

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. The Parish is led by a team of Coordinators, one of whom is the Moderator.

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

Coordinators: Catherine Green (Moderator), Michael Ryan, Angela Carr

Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm): Natasha Buttigieg ☎ 5368 9280 or 0447 609 485

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For Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals 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
St. Patrick's Primary School

Principal: Ms Gabrielle Driscoll ☎ 5368 1015

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Mrs Bambi Afford ☎ 5368 9495

www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

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

Loose:	Presbytery: \$200.00	Parish: \$208.55
Planned Giving:	Envelopes: \$2,130.55	Year to date: \$16,654.95
Sick & Retired Priests (to date):	\$456.00	
Catholic Missions (to Date):	\$20.00	

Gordon Community Fair

Sunday 12th November 10am-4pm. Gordon Recreation Reserve. Market & Food Stalls, Kids Activities, Live Music and more.

Gordon Cemetery Mass

Sunday 19th November at 2.00pm. Some seating supplied. Cup of tea available afterwards at Donegan's Farm. Please pass information on to interested people.

Help Needed: Table (can be outdoor table), tablecloth required for outdoor mass at Gordon cemetery on Sunday 19th November for 2pm Mass. If you can help please contact Donna ☎: 0438 340 342. NB: This mass will replace the 8.45am Mass at Gordon

Thankyou

To St Patrick's and the wider parish community, Thank you all for your support and sympathy regarding the recent death of our son Phillip Camilleri. We have received many cards, visits and phone calls from many of you within the parish and we are extremely grateful. It has been a very difficult time for our family especially since we had three of our family members pass away within the space of two weeks.

Farewell

We have re-scheduled the farewell for Carmen & Joe Camilleri for the 26th November. Cuppa, following mass at St Patrick's, Gordon. All welcome.

Kathleen's Corner

Australia's average winter temperatures have increased by about 1°C since 1910, driven by climate change, as a direct result of burning fossil fuels, coal, oil and gas. As always, the solution to climate change remains the same. We must rapidly phase out our use of polluting fossil fuels and transition to clean, efficient and affordable renewable energy and storage technologies. Professor Will Steffen - Climate Councilor

Coming Events & Meetings:

- Monday Nov 13th Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7.30pm
- Wednesday 15th November Parish Finance Committee
- Thursday 16th November Caring/Social Group Lunch: Ballarat Yacht Club 12.00pm. Enquiries & transport contact Marie Shanahan 5368 7255 or Helen Ryan 5368 9314.

Note: the 10.00am Ballan Prayer group will not be held this week

- Sunday November 19th Gordon Cemetery Mass, 2pm.
- Sunday November 26th Joe & Carmen Camilleri Farewell
- Monday December 4th - Parish Dinner at Donegan's Farm.

Church Cleaning - November

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

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Patricia Binks Family	Eily Carey Kate Carey Leisa Carey	Sharon Daly Sue Daly



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

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Parish Schools

St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill
St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 5280

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604

www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

Collections last week

Presbytery:	\$268.00	Parish:	\$474.00
Sick & Retired Priests (to date):	\$809.00		

Annual Parish Assembly

Thanks to all who attended the Parish Assembly last Tuesday. Particular thanks to Amanda Elliott, Katrina Griffiths, Craig Jenkins and Jill Prendergast, who have completed their term as members of the Parish Leadership Team (PLT). Welcome to the new members of the PLT: Karen Cahir, Lisa Elliott and Di Reynolds. We appreciate your willingness to contribute to our parish in this way. A new representative is still needed for Clarkes Hill.

Preparation for First Reconciliation

Eight children from our parish are preparing program for First Reconciliation. We assure them and their families of our prayers and support.

Retreat Day: Tuesday 21st November.

Celebration of First Reconciliation: Tuesday 21st November, 5.30pm.

Victorian Child Safe Standards

These new standards apply to all organisations that provide services for children. They came into effect for schools in 2016 and for parishes at the beginning of 2017. 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).

LITURGIES			
Tues 14 th Nov	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Sat 18 th Nov	Dunnstown	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 19 th Nov	Ballan	10.30am	
	Gordon Cemetery	2pm	Cemetery Mass **

	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	(Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)			



Anniversaries

Richard Butler, Maudie Smallman, Joe Fitzpatrick, Mary Ryan, Jack McEldrew, Katherine Clarke, Louisa Jarvis, Frank Bartaska, Mary Canty, Bob Britt, Ted Holloway, Geraldine Nihill, James Britt, Thomas Bawden, Graeme Mason, Matthew Steenhuis, Kath O'Hehir, Vincent Maher, Margaret Tynan

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Wayne McKercher, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, George Roberts, Carole Steenhuis, Alice Gardiner, Brad Simpson, Stan Mahar, Lore Winter, Xavier Zahra, Jan Quinlan, Douglas Keating, Scott Dupoy

Baptism

Congratulations to Pippa Anne Robbie (daughter of Belinda and Glenn), who is being baptised this weekend at St. Patrick's, Gordon. We welcome Pippa into our faith community, and assure her and her family of our prayers and support.



