

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): 20/21 January 2024

Our Parish acknowledges this land's traditional owners & custodians and pay our respects to Elders past, present, & emerging.

## THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF GORDON

St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank  
 Parish Priest: Fr. Justin Driscoll - ☎ 5368 9280; Out-of-hours: 0448 220 685  
 Leadership Team: Sue Daly & Brendan Maher (Springbank), Joan Bourke & Shane Carey (Gordon), Nola Kersley & Mark Conlan (Ballan)

Ex-Officio members: Paul McDowell & Jayne Bosworth. Safeguarding Officer: Aileen Toohey  
 Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Wed/Thurs 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5368 9280 or 0492 903 409  
 ✉ gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

**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 Jayne Bosworth  
 Principal: Mr Paul McDowell

☎ 5368 1015  
 ☎ 5368 9495

www.sballan.catholic.edu.au  
 www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au

### Collections from 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 to 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Presbytery	\$3472.60	Parish:	\$1665.00
Financial Yr to Date: \$23297.30			

**Christmas Dues:** \$950

**Bishop's Appeal:** \$1262.55

**Thank You:** We thank all parishioners for their generosity. Your donations contribute to the well-being of our clergy, pastoral activities and the upkeep of our churches.

### Ballan Mid-Week Mass

Thursday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am at St Brigid's.

**Columban Calendars for 2024** are now available from all churches.

### Volunteers for 2024:

Are you interested in becoming more involved in our mass services in the parish? If you or other family members are interested in reading the liturgy, church music or supporting our sacristans, please contact Fr. Justin or any member of the Leadership Team. Alternatively, email the parish office at [gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

We are child safe

Parishes, committed to safeguarding children, young people & vulnerable adults.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH ~ BUNGAREE

St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree  
 Parish Administrator: Fr Sajan Mathew ~ ☎ 5334 0450 ~ C/- Post Office, Bungaree Vic 3352  
 Leadership Team: Damien Ryan & Chris Frawley (Bungaree) Barry Sheehan & Dianne Reynolds (Dunnstown) Dom Prendergast & Marty Forbes (Clarkes Hill). Ex-Officio Member: Inez French.  
 Parish Secretary/ Parish Office (Tuesday 9.30am-2.30pm): ☎ 5334 0450 or 0492 903 409  
 ✉ bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au ~ 🌐 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au (follow parish links)

### Parish Schools

St. Mary's School, Clarkes Hill

Principal: Inez French ☎ 5334 5280

www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au

### Collections to 27<sup>th</sup> December 2023:

Presbytery:	\$1440.00	Parish:	\$1345.00
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**Christmas Dues:** \$270.00

**Thank You:** We thank all our parishioners and visitors to our parish for their donations to the presbytery and the planned giving program during the past year. It is sincerely appreciated.

### Liturgy Readers for 2024:

The parish invites interested parishioners, including family groups, to include their name/s on next year's liturgy rosters for St Brendan's Dunnstown, St Michael's Bungaree and St Peter's Clarkes Hill. Please contact Fr. Sajan or any

member of the Leadership Team. Alternatively, email the parish office at [bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Alert-Emails sent from Parish of Bungaree email address:

The Parish of Bungaree email address was compromised in early January 2024. Several parishioners have received spam emails asking them to verify their contact details, or the contact details of a parishioner, or asking them to open a file to view photos.

Please monitor all emails sent from the Parish of Bungaree email - [bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au) as they may be spams and be alert to any request to open attachments and/or files or click on links.

	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY	WEEKDAY MASSES
<b>20/21 January 2024</b>	<b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7: 29-31</b>		
Dunnstown-6.30 pm	Dianne Reynolds		Tuesday - 9.30 am Bungaree
Gordon - 9 am	To be Advised		Wednesday - 9.30 am Bungaree
Ballan -10.30 am	Jayme Naeff	Lorraine DeSirt & Vikki Boka	Thursday - 9.30 am Bungaree
<b>27/28 January 2024</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Deut 18: 15-20; 1 Cor 7: 32-35</b>		
Ballan - 6.00 pm	Julie Dargan & Jim Leahy	Eddie & Mary Cassar	Friday - 9.30am Bungaree
Clarkes Hill - 6.30 pm	To be Advised	To be Advised	Saturday - 9.30am Bungaree
Gordon - 9 am	To be Advised		
<b>3/4 February 2024</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Job 7: 1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23</b>		
Dunnstown-6.30 pm	Trish Ryan		Friday- Benediction after 9.30 am mass
Gordon - 9 am	To be Advised		Sat -Reconciliation after 9.30am mass
Ballan -10.30 am	Winnie Zammit	Bridgit Sims & Family	Holy Hour - 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month

