



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.*

16th Ordinary Sunday – 18th July 2021

Our readings are: **JEREMIAH 23: 1-6; EPHESIANS 2: 13-18; MARK 6: 30-34**

PARISH CHURCHES:

**St Brigid's,
520 Main St, Mordialloc
& St Louis de Montfort's,
37 Dolphin St, Aspendale**

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Andrew Jekot

PARISH SECRETARIES:

**Susan Dornom
Monday, Thursday & Friday
Ann Fitzgerald
Tuesday & Wednesday**

PARISH HOUSE:

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9580 7981

*Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Friday
9am-4.30pm*

PARISH EMAIL:

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PARISH WEBSITE:

**[www.melbcatholic.org/
mordialloc-aspendale](http://www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale)**



Gospel Reflection:

As we all know life can be hectic going from one thing to another without time to look after ourselves. We know the saying "all work and no play makes one a dull person". Perhaps as followers of Christ, we can rephrase it to "all work and no pray makes us a soul-less person".

The kind of rest that Jesus referred to Mark's Gospel this weekend, was not only a physical rest but also a chance to "recharge" the spiritual batteries.

I can remember my first ever semi-silent retreat at a beachside location not far from our parishes. It was only a 3 day retreat in which I had the chance to be "distracted" from the world outside. I still recall clearly that after the retreat while at the petrol station filling up I did notice how fast-paced and noisy life on the outside was. The retreat gave me a chance to slow down and be lost in time being in prayer and silence.

The apostles following Jesus realised how busy ministry can be. Even with their zeal, it was important to look after themselves, physically and spiritually. Look after one's health is equally important. They were so busy they had no time even to eat! You cannot live on bread alone, but we do need bread to journey on! After all, the advice from Jesus was given in the context of and after feeding the hungry 5,000 people that followed him around.

When we do return to our work or ministry, an important point for us to consider too is how important for our work to be accompanied with prayer. They go well together because our work and day is sanctified.

May we draw common sense from the Gospel to avoid the extremes of starving ourselves of the physical and spiritual food and rest we all need.

Deacon Hoang

REST FOR A WHILE

Mark 6:30-34

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Parish News:

Opening the Doors to Christ's Love

We have concluded our initial 4-week series of presentations outlining plans to journey towards a missionary disciple led parish. Our new parish mission is to Love God, Love Others and Make Disciples.

All of the presentations have been post recorded and you can watch them at these links: (the links are also available on our parish website)

Week 1 What is the status of the Australian Church today and our parish?

<https://youtu.be/kzw90PCBHQQ>

Week 2 The Great Commission of Jesus. Where we are being called.

<https://youtu.be/w93E3rj5Bbg>

Week 3 The Five Foundation's of a healthy, fruitful missionary discipleship parish.

<https://youtu.be/7ly30Bu8zTg>

Week 4 Organising for change. Our Serve Ministries and the way forward.

<https://youtu.be/Vdbr9NaHGsl>

This is the beginning of our exciting way forward. I will continue to update you on our progress, particularly as we start the work on assessing the 5 Foundations. The actions arising from these assessments will form the basis of many new initiatives in the coming months and years. I encourage every member of our parish to be a part of our parish mission by serving in one of our ministries. Sign up sheets for roles in the 5 Ministry areas are in the church foyers and there is a booklet to take home with a sign up sheet included.

Fr Andrew



JAG Guest Speaker Night: that was planned for August has been cancelled. JAG hopes to hold a Guest Speaker Night with a similar theme early next year. More details next year.



Refugee Support: At the JAG Meeting last Wednesday it was decided that JAG would help support a Refugee family being supported by BASP (Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project) who has recently moved into the area. Initially it will be with a \$200 donation. Anyone who would like to make a donation to JAG can do so via the **JAG Jar** in the Church Foyer.

For more information contact **Sandy 0412 057 177**



St Vincent de Paul Mordialloc: would like to say a big **Thank You** to **St Brigid's School Community** for their support of the Winter Appeal recently. St Vincent de Paul's Pantry is now fully stocked and they have plenty of items ready to be given to

people that they visit and assist in this area.

Anyone needing assistance from St Vincent de Paul Society can call: **1800 305 330**



Men's Gathering: Registration for the 2021 Australian Catholic Men's Gathering on 31st July is now open. There will be over 1,000 online participants from all over the country. To learn more about this event and to register go to:

www.catholicmensgathering.com.au



Parish News:

Opening the Doors Changes: *The fourth and final presentation titled "Opening the Doors to Christ's love" last Tuesday was an opportunity for you all to indicate where you would like to be involved in parish life. We have heard that being actively involved is not about what you can for me but what you can do for God. This is an exciting time for the parish to grow wider as disciples and welcome others into the parish.*

I would like to share with you some decisions I have made as part of this change from a maintenance based parish to a missionary based parish. Introducing a Senior Leadership Team (SLT) consisting of 3 people employed to support me and the parish as we move forward. This change is yet to be finalised, when it is I will announce who they are and explain more about their role. I am excited about this way forward to assist me in bringing about the best version of our parish as possible.

