



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 Ignatius Tan,
Deacon George Piech-Meat**

28 April 2024 - Fifth Sunday in Easter

Our readings are from Year B: Acts 9:26-31, 1 John 3:18-24, John 15:1-8



*I am the vine,
you are the
branches.
John 15:5*

Gospel Reflection

The vine is the lifeline for the branches. If branches are cut off from the vine, they die. Jesus is our lifeline and he often works through the people in our life.

Who do you know that acts as an emotional lifeline for you? Who gives you life and support and strength?

The Scriptures tell us that those who live in Jesus do good work and bear much fruit. Do you know people who clearly live in Jesus and are doing good work? What are they like? How do you know they are living in Jesus? What good work do they do? How can you be more like them?

Jesus says that if his words are living within us, whatever we ask for in prayer shall be granted. What does it mean to have Jesus' words living within us? If his words are truly living within us, then what would our prayer be like?

Please remember all our armed services
men and women -
Lest we forget.

Wendy Sullivan
St. Brigid's School Principal

**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.

Parish Announcements

Please note that Communion service will replace mass on Thursday 2nd May at St. Louis' 9.15am. All welcome.



St. Louis de Montfort Feast Day 28 April

"If you put all the love of all mothers into one heart it would still not equal the love of the Heart of Mary for her children."

Mass on **Tuesday 30th April at 9.15am** will be held in St. Louis' School Hall celebrating the Feast of St. Louis De Montfort. All welcome.

We welcome the children from St. Brigid's school (Foundation & Year 6 only) at the **10am Parish Mass next Wednesday (1st May)**.

Parish Novena

Parishioners are invited to join Martin & Elizabeth Newington for a 30-minute Novena in preparation for Pentecost. The event will be conducted at St. Louis' church commencing at 10.15am and will be conducted during the period **7th May to 17th May**, excluding the weekends 11 & 12th of May. Please contact Martin on 0493499032 if you wish to attend.



Alpha

Please pray for every guest who is currently doing Alpha in our parish. Pray that each person will find a space where they can connect with one another and connect with Jesus. Pray for courage for those inviting friends and family to attend our **next** Alpha series, which we plan for **September 2024**.

Let's do Mother's Day - Aspendale's St. Vincent de Paul Conference invites you to:

High Tea on **Tuesday 7th May, 12pm-2pm**, in St. Louis' Church Foyer. Enjoy a special High Tea Lunch with a Mothers' Day themed quiz and spot prizes. All welcome – it's not just for mothers. Cost is a donation to St Vincent de Paul's Assist a Student Program. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.



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New Parishioners Welcome Morning

SATURDAY 11 MAY 10-11AM
PARISH HOUSE MAIN STREET, MORDIALLOC

A special welcome event for those who are new to St Mary of the Cross or have been visiting for a while but haven't formally connected with our community. Our New Parishioners Welcome Morning is a chance to learn more about our Parish Mission Plan, explore ways you can get involved in our Serve Ministries whilst chatting and mingling over morning tea with our Parish Leadership Team and some other parishioners. We would love to see you there!



Register here



Annual Mass Attendance

The Archdiocese requests a weekend mass attendance count from all parishes annually. This will take place over the 4 weekends of 4-5 May, 11-12 May, 18-19 May and 25-26 May.



Our Scripture & Friendship Group

will meet on **April 30 and May 14** at Ann's home: 47 Gothic Rd Aspendale. All are welcome to join as we discuss Sunday's Gospel. We start with a cuppa at 10am and conclude at 11.30am.



Holy Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration

takes place on the 1st Saturday of the month from 4.30-5.30pm at St. Louis' Church. All are welcome on **Saturday 4 May**.

Announcements

Brigidine Asylum Seekers BASP Online Trivia Night

The fundraiser will be held at St. Mary's Hampton Friday 3 May 7.30pm – 9.40pm. Booking and more information cohdig.au/trivia

Are you being called to serve?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **4 May 2024 Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne. Any enquiries contact diaconate@cam.org.au or 9412 3327.



Catholic Care Victoria Sunday Appeal 4 & 5 May

CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. The services include counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations can be made using the appeal envelope available in our parish, online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.



