

## 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)

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and Maintenance: contact Parish Secretary ~ Safeguarding Officer: Lin Bowers

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	<a href="http://www.sballan.catholic.edu.au">www.sballan.catholic.edu.au</a>
	St. Patrick's Primary School	Principal: Mrs Bambi Afford ☎ 5368 9495	<a href="http://www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au">www.spgordon.catholic.edu.au</a>

### Collections last weekend

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

<b>Loose</b>	Presbytery: \$250.00	Parish: \$192.80
<b>Planned Giving</b>	Envelopes: \$196.00	<b>Year to date:</b>
<b>Retired Priests (to date):</b>	\$372.00	\$15,671.55

### Parish of Gordon Commission Update – Sue Daly & Vin Dillon

Over the past couple of months we have taken a staged approach to gather your views on specific themes relating to our parish structure. Many thanks to everyone who has provided their input to this process. We are now collating your input into a summary to be presented at our Parish Meeting from 5pm this Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October at Donegan's Farm, where we will collectively discern the key recommendations for our Parish leadership structure. We value your input to this process in order to provide Bishop Paul with recommendations based on your views. This meeting will be followed by a Wood Fired Pizza evening!

### Parish Meeting

Donegan's Farm this Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 5pm. Pizza available after meeting at own expense.

### Drought Fundraiser

A second collection at Gordon mass for the Drought fundraiser will happen this weekend. As a parish we have collected to date \$1,270.00.

### Retreat at Donegan's Farm

Fr. John McKinnon will be director of a two-day retreat at Donegan's Farm, 24-25 October. Info: church foyer or ☎ 0438 812 449

### Oaks Day High Afternoon Tea

St. Brigid's Primary School major fundraiser. Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2pm-4.30pm in Multi-Purpose Room. Tickets \$20pp available from school office ☎: 5368 1015. Prizes for best race headwear, bookmaker and more.

### Mass at Gordon Cemetery

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 11am. Please bring a chair. Mass at Ballan will be held at 8.45am (no mass at St Patrick's church). Weather permitting.



## 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	<a href="http://www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au">www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au</a>
	St. Brendan's School, Dunnstown	Principal: Mr Chris Kavanagh ☎ 5334 7604	<a href="http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au">www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au</a>

### Collections last weekend

<b>Presbytery:</b>	\$176.90	<b>Parish:</b>	\$350.00
<b>Retired Priests (to date):</b>	\$905.00		

### 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](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (follow parish links.) Parish Safeguarding Officer: Leah Hanrahan.

### Parish Leadership Team Vacancies

Thanks to Leah Hanrahan and Andrew Miller-Schmetzer, who will be completing their 3-year term as members of the Parish Leadership Team in October. New representatives will be needed for Bungaree and Clarkes Hill (representatives will need to apply for Police check and Working with children check). If interested, please speak with one of the PLT: Fr Shane, Tim Bennett, Karen Cahir, Lisa Elliott, Leah Hanrahan, Chris Kavanagh, Andrew Miller-Schmetzer, Di Reynolds, Damian Ryan.

### Annual Parish Assembly

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm, Parish Centre. The Assembly will focus on gathering input for the Plenary Council 2020.

### Mass at Pootilla Cemetery

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30am. Some chairs provided; BYO if possible. Please pass on information to other people who may be interested.

### Preparation for Reconciliation

Preparation for First Reconciliation (children in Year 2 or above) begins with a Parent Workshop this Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 7.30pm, Parish Centre.

Retreat Day: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Celebration of First Reconciliation: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 5.30pm.

Children in Year 6 or above are encouraged to reflect again on this sacrament by preparing for individual reconciliation, which they will be able to celebrate during Advent. Parents of these children are also asked to attend the Parent Workshop on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

LITURGIES			
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Bungaree	9.00am	Mass
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Ballan	10.00am	Prayer Group
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Clarkes Hill	6.30pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Gordon	8.45am	
	Ballan	10.30am	

	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 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill	Springbank
Sun 8.45am	Gordon	Bungaree	Gordon	Gordon	Bungaree
Sun 10.30am	Ballan (Korobeit Sat 6.30pm ~ Creswick 8.45am ~ Daylesford 10.30am)				



Plenary Council 2020  
 'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...'

