



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.*

17th Ordinary Sunday – 25th July 2021

Our readings are: 2 KINGS 4: 42-44; EPHESIANS 4: 1-6; JOHN 6: 1-15

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

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**[www.melbcatholic.org/
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Gospel Reflection: Marylene Douglas

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021. This date was designated to coincide with the feast day of St Joachim and St Anne, Jesus' grandparents. As parents of Jesus's earthly mother, Saint Anne and Saint Joachim must have been faithful, devoted parents indeed.

Reflecting on the legacy of Saints Anne and Joachim, we acknowledge the vital role played by all grandparents in completing the loving family unit and nurturing the faith of future generations. Grandparents can take a vital part in the training of their grandchildren, teaching them to love the ways of the Lord and honor his commandments.

Grandparents are repositories of wisdom and history. Their experience in faith and life has enriched their judgment, rendering them invaluable counsels for the generations that follow. They remember the heritage of the family and share it with future generations. As Pope Francis related:

How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage which is so essential for each and every society! How important it is to have intergenerational exchanges and dialogue, especially within the context of the family. The Aparecida Document says, "Children and the elderly build the future of peoples: children because they lead history forward, the elderly because they transmit the experience and wisdom of their lives" (No. 447). This relationship and this dialogue between generations is a treasure to be preserved and strengthened!

Let us pray...

Bless all Grandparents and keep them in Your care. Bless them with peace, health and healing. Reward them for their Faith and fidelity, for their work and goodness, for their love and thoughtfulness, for their gifts and prayers. Give them a long and happy life together. May old age come to them in the company of family and friends. And when life is over, unite them again, where parting will be no more, in the Kingdom of Your love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Prayer composed by the late Msgr. Joseph Quinn



Opening the Doors to Christ's Love

Our Parish Mission: Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples

Our Parish Renewal presentations were all post-recorded and can be accessed at our parish website www.melbcatholic.org/mordiallocaspendale. Soon work will begin on assessing the 5 Foundations for healthy, parish growth essential for a missionary culture – Discipleship, Worship, Evangelisation, Service and Community. From these assessments actions and plans will be identified to take our parish forward into new areas of growing wider – welcoming those outside in, growing deeper in our faith and discipleship and creating an exceptional weekend experience.

Whilst these assessments take place, I encourage every member of our parish to be a part of our parish mission by serving in one of our 5 parish ministries – Hospitality, Care, Discipleship, Parish Support and Liturgical.

Please pick up a copy of our Serve Booklet which gives a short description of each of the roles available under each ministry area. It is available in the church foyers and on our parish website.



The sign-up sheet is titled 'Serve Ministries' and is dated July 2017. It is divided into five columns representing different ministries: Hospitality Ministry, Care Ministry, Liturgy Ministry, Discipleship Ministry, and Parish Support Ministry. Each column contains a list of roles with checkboxes for sign-up. At the bottom, there is a section for 'Please indicate the area of your interest' and a line for the name of the sign-up person.

Sign-up sheet

Soon, I will be announcing meetings for each of the Serve Ministries to describe the roles in more detail. All are welcome, no role is too big or too small, so please register your interest on the sign-up sheet included in the Serve booklet. It is also available in the church foyers and on our parish website.

Know the joy of being used by God according to the gifts he has given each and every one of us and see what our Lord can do through you.

Fr Andrew



Serve Booklet

Dear Parishioners,

Moving from a maintenance to mission based parish involves many changes as explained through the "Opening the Doors to Christ's love" One of the changes involves the parish office.

Changes in the office has meant that the traditional parish secretarial role no longer exists. The new office role of Parish Coordinator working three days a week and will be responsible for managing the financial aspects of parish life as well as oversee the new volunteer roles of newsletter, rosters, baptism coordination etc. Having gone through the recruitment process managed by the Archdiocesan HR department, I am happy to announce that **Ann Fitzgerald** has been successful in her application for this job. Her new role begins on Tuesday 3rd August with the days she is in the office being Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays. At this stage the office will be closed on a Monday, and will be unattended on a Thursday, until such time as we have parishioners who are able to assist as part of our new parish support team. If you can serve the parish in this way please do complete a Serve Ministry sign-up sheet, available on our parish website or in the church foyers.

I know that some people have already registered their interest in so doing and I will be in touch with you soon about your involvement.

Please be aware that phone calls and emails are being monitored throughout the week but your request may not be responded to immediately.

Again, I would like to thank **Susan Dornom** who will conclude her employment as parish secretary on Friday 30th July. As Susan is a parishioner, we will still see her in her voluntary roles in the parish. I am indebted to Susan for her faithfulness to the role and I thank Susan for all that she has done, and will continue to do for the parish.