Opportunity to reach out and help others

The Food Van run by the students at John Paul College Frankston which provides a hot cuppa, food and companionship to the homeless and marginalised people in Frankston are looking for 4 volunteers

to cover the nightly shift on **Thursday 23rd May – from 4.30pm – 7.00pm**. If you would like to be involved please contact Sandy Lindfield on 0412057177.

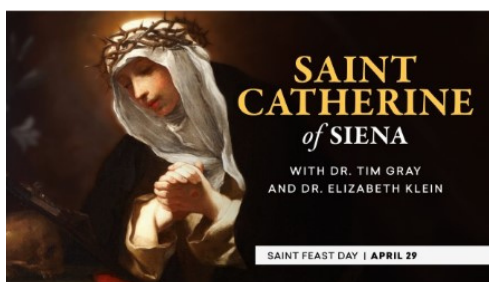


Baptism Celebrations at St. Louis' this weekend

We welcome into our parish family:

Gracie Rose, Ivy Charlotte, Isla Bhey, Harper Pia and Kobe Musembi.

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



This week on FORMED - St. Catherine of Siena

In light of St. Catherine of Siena's Feast Day on April 29, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein, as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influence who became a doctor of the Church. Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



Are you a Serve Minister at St Mary of the Cross?



Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

All Serve Ministers are required to have/complete the following items:

1. Have a current Working with Children Check.
2. Sign the Code of Conduct Declaration.
3. Complete the online training.

These items must be submitted to the Parish Office before you commence serving in our ministries.

Members of our Safeguarding Team will be happy to help you with any of these requirements.

Please contact a member of the Child Safeguarding Team; details on the back page.

Next Week's Serve Ministers Roster - 6th Week of Easter 4th and 5th May 2024.

4/5 May	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Readings (Year B) Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48				1 John 4:7-10	John 15:9-17		
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer	Sacristan
6pm (A)	Marg De Vries	Carmel Grace	Anthony Barnhoorn	Bernie Stuart	Carmel Barker	Janice Hughes	Tom Hughes	Susan Dornom
8.00am (M)	Jane Standish	Graham Jones	Chris McAleer	Jack Meyer	Volunteer	Joan Healy	Odette Budge	Pamela Shanley
9.30am (A)	Brenda O'Leary	Martin Newington	Ann Furlong	Maureen Wraight	Ron Schneider-Loos	Norma Taylor	Patricia Le Brocq	Tony Allday
11.00am (M)	Peter Hannan	Dianne Wain	Gail Bell	Juan Wilson	Peter Hannan	Paula Rodrigues	Wenceslaus Rodrigues	Glenice Laughlin
Counters	Group 2	Helen Rocks	Kelvin Rocks					

RECENTLY DECEASED: Myrtle Strange, Pamela Menon (Nelson Popley's sister), Marina Ferrer (mother of Marlene Tangso and grandmother of Kristian)

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Colin Ferguson, Grace Birch, Frances Carrick, Harold Smith, Donald Dunstall, Pierre Joshua, Babu Abraham, Alice Conlon, Doug Hallam, Matteo Camerino, Georges Louis, Jose De La Luz Amaya Diaz, Alice Dickinson, Euria Gutierrez, Salvatore Costanzo, Shirley Le Breton, Doreen Power, Remo Castenetto, Gwendolene Balm, Margaret Hickey, Chris Wragg, Gregory Costa, Lucy Costa, Mary Porter, Bill O'Connor, George Le Brocq, Charles Cromer, George Hannan, Kevin Campion, Mark Payton, Dylan Walker, Pierre Kennan, Anna Cortese, Maud Smith, Catherine Williams, Peter Taylor, Lilian White, Mary Crowe, Thomas Maher, Brian Juliff, Andrew Casey, Norm North, Norma North.

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, Fernanda Barbarino, Sophia Bicos, Valerie O'Hara, John Nicholson, Therese Brown, Peter Waltho, Steve Gobac, Michelle Ives, Graham Owen, Norreen Spies, Harry Spies, Caiden Hoare, Sarah Gilbert, Sam Finnochiaro, Pam Ulbrick, Anne Burke, Peter Baxter, Deborah Hall, Donna Cardamone.

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 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

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Our Child Safeguarding Team:

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