



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

Mordialloc and Aspendale | Bunurong Country

EMBODYING CHRIST'S LOVE TO LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES

Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Jekot, Assistant Priest: Fr Huy Nguyen
Deacon: George Piech-Meat

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 17 November 2024

Readings for Year B: Daniel 12: 1-3 Hebrews 10: 11-14 Mark 13: 24-32



How was God with me this year?

This passage, immediately before Jesus' passion, death and resurrection, refers to the coming of the Son of Man but in an 'end times' manner that sounds strange to 21st century ears.

As we near the end of the liturgical year, we might think about the year that has passed.

At Christmas we look forward to Jesus' coming. We remember that he is called Emmanuel (God with us) (Matthew 1:23).

As we reflect back upon the year, have I given myself time to ponder in what ways that God is with me? Are there people I need to be grateful for? Use the next month to express your gratitude.

Looking both back and forward, in what ways might we be God's heart and hands in the world?

Congratulate yourself for your spiritual successes in 2024 and think about how you can best live your faith in 2025.

Patrick Jurd
Parishioner

Our Parish acknowledges that we gather, pray and live on the land of the Bunurong People of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders, past, present and emerging. We recognise their continued connection to Country, and we thank them for their role in caring for, and maintaining Country and waterways, over thousands of generations.



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Parish News



**Serve Ministers
Thank You
Luncheon**

SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER
PARISH HOUSE, MAIN ST
MORDIALLOC
12.00 - 2.00 PM

A chance to say thank you to all our wonderful Serve Ministers who help to make St Mary of the Cross such a welcoming and missionary parish. If you are a welcomer, help with a cuppa, give communion, sing in the choir, or do one of the many jobs that help our parish to run more smoothly, please join us for a light luncheon to be held in the Parish House grounds.

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME DESK FOR CATERING PURPOSES



Advent Small Groups

Our Advent small groups will begin in the week of 25 November. An opportunity to discuss and reflect on the weekly Advent Readings. Please sign up for one of the four groups at the Welcome Desk.

Mens' Fellowship Group

Our end of year dinner is being held at **7pm on Friday 27 November at Chelsea Inn (Chinese) 232 Wells Rd, Chelsea Heights**. BYO alcohol only. All men welcome. RSVP by **Fri 22 Nov** text your name to 0411075631 or email: ajallday@optusnet.com.au

November Appeal 2024



Movember funds men's health projects. It's aim is to make a difference in mental health and suicide prevention, prostate cancer and testicular cancer. Your donation could help save a father, a brother, a son, a friend, a partner, a man's life. We will have an extra collection for **MOVEMBER** next weekend **23/24 November**.



WELCOME REFUGEES INTO OUR COMMUNITY

WE NEED HELP TO ASSIST US WELCOME A REFUGEE FAMILY:

- Organise temporary accommodation
- Provide essential items & household goods
- Assist with long-term accommodation, education & employment
- Provide ongoing settlement & integration support for 12 months

Nepean Wind is a group of community-based members, from Christ Our Light (Highett & Cheltenham) and our own parish. They are seeking support to assist in welcoming a refugee family under the **Community Refugee Integration & Settlement Pilot (CRISP)**, through independent charity Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia (CRSA). Learn more about the programme, <https://refugeesponsorship.org.au/what-we-do/crisp/> Any donation to get the essential start-up funds to support the family are most appreciated. We have a collection box in the church foyers, alternatively you can donate via the codes below. Thank you for your generosity.

Donate through
"Shout for Good"
(Tax deductible)



Donate through Nepean Wind
Online Account



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 7 December - Advent Retreat

At St Brigid's church 9.00am to 12.30pm. Come and take a prayer-filled break from the hustle and bustle of Christmas. All are welcome.

Anointing Masses

Tuesday 17 December
9.15am at St Louis

Wednesday 18 December 10am
at St Brigid's.

Second Rite of Reconciliation

Wednesday 18 December
7.30pm at St Brigid's.

News and Announcements

St Vincent de Paul Aspendale Conference invites you to their

Let's Do Christmas Lunch

on Tuesday 3rd December
12pm – 2pm
in St Louis de Montfort's Church Foyer, Aspendale

Enjoy a Christmas themed lunch
with Carols performed by St Louis de Montfort's School Children.

Cost is a donation to St Vincent de Paul's Assist a Student Program
Lucky Door Prizes
Please sign up on the sheet in the Church Foyer (by Sun 1st Dec)



All Souls



We continue to pray for the souls of the faithful departed throughout November. The Memorial Book on our church altar gives parishioners the opportunity to pray for and light a candle for their loved ones who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Share the Dignity

Help make Christmas brighter for women and girls in need by making up a bag of essential items for victims of Family Domestic Violence or homelessness.



If you are able to make up a bag, please drop it off to one of our church foyers by **1 December** and we will get them to the collection point at Bunnings. Fill up a good used or new handbag with items for a Mum, Mum and baby or Teenager.

There will be brochures in the foyer that list what can be included in the bags.

Use this link for more details or to make a donation <https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/about/faqs>

Special screening of The Letter - Pope Francis' Message for our earth - this Tuesday 19 Nov.



The Parish Earthcare team will be speaking at all masses this weekend. We invite all to come together to watch a screening of "The Letter: A message for our earth" on **Tuesday 19 November at 7pm at St Louis**. Watch the short trailer [here](#).

In 2015 Pope Francis wrote a letter (encyclical) addressing the environmental crisis and its impact on earth and humanity. The Letter tells the story of a journey to Rome of frontline leaders to discuss Laudato Si with Pope Francis.

Longbeach Social Luncheon

To be held at the **Riviera Hotel, 30 Nepean Highway, Seaford** on the **20 November at 12:30pm**.

