



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.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 7 August 2022

Our readings are: Wisdom 18:6-9, Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19, Luke 12:32-48

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 Hoang Dinh

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Fr Andrew, Fr Hoang,

Berna Wake, Trish Angliss

PARISH COORDINATOR:

Ann Fitzgerald

BAPTISM COORDINATOR:

Deb Poynton - 0403 471 931

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PARISH HOUSE:

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PARISH OFFICE:

03 9580 7981

Hours: Tue, Wed & Fri

9am - 4pm



Contact Us



Parish Website



Mass Online

PARISH LINKS:

mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au

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

Live-streamed Mass

m.stmaryofthecross.com/mass
Saturday 6pm and Sunday 8am

m.stmaryofthecross.com/news

Gospel Reflection

Be as servants, wide awake at the return of their master. Luke 12:32-48

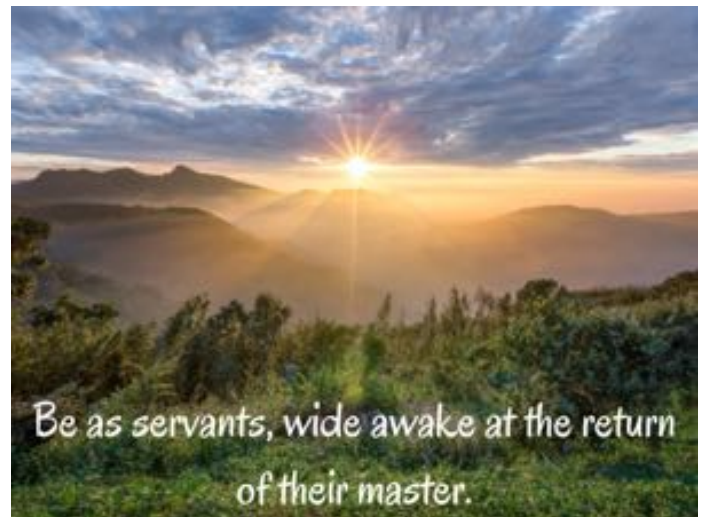
In the middle of Ordinary Time we discover a theme normally associated with the end of the liturgical year and the season of Advent – vigilance in anticipation of the return of the master. This vigilance demands that we live lives of faith. We do not know when God will open the door of our existence and call us into a deeper realisation of the sacred dimension of life itself. Vigilance is a characteristic of a Christian at all times, for all times. We must be ever vigilant.

While we live in the expectation of the coming of God in the future, we also live now in the presence of God. This means that God is present with us now, as a companion in our lives. It also means that this presence is

the context within which our lives unfold. However, until all things are brought to fulfilment, we live in this presence by faith. Faith and hope are intimately joined. As believers we are called to trust in the promises of God, even when what is promised seems impossible.

We are assured that we will be blessed, but we can never be sure of the exact nature of the blessing. In faith, we put our trust in God and then carry out our responsibilities. In faith we wait for the Lord, who is our help and our shield, not really knowing under what guise he will come to us. Faith is both the cost of living as a disciple and the reward.

*Reflection taken from Diane Burgant
Tanya Stefanec st Louis Primary School*



**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 in indoor and crowded settings during this winter period is strongly recommended. Face masks remain optional within Places of Worship, however parishioners are encouraged to wear one.

Disposable face masks are available in the church foyers.



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PICK OF THE WEEK

August 7, 2022

EDITH STEIN: THE SEVENTH CHAMBER

During this very special week for the Augustine Institute, we celebrate both our patron, St. Augustine, and his mother, St. Monica! As a preeminent Doctor of the Church, Augustine has been said to be "the holiest of the wise and the wisest of the holy." To celebrate this great Church Father, please enjoy Augustine: A Voice for all Generations!



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

August Scripture and Friendship Group Meetings

The next Scripture and Friendship group meetings are on **Tuesday 9 August** and **Tuesday 23 August**. There will be a **change of venue** whilst Ann and Carmel are away on holidays, and we will meet at **St Louis' Church Aspendale at 10am**. Starting with a cuppa in the church foyer, followed by a chat and discussion/reflection on the Sunday's gospel in friendship and faith. This group is open to everyone. For more information please contact Bernie on 0434 928 703 or Deb on 0403 471 931.

Are you or a friend interested in becoming a Catholic?

Have you ever thought about doing the sacraments and expanding your faith? What about joining with your children as they go through the sacramental program at school? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begins with a 'come and see' information night on **Thursday 11th August at 7:30pm at St. Louis'.** RCIA is for: *Adults who are not baptised; Adults baptised in another Christian Church or faith; non-practising Catholics wishing to renew their faith.* Phone the Parish office for more information on 9580-7981. **"Come and see"**

Catholic Care Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the Catholic Care Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers over 60 programs and services. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at catholiccarevic.org.au.



Jesus calls us to practice mercy and compassion: especially towards those who are disadvantaged.

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.



Cuppa after all Masses - Next Weekend

All parishioners are welcome to stay after mass next weekend. If you wish to bring a plate to share after any mass they are most welcome.