### Anniversaries

Brendan McTigue, Dorothy Conlan, Anne Rutledge, Reg Mullane, Desmond Kane, Phillip Camelleri, Kathleen Kennedy, Bronislaw Blazek, Monica Burke, Brian Britt, Leo Leonard, Eileen Ryan

### We offer our prayerful support for the sick

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

### Sabbatical for Fr Shane

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has approved study leave for Fr Shane from March to June next year. For most of this time, Fr Brian Glasheen (former parish priest of Bacchus Marsh) will be celebrating weekend masses. Other arrangements are still being finalised.

### Welcome

Welcome to Olivia Jane Tingate (daughter of Natalie and Chris), who at Mass this weekend is beginning her preparation for baptism at St. Brigid's, Ballan. We assure her and her family of our prayers and support

### Enrolment for Year 7, 2020

#### St Patrick's College:

- Weekly Tours Friday's 9-10am. To book Ph: 5322 4449 or Email: [info@stpats.vic.edu.au](mailto:info@stpats.vic.edu.au)
- Applications close: 7 December at 4pm

#### Loreto College:

- Open Day: 9.00am-12.00pm Tues Feb 5
- Info Evening: Monday, October 22, 7.00pm
- Applications close: 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2019
- Monthly Tours: ☎: 5329 6184 or 5329 6100 or email: [registrar@loreto.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@loreto.vic.edu.au). Info: [www.loreto.vic.edu.au](http://www.loreto.vic.edu.au)

#### Damascus College:

- Information Evening: Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> October, 6.30pm
- Open Morning: Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, 9-10.30am (tours every 15 mins)  
[www.damascus.vic.edu.au/prospective-open-days](http://www.damascus.vic.edu.au/prospective-open-days)

### 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](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

### Vinnies' Assist a Student

Education is the key to enabling an individual to support themselves, their families and their communities independently in the future. \$70 provides an education sponsorship to train and educate a student in one of our partner countries for a year (primary, secondary or post-secondary). You will be informed of the student's name, country and course of study. Administration costs funded by Vinnies, so 100% of your donation goes towards the student's education needs. [www.vinnies.org.au/aas](http://www.vinnies.org.au/aas)

### Anti-Poverty Week - October 14-21

Poverty and severe hardship affect more than a million Australians. Around the world more than a billion people are desperately poor. In Anti-Poverty Week, YOU can help fight poverty and hardship! Visit: [www.antipovertyweek.org.au](http://www.antipovertyweek.org.au)

### "A Mission for Life" presented by Fr Richard Leonard

Hosted by OLHC Parish, Wendouree, 29-31 Oct. Topics: "Going out into the world we need all the help we can get", "Nine steps to making better choices for my life" and "Where the hell is God - Holding on to Faith through the tough times." More info: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Joy+ Youth Festival!

Joy+ Youth Festival for 15-30yo. Sunday 25 November, Ballarat 2.00pm - 8.00pm. Fantastic music with Genevieve Bryant and her band, special guests and Bishop Paul. Free event, lunch included. Registrations and info: [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

	READER/INTERCESSIONS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	COMMUNION MINISTER	ALTAR SERVERS
20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Isaiah 53:10-11 ~ Hebrews 4:14-16 ~ Mark 10:35-45			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Dorothy Sheehan & Christine O'Loughlin	Stephen Leonard Family	Jenny McKay	Meg Cahir & Emma Dash
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Beth Calleja & Michael McCarthy	Volunteer Required	Maria Donegan	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Matthew Hall & Anne Eskdale	Mary and Des Conroy	Angela Carr & Patricia Binks	
27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Jeramiah 31:7-9 ~ Hebrews 5:1-6 ~ Mark 10:46-52			
Clarkes Hill ~ 6.30pm	Margie Moran	Kate Bennett	Margie Moran	Mowing: Dom Prendergast
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Joan Bourke & Eily Carey	Margaret Smith & Georgina Wright	Therese Winter	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Winnie Zammit & Bert Jarvis	Bridget Sims Family	Lloyd Lamb & Bert Jarvis	
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B): Deuteronomy 6:2-6 ~ Hebrews 7:23-28 ~ Mark 12:28b-34			
Dunnstown ~ 6.30pm	Trish & Nicole White	White Family	Fran Peterkin	Madalyn, Emma, Frankie
Gordon ~ 8.45am	Josie Donegan & Shane Carey	Maria & Bernadette Donegan	Volunteer Required	
Ballan ~ 10.30am	Rosemary Canavan & Marie Shanahan	Julie Dargan Family	Winnie Zammit & Angela Carr	