



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

Mordialloc and Aspendale | Bunurong Country

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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 28 July 2024

Our Readings for Year B: 2 Kings 4: 42-44; Ephesians 4: 1-6; John 6: 1-15



Bread of Life

In this week's gospel, Jesus performs the miracle of feeding the five thousand with five loaves and two fish. This passage emphasises God's ability to transform scarcity into abundance. Jesus' compassion for the crowd highlights His deep care for both physical and spiritual needs. The boy's willingness to share his small meal reflects a simple yet powerful faith, showing that our humble offerings can be used for great purposes.

This miracle also foretells Jesus as the "bread of life," offering eternal nourishment. It encourages us to trust in God's provision and reminds us of the importance of generosity and community. By sharing what we have, no matter how little, we participate in God's work of blessing others. Reflect on how you can offer your own "loaves and fishes" with faith, trusting that God will use them to create abundance.

Tanya Stefanec
St. Louis' School Deputy Principal and
Wellbeing Leader

Our 6pm Saturday Vigil & 8am Sunday Masses are live streamed and can be accessed at:
m.stmaryofthecross.com/mass

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.

Announcements



BIBLE STUDY - Unlocking the mystery of the Bible

Would you like to read the Bible but get lost in the fog of the Old Testament?

Unlocking the mystery of the Bible is an 8-part Bible study to help you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture and get the “big picture” of the Bible.

When: August 13th to October 1st.

Where: Upper Room, St Brigid's Church, Mordialloc

Time: 6.30pm start: 8pm finish, comprising 30 minutes of fellowship and refreshments, 30-minute video and 30 minutes of discussion.

Course Length: Every Tuesday for 8 weeks.

Register with the QR code or contact **Emily Wisniewski** (emwisnie@gmail.com)



Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking Humans - RUN MELBOURNE - THANKS

Fr Andrew ran last Sunday to help raise crucial funds for ACRATH to support their mission to eliminate human trafficking (modern slavery) and the harm it causes. Thanks to your generous support he has raised well over his target of \$5000 but you still have a chance to support him by donating online at:

<https://runmelbourne24.grassrootz.com/acrath/andrew-jekot>

OR collection boxes are at both churches for any cash donations.



Reach out. Give life.

Catholic Mission thanks the parish of St Mary of the Cross

for our support of this year's Propagation of the Faith Appeal. Our generosity has empowered Church workers across 1047 mission dioceses, allowing them to spread the message of hope and love within their local communities. Our contribution of **\$1,584.00** has been most gratefully received.

New Serve Ministry roster for our weekend masses

Please let the office know if you are going to be away during September to December, as the new roster is currently being finalised. Also, if you are interested in joining the team of readers, special ministers and welcomers, please let **Ann in the office know on 9580 7981**. If you would like to know more about our Serve Ministries, please pick up a copy of our Serve Ministry booklet in the church foyers or online at our [parish website](#).



Communion for those in Aged Care

We are asking for people to step forward to assist with taking Holy Communion to the residents at Parkdale House, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday's of the month at 10am.

If you can help, please contact **Marie Seddon on 0411 352 084**.



Congratulations to **Jess and Vin Costanzo** on the occasion of their **70th Wedding Anniversary** on the **24th July**.

May the Lord continue to bless your health and love for each other.

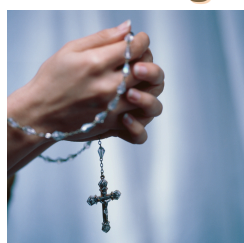
Growing in Community and Belonging at St Mary of the Cross



Children's Liturgy.
4-10-year-olds.
4th weekend of
the month.



Praise & Worship.
3rd Friday of
the month
7.30-8.30pm.



Rosary & Adoration.
1st Saturday of the
month 4.30-5.30pm
St. Louis'.



Scripture & Friendship.
2nd & 4th Tuesday
of the month
10-11.30am.



Prayer Ministry.
Intercessory prayer.
last weekend of the
month - all masses.

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“Come and See” - RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Information Session



Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic? Are you wanting to develop a relationship with Jesus? Are you seeking a welcoming community in which to explore your faith?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, you are invited to attend an information session about the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This is a journey of faith leading up to reception into the Catholic Church and the Parish of St Mary of the Cross. Parishioners will accompany and support you on this journey.

The information session will take place at **7:30 pm Wednesday 7 August** St. Louis' Church, 37 Dolphin St, Aspendale 3195.

For further details or to indicate you wish to attend, please contact the Parish Office: 9580 7981.

JAG - Fundraiser for Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project



Our **JAG group** is running a **Silent Online Auction** in **August** to raise money for the **Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project**. This will be our big fundraiser for BASP for this year. We have held this auction in the past and raised approximately \$10,000. Can you help? We need donations of artwork, new books, vouchers, plants, craftwork, gifts, toys, etc. Items can be collected or dropped off at the Parish Office. Contact **Maree on 0407 376 505 by 12th August** if you have anything to donate. We are hoping to have around 30 items to auction.

National Vocations Awareness Week

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.