Parish News

Mass of Thanksgiving & Lunch celebrating Fr Andrew's Silver Jubilee of Ordination

LUNCH BOOKINGS REQUIRED BY 12 AUGUST! All are welcome to celebrate Fr Andrew's Silver Jubilee of Ordination on **Sunday 21 August with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 11am at St Brigid's followed by lunch at 12.30pm at St Brigid's Primary School.** The lunch cost is \$15/head or \$50 for

a family of 4 or more and must be made at Trybooking via this link trybooking.com/CBGLG. **Bookings no later than Friday 12 August.** If you would like to offer a cash donation for a gift for Fr Andrew there are boxes located at the Welcome Desk. *We are so blessed to have Fr Andrew as our Parish Priest. We thank Fr Andrew for his 25 years of serving God and his people, and for his love and nurturing support and leadership of our parish community. Let's show our appreciation by making this a very special occasion.*

Come listen to Fr Robert McCulloch talk about his work in Pakistan

You are invited to hear Fr Robert McCulloch (Columban Priest) give a talk about his health and education work in Pakistan. His talks give great insight into Pakistani issues affecting the Catholic/Christian minority population. Venue **St Patrick's Church Mentone starting with 7pm Mass** with refreshments following Fr Rob's talk at the Parish Centre. This is a function of the Knights of The Southern Cross. Please contact John Tetteroo (9583 4628) for bookings.



Billings Life

Billings life is presenting a free webinar entitled "Fertility Literacy in the Digital World - the best use of fertility tracking apps" on Monday 22nd August at 7.30pm. Presenters from Australia, Mexico and NZ will review 3 fertility tracking apps. See the Billings LIFE website or Facebook page for details and registration. billings.life/en/ Facebook: facebook.com/BillingsOvulationMethod/

THE SEARCH

We've concluded our video series, **THE SEARCH**. If you've missed out, don't worry, **THE SEARCH** is still available on **FORMED**: watch.formed.org/the-search. Please complete the survey sent to all participants, so that we can learn from feedback and get your ideas for our next video & discussion series.

News about Fr. Hoang

It is with mixed emotions that I announce Fr. Hoang's appointment here in the parish is coming to an end as of 17th August. The Archbishop has appointed him as Assistant Priest to the parishes of Camberwell, Deepdene & Balwyn, Wattle Park and Surrey Hills. This has come as a surprise but Fr. Hoang will leave us with many happy memories.

I am also pleased to announce that the newly ordained Fr. Ignatius Tan will begin his appointment as Assistant Priest here in the parish on the same day. **Fr. Hoang's last Masses at St. Louis' will be this weekend. Please stay for a cuppa after Mass.**

JAG Meeting Wednesday 10 August 7.30pm ONLINE



All are welcome to join our next JAG meeting this Wednesday. If social justice issues including the treatment of People seeking Asylum & Refugees; First Nations People Awareness & Understanding; Human Trafficking; Inter-Faith Initiatives; Care for the Environment and Domestic Violence & Homelessness are areas you would like to understand more and take action on, we would love for you to become part of JAG. The zoom link for the August meeting is: <https://m.stmaryofthecross.com/jag>

Thank you The JAG team would like to thank everyone for the wonderful support for the "Socks for Homeless drive". We received approximately 360 pairs of socks, which will be a warm comfort for many who are homeless in Dandenong.

Recently Deceased

Robbie Dobson & Mal Dubrock (Friends of John Bainbridge)

Anniversaries

Marie Nanci Barbarich, Rita Beha, Judith Boileau, Edna Bowden, William Bowles, Elisabeth Bury, Juanita Caday, Angelina Cortese, Isabella Costanzo, Hipolito Coutinho, Keith Drinan, Gordon Dunstan, Ann Fosberry, Helen Gauci, Joseph Gauci, Jessie Guthrie, Mary Wintle, Macaria Gutierrez, Patricia Kerr, Roman Luvara, Maureen Lyons, Mervat Marton, Amanda McLaggan, Frank Mooney, Verna Moorhouse, Monica Pierce, Adrian Pobjoy, Helga Rabich, Trevor Schneider-Loos, Edward James Sheehan, Mick Sullivan, Mary Sutherland, Vito Troisi, Thereza Vaz, Trish Wardle, Fr Michael Wheeler, Dorothy Williams

Healing Prayers Asked For

Carly Gordon, Lindsey Edwards, Rye Johnson, 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, Margaret Beesley, Lynch family, O'Shannessy family, Jenny Fernades, Thomason 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 Hoang Dinh ... 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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 14 August 2022 Readings (Year C): Jeremiah 38: 4-10, Hebrews 12:1-4, Luke 12:49-53				
13th & 14th Aug.	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	YR 5 level Mass	Barry Wheeler	YR 5 level Mass	Dianne Wain
Commentator	St Louis'	Jane Standish	St Louis'	Helen Rocks
Special Minister	Ann Furlong	Marlene Tangso	Elizabeth Newington	Louise Breslin
Welcomers	Anthony and Julie Barnhoorn	Jack & Carole Guthrie	Berna Wake Niko Tovia	Vanessa Fernandes Robyn Worsnop
Counters	Serge & Mary Nayna, Aileen Dynes			
Sacristan	Marie Medlicott	Fred Burns	Susan Dornom	Glenice Laughlin

✠ Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. ✠



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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



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

Our Parish Mission



Love God, Love Others,
Make Disciples