



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.*

5th Sunday of Lent - Sunday 3 April 2022

Our readings are: Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45

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,
Kristian Tangso**

PARISH COORDINATOR:

Ann Fitzgerald

BAPTISM COORDINATOR:

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PARISH OFFICE:

03 9580 7981

Hours: Tue, Wed & Fri
9am - 4pm

Gospel Reflection

On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, we have heard in today's Gospel the raising of Lazarus from the dead. Jesus comes to Bethany, to the home of Mary and Martha and Lazarus, whom he knew so well: a family where he was at home. Lazarus has died, but Jesus hasn't rushed there, so that the works of God can be shown through him, and the Father can be glorified.

It is here, in the midst of the grief and the tears of Martha and Mary, that Jesus makes this wonderful proclamation of who he is. He says to Martha, ***"I am the Resurrection and the Life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies, he will live. And whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"***

We are invited again to deepen our faith in Jesus, the Resurrection and the Life. The raising of Lazarus from the dead is a sign that points us towards the joy of Easter and Jesus' resurrection from the dead, the promise of new life, eternal life in him. It also gives us hope for whatever may seem dead in us, our faith, our perspective, our waning hope...these can be brought back to life by the power of Jesus Christ working within



us!

When he raises Lazarus from the dead, we hear those powerful words cried out in a loud voice, ***"Lazarus, here, come out. Unbind him, let him go free."***

In our prayer, we bring to Jesus our offering: our prayers for those who are bound in one way or another, for those who need again to receive the gift of freedom, for the sick, for those who are looking after them and caring for them, for the addicted, for those living in fear, in the midst of war and conflict. We pray for all those grieving, like Martha and Mary.

In this celebration, we renew our hope in Jesus, the Resurrection and the Life, who helps us to walk towards Easter, through the desert, and know the joy of his being raised from the dead, and our new life with Jesus Christ.

by Tanya



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
6pm Saturday and **8am Sunday**

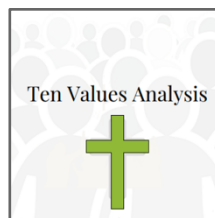
m.stmaryofthecross.com/news

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

Parish News

♥♥♥ Parish Survey - 10 Values Analysis ♥♥♥

For those who are unable to access the survey online, we do invite you to participate in this survey. Paper copies will be available at the Welcome Desk. Please bring your responses back next week and leave at the Welcome Desk. Info from the surveys will be fed back to the community in due time.



Holy Week Timetable

- Holy Thursday** – Mass of the Last Supper 7.30pm **St. Brigid's** followed by The Watch concluding with **night prayer at 10pm**
- Good Friday** – Stations of the Cross. **Beeson Reserve, Edithvale 10.30am** (Please note change of time!!)
- Good Friday** – Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ liturgy. **3pm St. Brigid's**
- Holy Saturday** – Vigil Mass of the Resurrection **7pm St. Louis'** followed by supper (please bring a plate to share)
- Easter Sunday** – Sunday masses at the usual time

Easter Roster for Mass

We're looking for volunteers for the Easter Rosters across all masses: **Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses**. If you're able to assist please sign up on the list located in both church foyers.

Year 4 Level Commitment masses next week

We welcome our Year 4 St. Louis' school families, Year 3/4 St. Brigid's school families and First Eucharist catechist families for the Level and Commitment to First Eucharist masses this weekend. (2/3 April).

Palms branches for Palm Sunday

If you have any large palm branches that the parish can use to decorate for next week's Palm Sunday masses, can you please contact the parish office asap?

"Spring Clean" for Easter

Can you help out with a general clean of our churches on Easter Saturday morning? Please join **Fr Andrew at St Brigid's** or **Fr Hoang at St Louis'** from 10-12 noon on **Saturday 16 April**. Morning tea provided.

Birthday blessings to Margaret Evans on her amazing 90th birthday last Tuesday. May there be many more!!



Baptisms this weekend!

We welcome into our Parish family:

Lucas Alexander, Thomas Henry,
Spencer Elsie, Amelia Mae, Siena Rose,
Charlie Thomas



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

Caritas Australia – Ukraine Emergency Appeal

Millions of Ukrainians are now living through air raids and attacks, as the conflict in Ukraine worsens daily. Your generous donation today can make a real difference to the lives of people still in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries. Please donate at caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine or contact 1800 024 413.

Flood Appeal – Society Of St Vincent De Paul

The floods in Queensland and New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to **support the long-term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society** in Queensland and New South Wales, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through: vinnies.org.au or by calling Queensland – (07) 3010 1000 or New South Wales – (02) 9568 0262.

