



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

EMBODYING CHRIST'S LOVE

PARISH VISION STATEMENT: We are a faith community who gather to praise and worship God. We express Christ's presence among us by reaching out to those in need with Christ's message of love and forgiveness and the promise of justice and hope for all.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 4 September 2022

Our readings are: Wisdom 9:13-18, Philemon 9-10, 12-17, Luke 14:25-33

PARISH CHURCHES:

St Brigid's,
520 Main St, Mordialloc

St Louis de Montfort's,
37 Dolphin St, Aspendale

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Andrew Jekot

ASSISTANT PRIEST:

Fr Ignatius Tan

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

**Fr Andrew, Fr Ignatius,
Berna Wake, Trish Angliss**

PARISH COORDINATOR:

Ann Fitzgerald

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03 9580 7981

Hours: Tue, Wed & Fri
9am - 4pm

Gospel Reflection

In the gospel this week Jesus tells us that ***"Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple"***. This message is challenging, we are reminded of the terrible way in which Jesus died and yet He is asking us to carry our very own cross.

Jesus wants us to be willing to give up all we love to follow him, to detach ourselves from worldly or material things; to know that sacrifices must be made, and that the path to truly follow Christ will not be an easy one. This Gospel may sound conflicting when Jesus tells us ***"If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple"***, but what Jesus is truly telling us is that nothing should stand in our way of following him. We need to reflect on this Gospel in conjunction with Jesus' commandments:

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." (Matthew 22:37-40). We must love God first, and follow Jesus first. We cannot love family, wealth, material goods more than Jesus. We need to be committed to the path of discipleship.

As we celebrate Father's Day this Sunday, we can also reflect on what Joseph sacrificed to follow God, and raise Jesus as his son, and in turn, what have we already had to let go of to follow Jesus?

Reflection based on thoughts from Young Catholics



Contact Us



Parish Website



Mass Online

PARISH LINKS:

Email

mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au

Website

m.stmaryofthecross.com

Live-streamed Mass

m.stmaryofthecross.com/mass

[Saturday 6pm](#) and [Sunday 8am](#)

Online Bulletin

m.stmaryofthecross.com/news

**We acknowledge the original owners of the land on which we gather
and their leaders - past, present and emerging.**

Parish News

Face Masks are Strongly Recommended

The use of face masks indoors and in crowded settings during this winter period is strongly recommended. **Disposable face masks are available in the church foyers.**

Father's Day Appeal This Weekend

The Priests Retirement Foundation runs its annual appeal this Father's Day weekend. To donate, please pick up an appeal envelope in the church foyer or donate online: melbournecatholic.org/foundation.

All Dad's, Grandad's, please take a blessing bookmark from our Welcome Ministers after all Masses this weekend.



Child Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

Our Parish Safeguarding Team would like to inform all Parish volunteers that it is now a safeguarding requirement for them to complete an online Essential Safeguarding Training Program. This is to make sure everyone understands the importance of child safety and our responsibilities. To access this online training go to: safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org. To login, you will need your WWCC number and your email address. **All Parish volunteers** are expected to complete this training as part of our compliance for child safeguarding and your participation will be recorded.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

The Archdiocese is committed to the safety, wellbeing and human dignity of children, young people and adults.



FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK Sept 4, 2021
NETWORK OF FREEDOM

Set in France at the beginning of World War II, this inspiring film narrates the heroic work of Sister Helene Studler, the Daughter of Charity who saved the lives of thousands of French refugees by preventing them from becoming prisoners of the Nazi forces, or freeing those who were captured. Among those she saved were many illustrious characters including the future Prime Minister of France, François de Mitterrand.



To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Baptisms this weekend at St Brigids!

We welcome into our Parish family:

Ignatius Theodore

God has you in His hands on this special day. With every little step you take, We guide you on your way.



Australian Catholics Magazine

The Autumn 2022 Parish Edition is available for collection in the foyer.

