Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B): 3/4 August 2024

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



We are child safe Parishes, committed to safeguarding children, young people & vulnerable adults.

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BUNGAREE AND GORDON

St Peter's, Clarkes Hill ~ St Brendan's, Dunnstown ~ St Michael's, Bungaree St. Brigid's, Ballan ~ St. Patrick's, Gordon ~ St. Michael's, Springbank

Parish Priest: Fr. Justin Driscoll, Assistant Priest: Fr Matt Restall
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Parish Leadership Teams

Bungaree Parish: Damian Ryan & Chris Frawley (Bungaree) Barry Sheehan & Dianne Reynolds (Dunnstown), Dom Prendergast & Marty Forbes (Clarkes Hill).

Gordon Parish: Sue Daly & Brendan Maher (Springbank), Joan Bourke & Shane Carey (Gordon), Mark Conlan & Jim Leahy (Ballan).

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

Collections for the last fortnight will be printed in next weekend's newsletter.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 6th August at 10.30am Ballan Thursday 8th August at 10.30am Ballan (Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop) Friday 9th August at 9.30am Bungaree

Little Feet Big Footprints:

Year 6 students from St Brigid's Ballan, St Mary's Clarkes Hill, St Augustine's Creswick, St Michael's Daylesford and St Patrick's Gordon will gather at St Brigid's Ballan on Tuesday August 6th. The Year 6 students from these five Catholic Primary Schools gather on a regular basis to expand their networks, broaden their horizons and prepare them for the next step into Secondary school. On Tuesday they will gather for Mass at St Brigid's Church then spend time with Fr Justin exploring the Principles of Catholic Social Teaching (CST) - including the dignity of the human person, the common good, solidarity, subsidiarity, care for our common home, participation and preferential option for the poor. **Bishop Paul to visit the Parishes of Bungaree & Gordon**: On the weekend of August 31st - September 1st Bishop Paul will celebrate the weekend Masses at Dunnstown (6.30pm Saturday), Gordon (9.00am Sunday) and Ballan (10.30am Sunday). Parishioners of both parishes and each of the six Church communities are invited to join Bishop Paul and Fr Justin for lunch at the **Wallace Hotel from 12.30pm on Sunday September 1st.**

Aware that this is also Father's Day, and many will have family engagements, those who would like to attend the lunch are invited to contact the parish office 0492 903 409 or email either of the parishes so that a booking can be made on your behalf. The parish email addresses are: <u>bungaree@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> gordon@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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Sacrament of Eucharist – Forthcoming Dates:

We look forward to joining with our students and families for the following celebrations:

Mass of Participation Sunday: 4th August: St Patrick's Gordon @ 9:00am OR St. Brigid's Ballan @ 10.30am Mass of Participation Sunday, 11th August, St. Brigid's Ballan @ 10.30am

MASS DATES & TIMES	READER/INTERCESSION	OFFERTORY			
3/4 August 2024	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 16: 2-4, 12-15, Eph 4: 17, 20-24				
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Trish Ryan				
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised				
Ballan – 10.30 am	Winnie Zammit	Edith and Tony Paarhammer			
10/11 August 2024	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kings 19: 4-8, Eph 4: 30–5: 2				
Springbank – 6.30 pm	To be Advised				
Bungaree – 8.45 am	Damian Ryan				
Ballan – 10.30 am	Rosemary Canavan	Jim Leahy & Julie Dargan			
17/18 August 2024	20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Prov 9:1-6, Eph 5:15-2				
Dunnstown – 6.30 pm	Dorothy Sheehan				
Gordon – 9 am	To be Advised				
Ballan – 10.30 am	Lloyd Lamb	Rosemary and Michael Canavan			

LITURGIES /WEEKLY MASSES						
	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday	
Saturday 6.30pm	Dunnstown	Springbank	Dunnstown	Clarkes Hill	Springbank	
Sunday 8.45am, 9am*	Gordon*	Bungaree	Gordon*	Gordon*	Bungaree	
Sunday 10.30am	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	Ballan	
Vigil Mass ~ Pallarat East 6nm, Sunday Massas ~ Pallarat East 9am, Buningyong 10.20 am (1st 8, 2rd 8, 5th Sunday)						