Baptism Celebrations at St. Louis this weekend at 11.00am

We welcome into our parish family

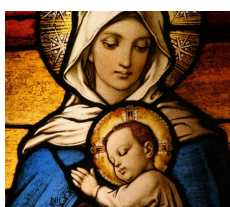
Henry Philip and Karl Julius

*God has you in his hands on this special day. With every step you take,
He guides you on your way*

John Paul College Companion Van

We are looking for a few more volunteers for the John Paul College Companion Van. The next date that our Parish is manning the van is **Tuesday 6 August**. The hours you are required are from **4.30-6.30pm**. The van goes to Frankston where it provides toasted sandwiches, tea and coffee and a few essentials to the homeless and needy in the area.

If you are able to give of your time, please call **Sandy on 0412 057 177**.



Holy Rosary and Adoration

All are welcome for Holy Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday 3 August** from **4.30-5.30pm at St. Louis' Church**. Reconciliation will be offered at 5.30pm, & our Saturday Vigil Mass is at 6.00pm.



This Week on FORMED

A Bible study on the Luminous Mysteries: The Transfiguration (Part 4)

Have you ever wanted to grow in your devotion and understanding of the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. Join Dr Ben Akers & Dr Elizabeth Klein as they help you to enter more deeply into its richness

Go to formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Next Week's Serve Ministers Roster - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 3/4 August 2024

3 / 4 August	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings Year B : Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15 Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24 John 6: 24-35							
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer	Sacristan
6pm (A)	Ann Brennan	Patrick Jurd	Sonia Williams	Michael Barker	Volunteer	Berna Wake	Carmel Barker	Marie Medlicott
8.00am (M)	Barry Wheeler	Krystyna Wrzesinski	Jane Standish	Stephen Pooley	Jack Meyer	Carole Guthrie	Jack Guthrie	Vo Johnson
9.30am (A)	Gen Martin	Brian Martin	Felice Cortese	Elizabeth Newington	Volunteer	Norma Taylor	Ann Furlong	Tony Allday
11.00am (M)	Mark Carazzo	Judy Lamb	Juan Wilson	Philippa Pecora	Vikki Fitzgerald	Mary Ann Farren	Vanessa Fernandes	Glenice Laughlin
Counters	Group 5	Aileen Dynes	Anthony Barnhoorn					

RECENTLY DECEASED: Pam Ulbrick (St Louis), Rosemary Ryan (sister of Fr Barry Ryan dec.).

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Della Dalton, Danielle Gassin, Johnny Williams, Joseph Genovese, Issa Rizk, Deidre Hunter, Anne Pinder, Jack Murphy, Brian Bellamy, Herbert Cumberbatch, Queenie Lucas, Jack Brennan, Teresa Healy, Norah Dornom, Florina Fernandes, Hans Matse, Filomena Camerino, Anne Green, Jack Heffernan, May Heffernan, Maria Licciardo, Mercy Baby, Jim Kearney, Marie Wilson, K. Alexander, Apolonio Gutierrez, Ted Headland, Kunjamma Mathai, Taylor Sutton, Angelo Viecei, Marianna Costantino, Maria Di Trocchio, Ivan Trbusic, Dawn Musster, Rene O'Connor, Fr Frank McGauley, Julio Muzlera, Airina Coutinho, Kerrin White.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE SICK OR UNDERGOING MEDICAL PROCEDURES AND TREATMENTS: Fr Terry Kean, Walter Young, Julie Griffiths, Naldi Junaldi, Nik Selepak, Sophia Bicos, Steve Gobac, Fernanda Barbarino, Valerie O'Hara, John Nicholson, Therese Brown, Peter Waltho, Sam Finnochiaro, Anne Burke, Michelle Ives, Graham Owen, Norreen Spies, Harry Spies, Caiden Hoare, Sarah Gilbert, Peter Baxter, Deborah Hall, Donna Cardamone, Heidi Soeding, Ben Quirk, Bernadette Carr, Nancy Selby, Sr Anita Le Clerq, Ray Martin, Giulie Waddell, Desmond Dunn.

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

Mass Times

Weekend Masses



Saturday: 6pm Vigil Mass (St. Louis')
 Sunday: 8am Mass (St. Brigid's)
 Sunday: 9.30am Mass (St. Louis')
 Sunday: 11am Mass (St. Brigid's)

Weekday Masses

Monday: 9.15am Communion Service (St. Louis')
 Tuesday: 9.15am Mass (St. Louis')
 Wednesday: 10am Mass (St. Brigid's)
 Thursday: 9.15am Mass (St. Louis')
 Friday: 11.30am Mass (St. Brigid's)

Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Rosary



Friday 10.30am St. Brigid's
 and 1st Saturday of the month
 St Louis' 4.30pm

Reconciliation



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

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Parish Coordinator

Ann Fitzgerald

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Deb Poynton - 0403 471 931

Parish Leadership Team: Fr Andrew,
 Fr Ignatius, Trish Angliss, Berna Wake

Parish Schools

St. Brigid's - 9580 4518

sbmord.catholic.edu.au

St. Louis de Montfort's -
 9580 5169

stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au

Parish House - 03 9412 8432

Parish Office - 03 9580 7981

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

Our Child Safeguarding Team:

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 Fr Ignatius Tan 03 9412 8432
 Trish Angliss 0421 604 849
 Louise Breslin 0415 963 799
 Joe Corda 0407 354 568
 Joanne Partleton 0413 133184
 Robyn Worsnop 0412 814 592
 Helen Healy 0498 178 899

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