Baptism Anniversaries

This month, we celebrate the anniversary of the following recent baptisms: Mia Grace Mahar (2013), Beau Francis Davidge (2014), Patrick William Robinson (2016).

Lord God, strengthen your Spirit in them,
so they may walk in newness of life.

November Prayers for the Dead

In November, we traditionally place a special emphasis on praying for those who have died.

- A Book of Remembrance is available at the front of each Church. All are welcome to add names of those they wish to be prayed for and remembered.
- Envelopes for November Mass intentions are available at the church door.

Building a healthier Church: Where to from here?

A community forum at the Yarra Theological Union in Box Hill earlier this month heard three respected Church leaders talk about the impact of the child sexual abuse crisis on the Church from the perspective of a Bishop, an educator and the head of the Church's Truth Justice and Healing Council. Listen to their presentations: www.tjhcouncil.org.au/catholic-community

Sharing the Word

A free eLibrary of educational resources for Catholic ministry, collected by Catholic Mission Australia. It includes full texts of

over 8,000 open source ebooks, periodicals, podcasts and church documents. Free: <http://sharingtheword.info>

Promote Care, Oppose Euthanasia

The Victorian Government is seeking to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide later this year. The proposed changes will impact everyone, not just those terminally ill. The Catholic Church believes that any proposal to introduce legislation enabling physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia is not in the best interests of the community and will have wide-reaching ramifications. Info: www.cam.org.au/euthanasia

Timor-Leste Fundraiser

Thanks to the many parishioners who supported the Timor-Leste Fundraiser on 22 Oct. Your presence helped to raise the wonderful sum of \$1,780 which will be of great benefit to the works of the Edmund Rice Community. After nineteen years the Christian Brothers have announced that the Province will be withdrawing from ministry in Timor-Leste at the end of 2018.

Leadership for Mission 2018-2019

Graduate Program for Young Catholic Women aged 25-35. Combines theological education, faith formation and preparation for mission in a multi-faith world. RSVP: 26th Nov. Info: www.opw.catholic.org.au

Nazareth House Ballarat Auxiliary Annual Fete

Saturday, November 18, from 10.00am. Stalls galore, handball competition, morning tea, spinning wheel, BBQ lunch and much more. Fun for all the family.

Enrolment for Year 7, 2019

Damascus College

- Applications close: 16 Feb 2018

Loreto College

- Guided tours, 9am: Tues 6 Feb, Fri 9 Feb. RSVP: www.loreto.vic.edu.au
- Applications close: 16 Feb 2018

St Patrick's College

- Guided tours monthly: Friday morning. RSVP: cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au or ☎ 5331 1688
- Applications close: 1 Dec 2017
- Year 7 Scholarships: RSVP 18 Feb www.stpats.vic.edu.au

Available at Church Door

- Pastoral Letter from Victorian bishops on euthanasia
- Our Diocesan Community – October Edition free

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
11 th & 12 th Nov	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Wisdom 6:12-16 ~ 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 ~ Matthew 25:1-13			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Tony & Julie Toohey	Mark Hanrahan Family	Sharon Daly	
** Pootilla ~ 9.30am	Amanda & Olivia Elliott	Trish O'Donohue	L Jeffrey / M Frawley	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Julie Dargan & Lloyd Lamb	Bridget Sims Family	Patricia Binks & Denise Marshall	
18 th & 19 th Nov	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): Proverbs 31:10,13,19-20,30-31 ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 ~ Matthew 25:14-30			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Jennifer McKay & Sally McKay	Nick McKay Family	Fran Peterkin	Daniel, Matilda & Cody
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Mark Conlan & Rosemary Canavan	Julie Dargan Family	Judith Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	
Gordon Cemetery ~ 2pm	As requested	As requested	As requested	
25 th & 26 th Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Year A): Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17 ~ 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 ~ Matthew 25:31-46			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Pat Prendergast	Mary Prendergast	Marty Forbes	Mowing: Mark Forbes & Frank Mahar
Gordon ~ 8.45 am	Josie Donegan & Shane Carey	Maria Bernadette Donegan	Carmel Mahar	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Lin Bowers & Matthew Hall	James & Alison Eskdale Family	Angela Carr & Cathy Mullane	