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Recent Deaths: Maureen Brandenburg, Bob Salazar (Philippines)

Death Anniversaries: Joe DÁrcy, John Green, Vincent (Vince) O'Neil, Anthony (Tony) Driscoll, Carmel Grano, Clare Creaney, Frank White, Scott Dupoy, Jack Everard, Brendan Nihill, Michael Patmore, Maureen Louisa Rolls, Annie Crawley, Mervyn Britt, Jim Britt, James Rix, Frank Pearce, Barry Duffin, Margaret Frawley, Biddy Murphy, Patrick McDermott.

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, Karem Chiparra, Evelyn Farrugia, Pat Burvill, Patricia (Patty) Gannon, Ray Broach, Owen Widdison and (baby) Mia Hanrahan.

National Vocations Awareness Week: August 4-11, 2024

National Vocations Awareness Week is an annual week-long celebration dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life through prayer and education and to renewing our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations.

This celebration coincides with the feast of the country's first saint, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. During this week, you are invited to pray about how God is calling you to live out your vocation more deeply. We pray for more generous vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life for the Church in Australia. For information regarding vocations, go to https://sydneyvocations.org/events/national-vocationsawareness-week-2024-2/

Seminary Enquiry Day: You are invited to attend this event on Saturday, August 10, 2024 at Corpus Christi College Melbourne from 10.45am – 3.30pm. For more information contact the Vocations Director, Fr Dishan Candappa at vocations@cam.org.au. RSVP by Friday, August 2, 2024 to the Vocations Office at vocations@cam.org.au

St Mary MacKillop Feast Day Celebration – August 8, 2024

Vocations Prayer

Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the single and married life, consecrated life, societies of apostolic life, diocesan priesthood and permanent diaconate.

Inspire us daily to respond to Your call with boundless compassion, abundant generosity, and radical availability. Help us to remember our own baptismal call to rouse us to invite the next generation to hear and respond to Your call. Inspire parents, families and lay ecclesial ministers to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service. Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about vowed and associate commitment in apostolic life, cloistered life, evangelical life, lay ecclesial ministers, missionary life, monastic life and societies of apostolic life. *Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an* urgent need for all the baptised to live their vocation in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected, and marginalised. Amen.

If you are unable to attend the mass celebrating the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop this Thursday 8th August at 10.30am at Brigid's Ballan, Mary MacKillop Place North Sydney and the Sisters of Saint Joseph are livestreaming Mass on August 8, 2024 at 10.00am. Livestream link is: https://www.youtube.com/embed/lppmamzmOb0.

Leadership and Governance for a Synodal Church

In preparation for the Ballarat Diocesan Assembly (November 15th - 16th), formation gatherings are being held to inform and explore the focus of the Diocesan Assembly. Each of the 29 parishes of the Diocese will be invited to nominate two delegates to attend the Assembly that will be held at Federation University, Mt Clear.



Pope Francis is providing leadership for a synodal Church and the Plenary Council of the Australian Church has recognised that the practice of synodality requires greater transparency in decision making, with the appropriate participation of all the baptised, giving witness to the equal dignity of women and men. The Plenary Council has affirmed a culture of synodality for parishes and dioceses, where healthy and fruitful relationships between clergy and laity "recognise different but complementary charisms and opportunities for coresponsibility", and desire "consultative and collaborative approaches to governance

at all levels in the Church." The emphasis on listening and discernment for a synodal Church reveals how the People of God may be more centred on Christ, build healthy and respectful relationships amongst ourselves, and be effective missionary disciples in the Spirit. Members of Parish Leadership Teams, together with all interested parishioners are invited to register to attend one of the formation gatherings to be held on Sunday August 4th from 12 Noon at Ss Peter & Paul Church Buninyong and also on Tuesday August 13th from 5.00pm at OLHC Church Gillies St Wendouree. Please register your attendance with Jane Collins in the Pastoral Ministry Office, jane.collins@ballarat.catholic.org.au