Fr. Andrew





Parish News:

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: JAG has decided to 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. For more information contact **Sandy 0412 057 177**

JAG Letter Writing Group: meets monthly with Sr Reba on the last Wednesday of each month to write letters to Govt MPs advocating compassionate policies for refugees and victims of human trafficking. There will be no get together this month because of the uncertainty of restrictions. Anyone who would like to help by writing letters at home or would like more info can contact **Sr Reba 9580 0151**



Scripture & Friendship Group: meet on 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month and their next gathering is this week on **Tuesday 27th July 10am - 11.30am** and because of the current restrictions it will be **via Zoom**. The link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89840412157?pwd=a09ZRDFNdGxFeFkFHTWVYZm1RajMwdz09>

All welcome. Contact: **Ann Brennan 0425 712 741** or **Carmel Barker 0425 773 608**

Need To Binge Watch During Lockdown???? *Can I highly recommend "The Chosen". It is a television drama based on the life of Jesus of Nazareth and it portrays Jesus "through the eyes of those who met him." The first season introduces Jesus and the calling of his initial disciples. The second season focuses on the beginning of his public ministry and what happens as word of his ministry begins to spread. You can go to Youtube and view it or download the app from your App store. It's free!* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K1-FoFj8Jbo> **Fr. Andrew**



Mary is arriving soon!!! *The footings outside the churches have been established ready to receive the new metal artwork depicting our patron saint St. Mary of the Cross. Identical pieces will arrive by the end of this month ready for a blessing on the 8th August, our parish feast day. A blessing after each mass will complete this process that has been years in the planning. I think that you will agree with me that these images will enhance our worship spaces as we embrace St. Mary of the Cross with St. Brigid and St. Louis'.* **Fr. Andrew**

Next Week's Roster:

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 31st July & 1st August 2021: READERS - please see Father before Mass			
Our readings are: EXODUS 16: 2-4, 12-15; EPHESIANS 4: 17, 20-24; JOHN 6: 24-35			
6PM MASS	Reader Adrienne Kennedy Commentator Marie Seddon Special Minister Sonia Williams Welcomers: Julie & Anthony Barnhoorn	8AM MASS	Reader Sr Deidre Malone Commentator Angela Meo Special Minister Carole Guthrie Welcomers: Odette Budge, Jane Standish
9.30AM MASS	Reader Brenda O'Leary Commentator Len Scott Special Minister Ron Schneider-Loos Welcomers: Trish & Barry LeBrocq	11AM MASS	Reader Peter Hannan Commentator Carmel Girolami Special Minister Carolyn Ellul Welcomers: Louise Breslin, Gail Bell
Counters: Aspendale: Bernadette & Geoff Terrell		Mordialloc: Margaret Forster, Aileen Dynes	



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

CORONAVIRUS ADVICE: In order to help prevent the spread of Corona Virus **ALL MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED** for this week. Recorded Masses will be available to view online via our Parish website www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale

17th Ordinary Sunday:

Recently Deceased:

Dorothy Taylor (wife of Albert)
Nelle Rafter (Aspendale)

Anniversaries: Antoinella Burgio, Patrick Hewitson, Vivette Jansz, Magherita Taranto, Edna Ansalde, Andrew Burns, Josephine D'Cunha, Bobby & Tom Mills, Maria Pitinga, Bill White, Paul Buick, Tom Enright, Jean O'Halloran, Alma & Jack McElroy, Alan Seddon, Bill Wilkins, Della Dalton, Danielle Gassin, Joseph Genovese, Issa Rizk, Johnny Williams, Brian Bellamy, Jack Brennan, Herbert Cumberbatch, Teresa Healy, Jack Murphy, Filomena Camerino, Norah Dornom, Florina Fernandes, Anne Green, Jack & May Heffernan, Hans Matse, Jim Kearney, Apolonio Gutierrez, Maria Licciardo, Marie Wilson.

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, Lilah Finocchiaro, Bernadette Munro, Maureen Hepburn. *(If you know of anyone who needs prayers or a pastoral visit please contact the Parish Office.)*

Farewell: to long time Aspendale parishioner **Rita Newton** who is moving out of the parish so that she can receive extra care. Thank you Rita for your involvement in our Parish over the years.

Parish Masses:

MASSES CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK

STREAMING

ONLINE

LIVE

Due to extension of the state wide 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/dO9Dj1iLPr0> 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', Aspendale

Sunday:

8am - St Brigid's, 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.