



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.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 12 February 2023

Our readings are from Year A: Ecclesiasticus 15:16-21, 1 Corinthians 2:6-10, Matthew 5:17-37

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 Ignatius Tan

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

**Fr Andrew, Fr Ignatius,
Berna Wake, Trish Angliss,
Kristian Tangso**

PARISH COORDINATOR:

Ann Fitzgerald

BAPTISM COORDINATOR:

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03 9580 7981

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9am - 4pm



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Mass Online

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Email

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Website

m.stmaryofthecross.com

Live-streamed Mass

m.stmaryofthecross.com/mass

Online Bulletin

m.stmaryofthecross.com/news

Gospel Reflection

When I was reflecting on this week's Gospel I found this reflection written by Terry A Modica and would like to share it with you.



In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus explains that we fail to fulfil the Law when our so-called obedience isn't motivated by love.

Jesus completely fulfilled the true meaning of the Law. In doing so, he took upon himself our disobedience and died for us in the most generous gift of love.

As his followers, we also are to be generous with love. Obeying all the commandments — truly obeying them — requires loving God with our whole heart, all the time, and loving others as ourselves.

Jesus explains how to transform literal interpretations of God's laws into the Law of Love. In each example, he shows that we are to choose the most loving approach to every problem, no matter how difficult.

His first topic is anger: Sinful anger is judgmental and we are judged by this sin. Jesus provides the remedy: *Go and do whatever is necessary to be reconciled*. This, he points out, is even more important than worshipping God. How genuine can our worship be if anger has replaced love in our hearts, since God is love?

Jesus extends this teaching to every area of life. Breaking an oath is unloving. Lying and never intending to keep the commitment is unloving. In fact, the entire Sermon on the Mount, of which this Gospel reading is a part, explains how to love.

Terry A. Modica

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

Parish News



Parish Catechist Program 2023

Our 2023 Parish Catechist Program begins on **Tuesday 21st February** and runs until the end of November. This is a Religious Education Program for children not attending Catholic Schools and it helps prepare children for receiving their Sacraments. It is run by a dedicated group of Parish volunteers and classes are held at St Louis' on Tuesday afternoons 4pm - 5pm. Families with children interested in joining the Catechist program are asked to please contact: Elizabeth 9512 1155 or the Parish 9580 7981.

Thanksgiving Envelopes

The next set of thanksgiving envelopes from **5th of March through to 25th of June** are in the church foyers for collection. If you give via credit card or direct debit please contact the parish office for a copy of your receipt.

Serve Ministries

One of our four parish mission anchors is **Servant Leadership** - Where we are all called to serve in our parish ministries and wider community. On the weekend of February 18/19 we will offer our masses to give thanks for all who serve in our parish and ask all current serving ministers in **all** parish roles to re-confirm their commitment and encourage new people to step forward. Our Serve Ministry booklet outlines all of the serve ministry roles and is available on our parish website, printed copies are also available in the church foyers.



Current Serve Ministry Roster

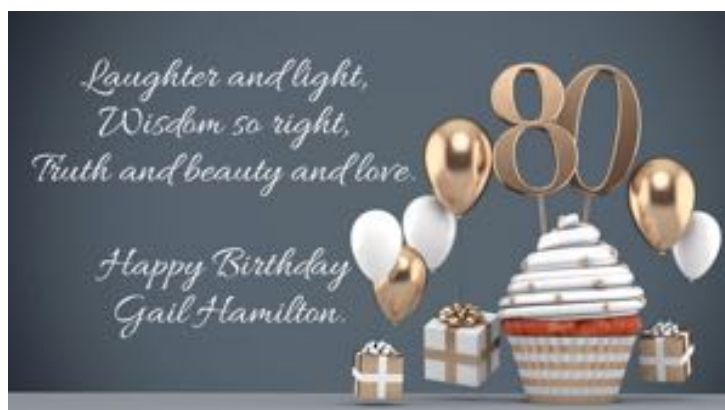
The Roster for 5th March to 9th April is currently being organised. If you wish to go on / come off the roster or are away during this time please let the parish office know. All volunteers are welcome and must have a WWCC and some ministry roles require a police check.

Covid Virus

The Covid Virus is in our community and wearing a face mask is recommended to protect yourself and others around you. If you have forgotten your face mask we have them available in the church foyers. And, don't forget to Sanitise your hands.

