



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 (Moderator), Linden Hall, Bridget Sims, Louise Haintz, Sr Kathleen Moran, Gabe Driscoll (School Principal)** A representative is required for Springbank.**												
Finance Committee	Michael Ryan (Chair & Coordinator Representative), John Moroney (Book Keeper), Tony Lynch, Reg Haintz, Luke Mullane, Stephen Conroy, Brendan Maher												
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Collections Last Week

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

Loose	Presbytery: \$300.00	Parish: \$178.45
Planned Giving	Envelopes: \$228.00	Year to date: \$12,339.95
Sick & retired Priests (BCSF) to date : \$1,005.90		

News from the Coordinators (Joan, Catherine & Michael)

Thank you to the parishioners who attended the Parish Assembly last week. Your support is very much appreciated. Clara Geoghegan's presentation was very informative and has left many of us pondering what are our Gifts/Charisms, and how to use them in our everyday life. Last week Natasha Buttegieg was appointed as our Parish Secretary. Natasha lives in Ballan and her three daughters attend St Brigid's. Natasha is very enthusiastic and looking forward to being an integral part of our Parish life. We also thank Narelle Conroy for all that she has done for the Parish over the years, she saw us through many changes and she has made herself available to help Natasha to settle into her new role. We wish Narelle and her family all the best in their future pursuits.

Welcome to Bianca Flint

This Sunday in Gordon, we welcome Bianca Flint into the catechumenate, the first public step in her journey to Baptism in the Catholic Church. Our support and prayers are with her, her family and her sponsors. After Mass, we will have morning tea where we can show our welcome and support for Bianca personally.

Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) Information Session

Speaker: Susan Crowe, the diocesan contact for R.C.I.A., and member of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. **Parish House, Gordon (please note change of venue), Thurs 27th Oct, 7pm.** All welcome. Info: Kathleen Moran ☎ 0438 812 449 or rsmmoran@vic.chariot.net.au or Parish Office.

Cello Recital for Refugee Realities Ballan

Miranda Brockman, Sat 12th November 7:30pm, St Paul's Uniting Church, Ballan. 7:30pm wine & hors d'oeuvres; 8:15pm recital (JS Bach & Carl Vine); 9:15pm supper. Adult \$25, Conc. \$15, Student \$10: www.trybooking.com/MSSC or cash only at door. Info: RefugeeRealitiesBallan@gmail.com or ☎ 5368 2325

Parish Social Group: Visit to M.A.D.E

Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka followed by lunch at Saltbush Kitchen **Thurs, Nov 10th**. Bus departs **Ballan: 10.45am & Gordon: 11.15am**. Car transport also available. Contact Marie Shanahan ☎: 5368 7255 or Helen Ryan ☎: 5368 9314

Coming Events & Meetings:

- 25th Oct. 11am. Anointing Mass. St Brigid's. Home visits available on request. Contact Colleen Ryrie ☎: 5368 1170.

Church Cleaning – October

****Vacuuming: St Michael's - 4th, St Brigid's - 11th, St Patrick's - 18th October**

Thank you to all our volunteers who keep our Churches well maintained.

BALLAN	GORDON	SPRINGBANK
Ken Hillier & Lloyd Lamb	Therese Winter, Sue Petherick & Debbie Goldie.	Aileen Simpson & Anita Maher



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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Presbytery:	\$243.50	Parish:	917.00
Retired Priests (BCSF) to date: \$515.00			

Working Bee @ Bungaree

Saturday, 5th Nov, 8.30am. BYO rakes, shovels, trimmers, etc. Info: Frank Hanrahan



Farewells @ Clarkes Hill

Farewell to Mary Slater and Leo & Margaret Crough. Sat 26th Nov, 6.30pm Mass, followed by meal at Wallace Hotel. RSVP, 23 Nov: Helen Mahar SMS 0409 010 373.

First Reconciliation

Six children from our parish are preparing with their families to celebrate First Reconciliation. They will formally enrol in the program over the next two weeks, and will participate in a Retreat Day on Fri 18th Nov, before celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation that evening at 5.30pm. We assure these children and their families of our prayers and support as they prepare to celebrate this sacrament of God's forgiveness and mercy.

LITURGIES			
Tues 25 th Oct	Ballan	11.00am	Anointing Mass
Thurs 27 th Oct	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group St Brigid's gathering space
Fri 28 th Oct	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Sat 29 th Oct	Springbank	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 30 th Oct	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

Reg Mullane, Desmond Kane, Philip Calilleri, Bronislaw Blazek, Martain Seiger, Monica Burke, Brian Britt, Eileen Ryan, Patrick Elliott, Alma Holloway and Allan Dixon

We offer our prayerful support for the sick

Kerry Mulcahy, Wayne Mc Kercher, Gwen Shanahan, Bonnie MacDonald, Anna Bartaska, Mitchell Prendergast, Michelle Hall, Mary Cassar, Moira Myers, Louise Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Margaret Mullane, Phillip Camilleri, Melanie Yates, Joe D'arcy, Odile Just, George Roberts, Chelsea Lawler, Carole Steenhuis, Steven Molloy, Alice Gardiner

Welcome

Welcome to Patrick William Robinson (son of Mollie and Ashley), who at Mass this weekend is beginning his preparation for baptism at St. Peter's, Clarks Hill. We assure him and his family of our prayers and support.