## LITURGIES /WEEKLY MASSES

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday
Sat 6pm*, 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Ballan* Clarkes Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am, 9am *	Gordon*	Bungaree	Gordon*	Gordon*	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan		Ballan
Vigil Mass ~ Korobeit Sat 5 pm ~ Creswick 6.30pm - 1st Sunday ~ Daylesford 6.30pm -3rd Sunday Sunday Masses ~ Creswick 9am – 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday; Daylesford 10.30 am – 1st, 2nd & 4th Sunday					

The Calling of Saints Peter and Andrew, Basilica of St Apollinare Nuovo, Ravenna, Italy 6th century © Christian Art / Alamy; Downloaded: <https://www.indcatholicnews.com/news/46274>



**Anniversaries:** Lyndsay Daly, James Quinlan, Rae Simpson, James Jarvis, Una Toohey, Ted Hanrahan, Margaret Amos, Parick Green, Leon Burvill, Gerald Shanahan, John Parkin, Josie Ryan, Lex Walsh, Henry Parkin, Ross Murphy, Lois Britt, Catherine Crough, Patrick Crough, Tom Crough, Hilda Maher, Kevin Lenaghan, Tony O'Halloran

**We offer our prayers for the sick:** Christine Hall, Mary Cassar, Michelle Hall, Louise Smith, George Roberts, Thelma Keating, Noel Craven, Alice Gardiner, John Healy, Elaine Conlan and Lorraine Tipple.

**Pope's Prayer for January:** This month, Pope Francis asks us to join him in praying **for the gift of diversity in the Church.** *We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.*

### **Appointment of Diocesan Business Manager - from Bishop Paul Bird CSsR**

Hello Everyone,

In July this year, at the conclusion of Andrew Jirik's time as Diocesan Business Manager, I appointed Ross Wheatland for an initial six-month term in this role. The six-month appointment was made with a view to making a longer-term appointment after appropriate advertising of the position.

The position was advertised in October and November. Five applications were received.

I appointed a panel to review applications and conduct interviews. The panel consisted of Marcello Colasante (Diocesan Consultor and Vicar General), Megan Ioannou (Deputy Director Stewardship DOBCEL) and Stephen McArdle (Diocesan Finance Council).

On the recommendation of the panel and after consulting the College of Consultors and the Diocesan Finance Council, I have now appointed Ross Wheatland as our Diocesan Business Manager for a five-year term.

I thank Ross for the way he has fulfilled this role over the past six months and I wish him well in this service to the diocese in the years ahead.

God bless you all. Bishop Paul

### **New College of Consultors - from Bishop Paul Bird CSsR**

Hello Everyone,

The College of Consultors is a group of priests who serve as an advisory body for the bishop in the pastoral care of the diocese. The members of the present College of Consultors will conclude their five-year term at the end of this month and a new College will take up this role from the beginning of January, 2024.

I am happy to announce that the following will be members of the new College of Consultors: Fr Marcello Colasante, Fr Andrew Hayes, Fr Kevin Lenehan, Fr Ed Moloney, Fr John Monaghan, Fr John Corrigan, Fr Justin Driscoll, Fr George Kuruvila and Fr Neville Stanislaus.

Five of these are members of the current College (Fathers Colasante, Hayes, Lenehan, Moloney and Monaghan). Four will be new members (Fathers Corrigan, Driscoll, Kuruvila and Stanislaus).

Three members of the current College will be retiring from this role at the end of this month. They are Fr Kevin Maloney, Fr John Fitzgerald and Fr Jorge de Chavez.

To all the members of the current College of Consultors I offer my hearty thanks for the counsel they have provided over the past five years. To all the members of the new College I express my gratitude for their generosity in being ready to serve in this way. I am also happy to announce that Fr Justin Driscoll will be the contact person for Clergy Life and Ministry.

God bless you all. Bishop Paul

### **150 years of the Diocese of Ballarat – 2024**

On March 30<sup>th</sup> this year, the Diocese of Ballarat will turn 150. Many events have been organised during the year, including the Anniversary Liturgy during the Mass of the Oils on March 25 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 11.30am, and the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Holy Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>.

All parishes will celebrate anniversary liturgies on the fifth Sunday of Easter on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Paul will visit all parishes in the Diocese during 2024. On the weekend of August 31<sup>st</sup>-September 1<sup>st</sup>, Bishop Paul will visit Bungaree and Gordon.