Parish News

Walk for Justice and Freedom for Refugees 2022

Facebook event is here: fb.me/e/11WCiGAAY – please share! Join the Melbourne Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees on **Sunday 10 April from 1.30pm at the State Library, Swanston Street.**



**Fifth Sunday of Lent
2 & 3 April**

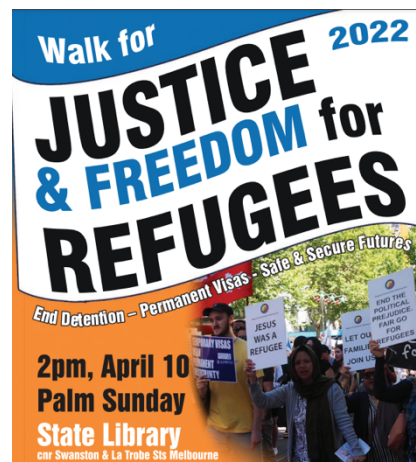


Shaniella 23, from the Solomon Islands was determined to forge a path out of poverty, moving away to vocational school. With your support, Shaniella was able to overcome further challenges of natural disasters, and gain the skills she needs to create a brighter future for herself.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities *For All Future Generations*.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow ***For All Future Generations***. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



ST BEDE'S COLLEGE
MENTONE CAMPUS OPEN DAY
WEDNESDAY 18 MAY 2022

Enrolments open to all Year 5 students who will be entering Year 7 in 2024.
Everyone welcome to view the College.
Bookings: www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au
Tour bookings are essential.

St Bede's College
Mentone Campus 2 Mentone Parade, Mentone VIC 3194
Bentleigh East Campus 156 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East VIC 3165
P: 03 9582 5999 E: stbedes@stbedes.catholic.edu.au

**SHOUT - OUT TO
DEB POYNTON!**
Baptism Coordinator



Thank you Deb for making all of our Baptism Families feel so welcome. Your beaming smile & kindness are truly gifts from God.

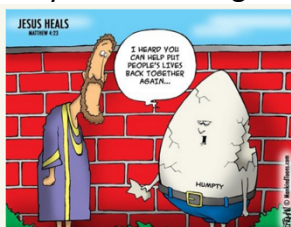
New Children's Area at St Brigid's

We now have a Children's Area at St Brigid's as we do at St Louis'. Parents and children are welcome to use this area if their child(ren) need a little time out during mass, or during a baptism, or any other service. It is located in the Piety Stall Room in the church foyer. One side of the room holds the piety stall items with the other side dedicated to the Childr Area. Each week there will be a fun worksheet that relates to the Gospel reading that children can fill in and/or take home.

More chocolate options for Easter



Welcome to Country, welcometocountry.com, offers a celebration worthy selection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Gift Ideas. Every purchase made with Welcome to Country directly benefits Indigenous artists and communities.



Recent Deaths

Marie-Noelle Russie (Thierry's mother)

Angela D'Amelio (St. Louis' school)

Ken Wraight (brother and brother in law of Maureen and Peter Wraight)

Anniversaries

Lucy Asciak, Sharon Budge, Baltazar Caday (Snr), Delfino Castenetto, Kitty Greenwell, Sydney Haag, George Irving, Doreen Jewell, Keith Keatinge, Marjorie Kirkby, Margarita Lacson, Christopher Lee Eng Chye, Margaret Lloyd, Eric Ludwick, Dianne Marchant, Brian McMahon, Sophie Medlicott, Nicole Petersen, Sr Justine Power, Thomas Shanahan, Ross Stevens, Alan Vickers, Placida Viecei, Ana Vitulic, Louisa Vitulic, Gwain Walker, Margarita Lacson

Healing Prayers Asked For

Maureen Hepburn, Srijana Shakya, Jan Mitula, Helen Pedrazzini, Jason Turner, Serena Zienau, Amelia Terry, Michele Ives, Minnie Joseph, Odette Ward, Pat McDonald, Sam Finnochiaro, Lisa Downing, Margaret McGovoen, Sophia Bicos

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

All Parish volunteers require:

- Current Working With Children Check a

- Read & signed our Child Safety Code of Conduct.

Available on our Parish Website & at our Parish Office

Any concerns please contact our Child Safeguarding Team:

Fr Andrew Jekot ... 03 9412 8432

Fr Hoang Dinh ... 03 9412 8432

Trish Angliss ... 0421 604 849

Louise Breslin ... 0415 963 799

Joe Corda ... 0407 354 568

Judy Dickinson ... 0407 865 522

Susan Dornom ... 0413 979 049

Joanne Partleton ... 0413 133 184

Robyn Worsnop ... 0412 814 592

Next Week's Roster

Palm Sunday	Readings:, Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Luke 22:14-23:56			
9th & 10th April 2022	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	Bernie Stuart	Graham Jones	Brenda O'Leary	Helen Rocks
Commentator	Jenny Ferguson	Jane Standish	Niko Tovia	Dianne Wain
Special Minister	Gail McGillivray	Fred Burns	Judy Dickerson	Judy Lamb
Welcomers	Sonia Williams Monique Bruce	Carole Guthrie Jack Guthrie	Mary Nayna Jon Searle	Christine D'Cruze Les D'Cruze
Welcomers' please note this is a 'cuppa' weekend, we appreciate your help.				
Counters	Gary and Joanne Partleton		Ron Soares	
Sacristan	Marie Medlicott	Fred Burns	Susan Dornom	Glenice Laughlin

With the Lord there is + mercy, and fullness of redemption.



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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

www.sbmord.catholic.edu.au

St Louis de Montfort's School,

37 Dolphin St, Aspendale

9580 5169

www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au

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Support
our Parish



**If you know of anyone who
needs prayers or a pastoral
visit please contact the
Parish Office**

Our Parish Mission



**Love God, Love Others,
Make Disciples**