisit our vision statement. St. Brigid's gathering space **July 3rd**, and **July 10th** St. Patrick's School, Gordon. Further details to come.

Refugee Week:

Refugee Realities. A public gathering is planned for **Sat. June 25th** at the Mechanic's Hall in Ballan. Further information later. Save the date.

Church Cleaning – June

****Vacuuming: St Michael's 1/6, St Brigid's 8/6. Final cleaning dates til Aug***
Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Brigid Sims & Caz Craggill	Carmel Mahar, Sue Clifford & Josie Donegan	Eileen Haintz & Louise Haintz



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 Fax: 5334 0514

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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 Last Week

Presbytery: \$143.50	Parish: \$400.00
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Confirmation and First Eucharist



Information Night for parents of children celebrating Confirmation and First Eucharist this year (Year 3 or above)

~ Wednesday 15th June, 7.30pm: Bungaree

Parish Centre

Children enrol for the preparation program

~ Saturday 18th June, 6.30pm: St Brendan's, Dunnstown

Retreat Day

~ Thursday 28th July: Bungaree Parish Centre

Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist

~ Sunday 31st July, 8.45am: St Michael's, Bungaree

~ Saturday 6th August, 6.30pm: St Brendan's, Dunnstown

Parish Social Lunch with Walk-4-One Guest Speaker

2-course meal with guest speaker: Sam Clear. 15,600 km on foot, 20 countries, 568 days, 11 near-death encounters, one extraordinary story. Sam Clear walked around the world in an effort to urge and inspire all Christians to unite: 'That they may all be one.' He didn't think it would be easy; but he had no idea how hard it was going to be ... His tale is one of extraordinary courage, challenges and love in action under incredible circumstances (see www.walk4one.com).

Bungaree Community Centre (Bungaree Recreation Reserve), Sunday 19 June, 12.30pm. Adults \$30, secondary students \$20 (drinks @ bar prices). Bookings by 10 June:

Amanda Elliott ☎ 0427 713 064 or

amanda@rumerz.com.au or Liz Hanrahan ☎ 0417 347 262.



LITURGIES			
Tues 7 th June	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thur 9 th June	Gordon	10am	Helping Those in Need Mass
	Ballan	10.30am	Prayer Group in gathering space
Sat 11 th June	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 12 th June	Bungaree	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 (6pm Blampied)	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Creswick 8.45am – Daylesford 10.30am)				

Anniversaries

Joan Clifford, Edna Quinlan, Georg Dimech, Leo Tuddenham, Brian Foley, Kristen Canty, Elizabeth Nunn, Danial Greene, Myrtle Fuller, Alan Blake, Greg Plageman, Maurice Ryan (50 years-father of Michael Ryan) and Frank Cullinan

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Kerry Mulcahy, Wayne McKercher, Gwen Shanahan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Stan Mahar, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Dan Toohey, Joe D'arcy, Vanessa Brotto, Mary Elliott, Mark Leonard, Gerard Molloy, Melanie Yates.

Welcome to Visiting Priest

Welcome to Fr Brian Boyle, who is celebrating Mass in Dunnstown this Saturday, while Fr Shane attends a meeting in Melbourne. On Sunday, Fr Brian will celebrate Masses in Creswick and Daylesford, so that Fr Gary Jones can attend the Commissioning of the Parish Coordinators in Ballan.

Pre-Election Forum

Monday 20th June, 6.00–7.45pm, Ballarat Central Uniting Church, cnr Dana St / Lydiard St Sth. An opportunity to hear the viewpoints of the candidates for Ballarat on issues for a just society and to ask them your questions.

Annual Mass Count results

Week 1: Dunnstown 94, Gordon 49, Ballan 71
 Week 2: Springbank 67, Bungaree 48, Ballan 69
 Week 3: Dunnstown 78, Gordon 49, Ballan 75
 Week 4: Clarks Hill 28, Gordon 98, Ballan 57

Volunteers to Support refugee students

Mercy Connect Ballarat needs volunteer mentors to support refugee students in local schools. 3 hrs/week for 4 school terms. Education experience preferred, but ongoing training provided. RSVP 7 June: Paulene Barton ☎ 0417 624 330 or mercyconnectb@gmail.com

Victorian Welsh Male Choir @ Buninyong

Sts Peter & Paul's Church, Sun 26th June, 2pm. Tickets \$30, John White ☎ 5341 2675 or 0402 808 299.

Men's Spirituality

There has been recent interest from men in our parishes in gaining support for their spiritual growth. Fr Barry Ryan has agreed to assist; however, we will need numbers before he is

invited to come. If you wish to be involved, please contact: Michael Ryan info@michaelryanca.com.au / ☎ 0408 823 184, or Kathleen Moran rsmmoran@vic.chariot.net.au or 0438 812 449

A Vote For The Voiceless

From a statement by the Catholic Bishops of Australia on the election (www.catholic.org.au)

“Australians are again going to the polls. We do so thankful that the electoral process will be free of the violence found elsewhere. Our political system may have its problems but we have a stable democracy, which is not to be taken for granted. Nor is the quality of those who put themselves forward for election to the Federal parliament. We are in their debt for their willingness to serve ... The economy of course is important and there does need to be sound management. But, as Pope Francis has pointed out, there is also a danger that the economy can become a kind of false god to which even human beings have to be sacrificed. This leads to what the Pope has called the throwaway culture – a culture of over-consumption where all kinds of things are thrown away, wasted, even human beings ... Among the people discarded in this throwaway culture are these: Refugees and asylum seekers ... Indigenous peoples ... survivors of sexual abuse ... those who suffer family violence ... those in the womb ... the elderly ... those suffering mental illness ... those suffering addiction ... the desperately poor beyond our shores ... any society is ultimately judged not on how well it manages the economy but on how well it treats the thrown-away people.

... Economic decisions have been less and less favourable to families in recent years; and it may be that political decisions in the future will undermine further the dignity and uniqueness of marriage as a lifelong union of man and woman ... Pope Francis has said that the earth too cries out for justice at this time ... Now is the time to act, so that the natural environment is able to meet human needs ... [this] does mean treating it with respect and seeing it as a gift to be received gratefully rather than as a resource to be plundered at will ...

We hope that ... our vote may be a vote in favour of a community where no-one is thrown away, where all the voices are heard and all the faces seen.”

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
4 th & 5 th June	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): 1 Kings 17:17-24 ~ Galatians 1:11-19 ~ Luke 7:11-17			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Rachael Peterken & Children	Peterken Family	Fran Peterkin	
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Michael McCarthy & Maria Donegan	Mark & Narelle Conroy	Carmen Camilleri	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & John Fabre	James & Alison Eskdale family	Judith Hodgson & Winnie Zammit	
11 th & 12 th June	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): 2 Samuel 12:7-10.13 ~ Galatians 2:16.19-21 ~ Luke 7:36-8:3			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Kath O'Neil	Molly Ronan	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Shelly Ryan	P Ryan	L Jeffrey / A Elliott	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	Bridget Sims Family	Cathy Mullane & Helen Conlan	
18 th & 19 th June				
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Dominic & Liam Hanrahan	Dom Hanrahan Family	Trish White	Amy O'L & Charlie Cahir
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Therese Winter & Debbie Goldie	Debbie Goldie & Caron Whitefield	Kathleen Moran	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Shanahan & Sandra Miller	Anita Lidgett family	John Fabre & Bert Jarvis	