For bookings ring Patricia Adams on 0448-866-020 or Keith Reiter on 0417-350-733 or alternatively leave a message on 9772-7292.

Parish Groups

Scripture & Friendship

We are having our last gathering this coming **Tuesday 19th November**, so that the Advent group can begin.

All are welcome to come as we give thanks for our year, share in prayer and enjoy a light lunch together. Please bring a small plate to share. Note later starting time -

11am - 1pm @ Ann's home.

Ann 0425712741

Carmel 0425773608

Kidz Zone

Will be available next weekend at all masses except 8am for children 5 to 12 years.

Name tag Sunday & cuppa next week

Help yourself to a cuppa after mass and meet someone new. Feel free to bring something to share.

NEXT WEEK'S SERVE MINISTERS ROSTER - CHRIST THE KING - 23/24 NOVEMBER 2024

23/24 Nov 2024	Feast of Christ the King Readings (Yr B) Daniel 7: 13-14 Apocalypse 1: 5-8 John 18: 33-37 Cuppa Weekend						
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer
6pm (A)	Lesley-Anne Bailey	Helen Healy	Anthony Barnhoorn	Michael Barker	Sonia Williams	Ann Brennan	Berna Wake
8.00am (M)	Jane Standish	Volunteer	Jack Meyer	Joan Healy	Chris McAleer	Tony Aloysius	Josie Johnson
9.30am (A)	Brian Martin	Genevieve Martin	Mary Nayna	Ann Furlong	Ron Schneider-Loos	Trish Le Brocq	Joe Corda
11.00am (M)	Gail Bell	Peter Hannan	Helen Rocks	Juan Wilson	Philippa Pecora	Mary Ann Farren	Volunteer
Counters	Group 1	Gary & Joanne Partleton		Ron Soares			

Recently deceased:

Anniversaries: Nella Costanzo, Arthur Griffith, Antonio Paola, Sarina Paola, Eucaristica Borg, Pina Merlo, Faava Kwan-Him, Lorraine Iwanow, Maria Mota, Bill Whyte, George Dowker, Bernadette De Maskens, James Moloney, Guy Anquetil, Tammy Sullivan, Albert Weiss, Barry William Brown, Johanna (Joan) Jones, Colin Smith, Joyce Greene, Clemy Alphonso, Val Dickinson, Ellen Francis Jones, John Layton Jones, Gert Marshall, Laurie Worsnop, John McGinley, Jack Marshall, Mary Poda, Gaston Joseph, Carmen Melder, Helen Bibby, Claire Barrile, Elisabeth Gerlach, Saul Anthony Lemus, Ryan Robertson.

Praying for the sick: Fr Terry Kean, Walter Young, Julie Griffiths, Naldi Junaldi, Nik Selepak, Sophia Bicos, Steve Gobac, Therese Brown, Maureen Fitzgerald, Fernanda Barbarino, John Nicholson, Peter Waltho, Ben Quirk, Sam Finnochiaro, Anne Burke, Michelle Ives, Graham Owen, Norreen Spies, Harry Spies, Caiden Hoare, Sarah Gilbert, Brenda Cortese, Peter Baxter, Deborah Hall, Donna Cardamone, Heidi Soeding, Nancy Selby, Sr Anita Le Clerq, Desmond Dunn, Adam Taylor, Natalian Constanzo, Flynn, Maree Wesols, Veronica Wesols, Fr Kevin Tortorelli (OFM), Janice Gillette, Joseph Michaleff, Peter Shoppe, Marie Ella Bednarski, Geraldine Bennett, Phillip Morris, Charmaine Milne, Michelle Lieour, Odette Ward, Andrea Williams.

If you would like healing prayers in our Parish Bulletin or a pastoral visit: mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au

WEEKEND MASSES

St Louis Saturday 6pm
St Brigid's Sunday 8am
St Louis Sunday 9.30am
St Brigid's Sunday 11am
Our 6pm Saturday Vigil & 8am Sunday Masses are live streamed and can be accessed at:
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WEEKDAY MASSES
St Louis Mon 9.15am Communion Service, St Louis Tuesday 9.15am, St Brigid's Wed 10am, St Louis Thurs 9.15am, St Brigid's Fri 11.30am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND ROSARY

St Brigid's every Fri 10.30am
St Louis 1st Sat of the month 4.30pm

RECONCILIATION

St Brigid's Friday's 12pm
St Louis Saturday's 5.30pm

CONTACT US

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PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Fr Andrew, Fr Huy, Trish Angliss, Berna Wake

GROWING IN COMMUNITY & BELONGING AT ST MARY OF THE CROSS



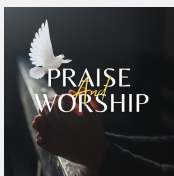
CHILDREN'S LITURGY

5 - 12-year-olds.
4th weekend of the month. All masses except 8am.



PRAYER MINISTRY

Intercessory prayer.
Last weekend of the month - all masses.



PRAISE & WORSHIP

3rd Friday of the month
7.30 - 8.30pm.
Alternates between each church.

FORMED

This Week on FORMED - The Role of Art & Beauty in the New Evangelisation:

Ode to St Cecelia

Dr Tim Gray and Paul McCusker as they discuss this interesting topic.
Go to formed.org/signup and select our parish.

**We have our own sacred artist in the parish, Kristian Tangso, who will be selling some of her work in the coming weeks.*

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and human dignity of children, young people & adults at risk in our community.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING TEAM:

Fr Andrew Jekot 03 9412 8432
Fr Huy Nguyen 03 9412 8432
Trish Angliss 0421 604 849
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Joanne Partleton 0413 133184
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