*Changes in the office mean that the traditional parish secretarial role will become redundant. I am endeavouring on employing a Parish Coordinator whose role will be to continue managing the financial aspects of parish life as well as oversee the new volunteer roles of newsletter, rosters, baptism coordination etc. Unfortunately this does mean that our two secretaries **Susan Dornom** and **Ann Fitzgerald** will conclude their employment as parish secretaries on **30th July**. Susan has been in the role since August 2010 and Ann since October 2017. I am indebted to them both for their faithfulness to their role and I thank them for all that they have done for the parish. The new Parish Coordinator role is currently being advertised through the Archdiocesan website and applications close mid July.*

I ask for your prayers at this time as we undergo a time of transition. I ask our patron saints St. Mary of the Cross, St. Brigid and St. Louis for their intercession as we "Open the Doors to Christ's love."

Fr Andrew

Thank You from Our Parish Secretaries: *Susan & Ann would like to thank all the parishioners for their kind words, prayers and support at this difficult time for them. They have really enjoyed their time as your Parish Secretaries and are very disappointed that they are now unable to continue in this role. Please keep us in your prayers. **Susan & Ann***



Next Week's Roster:

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 24th & 25th July 2021: READERS - please see Father before Mass			
Our readings are: 2 KINGS 4: 42-44; EPHESIANS 4: 1-6; JOHN 6: 1-15			
6PM MASS	Reader Debra Searle Commentator Helen Healy Special Minister Carmel Jamieson Welcomers: Debbie Poynton, Annette Brilliant	8AM MASS	Reader Liz O'Farrell Commentator Jane Standish Special Minister Fred Burns Welcomers: Stephanie Carino, Anthony Antoniou
9.30AM MASS	Reader Felice Cortese Commentator Maureen Wraight Special Minister Elizabeth Newington Welcomers: Niko Tovia, Mary Nayna	11AM MASS	Reader Bernadette Bouvier Commentator Gail Bell Special Minister Louise Breslin Welcomers: Lucy Cameron, Vanessa Fernandes
Counters: Aspendale: Joanne & Gary Partleton		Mordialloc: Mike Love & Tony Medlicott	



PLEASE NOTE All volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check and should have read and signed a copy of our Child Safety Code of Conduct.

Copies are available at the Church or on our website. For any concerns about Child Safety issues please contact our **Child Safeguarding Team:**



Fr Andrew Jekot 9412 8432	Susan Dornom 0413 979 049	
Trish Angliss 0421 604 849	Louise Breslin 0415 963 799	Judy Dickinson 0407 865 522
Joanne Partleton 0413 133 184	Deb Poynton 0403 471 931	Robyn Worsnop 0412 814 592

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Recently Deceased:

Marshall Gray (Mordialloc)
Dorothy Taylor (wife of Albert)
Nelle Rafter (Aspendale)

Anniversaries: Rosina Hauser, Angelina Drummond, Alfio Licciardino, Keith Sowden, Harriet Drinan, Eileen Maguire, Eileen Kavanagh, Sr Digna AC, Joan Byrne, Greg Corda, Paddy & Pat Davey, Peg Hallam, Tessie Myles-Kellett, Ted McMahon, Debbie & Jack Egan, Evelyn Bibby, Anne Snelgrove, Dorothy Cresswell, Nicholas Mercer, Robert Panton, Aileen Rowe, Kathleen Hirst, Frances Morgan, Judith (Bobbie) Panton, Ramon Reed, Antony Saliba.

Healing Prayers Asked For: Jarrod Le Brocq, Peter Waltho, Antonio Delprete, Lindsey Edwards, Laura Bruder, Liam Campbell, Patricia Carrazzo, David Marshall, Helen Pedrazzini, Peter Spencer, George Caruana, Salvatore (Sam) Finocchiaro, Bernadette Munro, Maureen Hepburn. *(If you know of anyone who needs prayers or a pastoral visit please contact the Parish Office.)*



Baptisms: There is a Baptism Service on this Sunday at 12.30pm at St Louis'. We welcome you in to our Parish family:

CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK

Parish Masses:

MASSES CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK.

STREAMING

ONLINE

LIVE

Due to the state wide 5 day lockdown there will be no Masses this week. Mass will be livestreamed from **St Louis'** at **6pm on Saturday** and will be available to be viewed online from any time after this.

Go to <https://youtu.be/oU1fSawon3g> or go to our website www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale or search You Tube for 'Catholic Mass with Fr Andrew'.

TAKE CARE AND STAY SAFE.



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PARISH MASS TIMES:

WEEKENDS: *(QR Coding essential)*

Saturday:

6pm (vigil) St Louis'

Sunday:

8am - St Louis', Mordialloc

9.30am - St Louis', Aspendale

11am - St Brigid's, Mordialloc

WEEKDAYS: *(QR Coding essential)*

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 12noon - St Brigid's,

Saturday 5.30pm - St Louis'

BAPTISM BOOKINGS
through Parish Office
9580 7981

PARISH SCHOOLS:

St Brigid's School,

129 Albert St,

Mordialloc

9580 4518

www.sbmord.catholic.edu.au

St Louis de Montfort's School,

37 Dolphin St,

Aspendale

9580 5169

www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au



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



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