Scripture and Friendship Group

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday 13th September**. We will meet at Carmel's home in Aspendale at 10am. A time for a cuppa, a chat and discussion / reflection on the Sunday's gospel in friendship and faith. This group is open to all — come and see. For more info contact Carmel on 0425 773 608.

Would you like to help make a difference to someone in need?

St Vincent de Paul Society offers many different ways to volunteer and assist the marginalised in Society. For more information on volunteer opportunities at your local conferences in Aspendale and Mordialloc contact Susan on 0413 979 049 or scc.pres@svdp-vic.org.au

JAG News

September is the season of creation. This month, JAG and our

Parish Earthcare Group would like to highlight the

issues of our First Nations People. The Uluru Statement of the Heart is displayed in the Church Foyers for parishioners to read. JAG is also highlighting the work of the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation and asking for your support. A donation of \$50 can provide a box of books for an Indigenous family, \$500 can pay for a term of online tutoring! Donations can be made directly or via the JAG Jar and donation receipts are available upon request.



Parish News

John Paul College Companion Van

As part of our JAG commitment to supporting marginalised people in our community, members of our JAG team have volunteered to help out with the John Paul College Companion Van twice a term in Frankston. The next date we are rostered on is **Thursday 8th September 4.30pm to 7.30pm**. If you would like to help out **or** you may be able to assist with driving a ute and towing a small van, please contact Sandy Lindfield (JAG) on 0412 057 177.



Thankyou, thankyou, thankyou ... !

Can I say that once again... TYVM! To all of you who have helped me to celebrate my silver jubilee of ordination. The mass was beautiful followed by an amazing lunch hosted by Scott and Luke at St. Brigid's school hall (Thanks Wendy and Jodie). Having family and friends join parishioners was pretty special that day, which involved formalities and a sing a long that brought joy to my heart. Thank you to Berna Wake and Trish Angliss and their team that organised this day including the many video messages and shout outs. And how about that cake!!! The figure on top of the cake was a good look alike (reminder to self - get those eyes brows looked at) and the cake - delicious. I feel very loved and supported here in this amazing parish. Thank you and God bless, Fr. Andrew.

If you would like to watch the videos, Silver Jubilee video – messages and shout outs: youtu.be/SEoAMfI8lmU Fr Andrew's Silver Jubilee "Say a little prayer" 2022: youtu.be/a646zcPtp10,



Thank You for Supporting Catholic Mission 2022

Propagation of the Faith Appeal

Thank You! Your support of this year's Appeal for the Propagation of the Faith enables Church workers in 1047 mission dioceses to offer Good News to their local communities. Thank you for contributing to the amount of \$1,051.00 which was raised by St Mary of the Cross community for Catholic Mission. Our partnership with local churches in over 160 countries is dependent upon the prayerful and financial support of many. Your support this year will enable Catholic Mission to provide nutrition programs in Ethiopia, along with scholarships for rural children and pastoral care and vocational training for women in Meki. THANK YOU.

We wish all our parishioners a Blessed Fathers' Day as they celebrate those who fulfil this dedicated and loving role in their lives today.

DEAR LORD,
please bless our
fathers, today &
always.
Watch over them and
keep them from
harm's way. Hold each
& every one of them
in the
palm of Your hand,
blessing them in
abundance with Your
strength, Your joy
& Your undying
love. In Jesus'
name we pray.
Amen



Recently Deceased

Anniversaries

Joseph Antonios, Virgilio Arcilla, Blossom Baldery, Alan Brereton, Agnes Bugden, Don Byrnes, Mary Carroll, Mary Coen, Ethel Cecilia Coghlan, Maureen Cuskelly, George D'Cunha, Kathleen Mary Doherty, James Doran (snr), Margaret Dow, Curtis Drenen, Beryl D'Sylva, Freda Fernandez, Eileen Hannan, Bert Hodgkinson, Trish Hone, Morris Joseph, Roma Kampf, Marc Licciardo, John Martin, Denise McMahon, Dr Peter Nelson, Terence Partleton, June Rosina Phippen, Dennis Porter, Fr Michael Quigley, Ken Raphael, Robert Reid, Maureen Reidy, Alec Rodrigues, Lena Saccio, Maria Scardoni, Dirk Senn, Letetia Sheehan, Frederick Summerton, Vincenta Vella, Fr Tom White