Parish Cemetery Masses - November

Bungaree Parish: Mass at Pootilla Cemetery, Sunday 13th November, 9.30am.

Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Please pass on information to people who might be interested.

Gordon Parish: Mass at Gordon Cemetery. Sun 27th Nov. 2pm. (St Patrick's Church will be the alternative venue in the case of inclement circumstances. **no 8:45am Mass on this day**).

Young Men interested in the Priesthood?

Retreat Day / Pilgrimage: Sat 12th Nov, 10.30am–3pm, St Patrick's College. Bus to Scarsdale, 13km walk to Linton, Mass and lunch. Led by Fr James Kerr and 2 seminarians from Corpus Christi College. Info/RSVP: Fr Ed Moloney, edward.moloney@cam.org.au

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset: Your Marriage! Couples and a priest present the weekend (no group sharing). Melbourne, Fri 11 Nov, 7pm – Sun 13 Nov, 5pm. Accommodation and meals provided. Info: Marianne & Marcel ☎ 9733 0997 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

Beyond the Year of Mercy

A retreat afternoon led by Sr Veronica Lawson, open to all adults, St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Sun 30th Oct, 1.30pm, finishing with 5pm Mass. Registrations: Cathedral Office ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ☎ 5331 2933.

Fundraiser: Books for Timor-Leste

Film: Queen of Katwe, followed by high afternoon tea. Supporting Edmund Rice community. Regent Theatre, Sun 4th Dec, 1.45pm, \$25. Tickets: Liz Hanrahan ☎ 0417 347 262.

2018 Year 7 Enrolments

- **Loreto College:** Tours: Thurs 3rd Nov, Thurs 1st Dec, 9.30am. RSVP: www.loreto.vic.edu.au. Parent Info Evening: Mon 24th Oct, 7–8.30pm, Mary's Mount Centre.
- **St Patrick's College:** Info evening, tour, Q&A, supper: Wed 26th Oct, 7.30pm, College Chapel. RSVP: www.trybooking.com/MZJN Info: Caitlin Bennett cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au
- **Damascus College:** Information evening for parents & students, Wed 2nd Nov, 6.30pm (6.15pm registration)

Farewell School Principal - Michael Kennedy

St Patrick's Primary School, Gordon & St Michael's Primary School, Springbank warmly invite past & present staff, parents & members of our Parish Communities to join together and help celebrate Michael Kennedy's 10 years as our School's Principal. Friday 4th November, 7pm onwards at Wallace Hotel. Finger food provided, drinks at bar prices. Please come and enjoy a casual evening, an opportunity to celebrate the past 10 years together as a community.

End of an Era Celebration at St Michael's School, Springbank

St Michael's School will close at the end of the 2016 school year. On December 3, we will be celebrating the life and times of the school. Celebrations will commence with afternoon tea at 4pm. Mass at 6.30pm, then a spit roast tea, meeting old friends, colleagues and dance the night away. Recovery brunch, Sunday, December 4 (BYO drinks to this event). RSVP to Margie Quinlan Email: quinlanwater@gmail.com or message ☎: 0417 587 235. Please note that you will not be catered for if your name is not on the guest list.

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
22 nd & 23 rd Oct	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Sirach 35:12-14,16-18 ~ 2 Timothy 4:6-8 ~ Luke 18:9-14			
Clarks Hill ~ 6.30pm	Pat Prendergast	Mary (Pat) Prendergast	Marty Forbes	Mowing: Leo Crough & Tim Bennett
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Marie Conroy & Michael Winter	Gary & Margaret McTigue	Carmen Camilleri	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lloyd Lamb	James & Alison Eskdale Family	John Fabre & Bert Jarvis	
29 th & 30 th Oct	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): Wisdom 11:23-12:2 ~ 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 ~ Luke 19:1-10			
Springbank ~ 6.30pm	Kath O'Neil	Peter Maher Family	Julie Toohey	
Bungaree ~ 8.45am	Damian Ryan	Darren Rix	N Jeffrey / M Elliott	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Marie Shanahan & Sandra Miller	Anita Lidgett Family	Cathy Mullane & Angela Carr	
5 th & 6 th Nov	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C): 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14 ~ 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 ~ Luke 20:27-38			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Jennifer McKay & Lauren Murphy	Greg Murphy Family	Jennifer McKay	Amy, Charlie & Meg
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Kate Carey & Marie Durham	Brian & Kate Carey	Maria Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Patrick Hodgson & Lin Bowers	Binks Family	Lorraine Tipple & Lloyd Lamb	