Healing Prayers Asked For

Carly Gordon, Lindsey Edwards, Therese Brown, Danielle Spence, Giulie Waddell, John Nicholson, Josie Wood, George Caruana, Sophia Bicos, Evararad Augustine, Michael Moore, Peter Hopkins, Bridie Duggan, Peter Grove, Dermot Duggan, Minnie Joseph, Sharon Stevenson, Lisa Downing, Maureen Hepburn, Srijana Shakya, Jan Mitula, Helen Pedrazzini, Ian Anderson, Serena Zienau, Michele Ives, Pat McDonald, Oonagh Duggan, Sam Finnochiaro, MaryJane Duffy, Lynch family, O'Shannessy family, Stone Family

Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, and vulnerable people in our community.

All Parish volunteers require a current Working With Children Check and have read and signed our Child Safety Code of Conduct.
Copies are available on our Parish Website and at our Parish Office.
For any concerns please contact our Child Safeguarding Team:

Fr Andrew Jekot ... 03 9412 8432	Judy Dickinson ... 0407 865 522
Fr Ignatius Tan ... 03 9412 8432	Susan Dornom ... 0413 979 049
Trish Angliss ... 0421 604 849	Joanne Partleton ... 0413 133 184
Louise Breslin ... 0415 963 799	Robyn Worsnop ... 0412 814 592
Joe Corda ... 0407 354 568	

Next Week's Serve Ministers' Roster

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 11 September 2022				
Readings (Year C): Exodus 32:7-11, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-32				
10th & 11th Sep	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	Pauline Parker	Jane Standish	Martin Newington	Gail Bell
Commentator	Marie Seddon	Barry Wheeler	Elizabeth Newington	Judy Lamb
Special Minister	Mick Barker	Fred Burns	Ann Furlong	Helen Rocks
Welcomers	Carmel Barker Berna Wake	Odette Budge	Jon Searle Niko Tovia	MaryAnn Farren Vanessa Fernandes
Counters	Bern & Geoff Terrell, Susan Dornom			
Sacristan	Marie Medicott	Fred Burns	Susan Dornom	Glenice Laughlin
Welcomers' please note this is a 'cuppa' weekend, we appreciate your help. Parishioners are invited to bring a plate to share.				
If you are unavailable on your rostered day please arrange a replacement and contact the Parish Office on 9580 7981 to inform us of the change.				

✠ In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge. ✠



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**If you know of anyone who
needs prayers or a pastoral
visit please contact the
Parish Office**

PARISH MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS:

Saturday

6pm (Vigil) St Louis', Aspendale

Sunday

8am - St Brigid's, Mordialloc

9.30am - St Louis', Aspendale

11am - St Brigid's, Mordialloc

WEEKDAYS:

Monday (Communion Service)
9.15am - St Louis',

Tuesday 9.15am - St Louis',

Wednesday 10am - St Brigid's,

Thursday 9.15am - St Louis'

Friday 11.30am - St Brigid's

RECONCILIATION

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

PARISH SCHOOLS



St Brigid's School,
129 Albert St, Mordialloc
9580 4518

sbmord.catholic.edu.au

St Louis de Montfort's School,
37 Dolphin St, Aspendale
9580 5169

stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au



Support
our Parish



KIDZ ZONE
CALLING ALL 4-10 YR OLDS
JOIN US EVERY 4TH SUNDAY

Our Parish Mission



Love God, Love Others,
Make Disciples