Pastoral Care Appeal 2023

This weekend is the Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. The Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in hospitals, prisons and youth justice centres. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of the darkest times of their life. Please give generously. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.



Praise & Worship Night Friday 17 February 7.30pm at St Brigid's Church

Everyone is invited to join in a joyful, uplifting and worshipful time with Jesus through music mixed with some scripture and time for prayer and praise. The focus is building a one-on-one, love relationship with Christ.

Friday 17 February 2023 from 7.30-8.30pm at St Brigid's Church Mordialloc

Prep family Mass Sunday February 19th 10.30am Braeside Park

There will be an extra mass offered on Sunday 19th February. All are welcome to join our Prep/Foundation school families for their special welcome mass.

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Lenten Scripture Groups

There are a number of different scripture groups that you are invited to partake in beginning Monday 20th February.

*****Please note - if you are in a Wednesday group - don't forget to factor in Mass on Ash Wednesday*****

- **Tuesdays (beginning 21st Feb)** at 10.30am, St. Louis' church led by Carmel Barker.
- **Tuesdays (beginning 21st Feb)** at 2pm, 63 Nepean Highway, Aspendale led by Mary Nayna.
- **Wednesdays (beginning 22nd Feb)** at 10.30am, at St. Louis' church led by Trish Le Brocq.
- **Wednesdays (beginning 22nd Feb)** at 7.15pm, at 41 Rivette St. Mordialloc led by Jack Meyer
- **Wednesdays (beginning 22nd Feb)** at 7.30pm, via Zoom led by Kim Jeremiah.
- **Thursdays (beginning 23rd Feb)** at 7.30pm, via Zoom led by Ann Furlong.

Thank you to our facilitators. Please register at the Welcome Desk.



Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday (**22 February**) signals the beginning of Lent, a beautiful time and journey leading us towards Easter. Masses will be at **10am (St. Brigid's)** and **7pm (St. Louis')**.

Welcome this weekend...

Fr. Peter Matheson at the St. Louis' masses and Fr. Kevin Burke at St. Brigid's masses. Fr. Andrew, Fr. Ignatius, Berna Wake and Trish Angliss are away in Sydney this weekend for the Divine Renovation conference. Please make Frs. Peter & Kevin welcome.

Longbeach Parishes Dinner

Our first event of 2023 will be a **dinner at 6pm on Thursday after Ash Wednesday i.e. 23 February** at The Longbeach RSL, Chelsea. For Bookings ring Pat Addams on 0488-866-020 or Keith Reiter on 0417-350-733, alternatively leave a message on 9772-7292.

*Gain confidence
in starting and
nurturing your
ministry!*

The Call of Guadalupe Ministry

Do you want to start or keep a ministry going, or be a helper in your church, youth group or bible study, or any ministry? Learn from those who have kept their groups going for more than 15 years. All are welcome. **Saturday 25**

February 2023 10:00 AM - Sunday 26 February 2023 4:30 PM at St Joseph's Church Hall, Woodbine Grove, Chelsea. For more info www.trybooking.com/CFPZX or call 0413398528.



Cuppa weekend

There will be a cup of tea / coffee after the weekend Masses this weekend. All are welcome.

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Beloved - Session 1: Does Marriage Matter?

Happy Feast of St. Valentine! This Valentine's Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.

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



An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and SPECIALLY PRESENTED

ST BEDE'S COLLEGE
MENTONE CAMPUS OPEN DAY
WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH 2023

Enrolments open to all Year 5 students who will be entering Year 7 in 2025.
Everyone welcome to view the College.
Bookings: www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au
Tour bookings are essential.

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

With St Mary of the Cross We Pray



Recently Deceased

Phyllis Grasso (Mordialloc)

Anniversaries

Patricia Atkins, Bob Barker, Edna Bryant, Phyllis Cain, Nicola Corda, Eric Dart, Fortunata Cortese, Stan Davies, Trilby De Hoedt, Elizabeth Durham, Margaret Fitzgerald, Mary Foley, Kevin Franklin, Jean France Hennequin, Ron Jackson, Jack Kennedy, Carmen Maré, Faye Mattia, William Monaghan, Cyril Nunn, Aileen O'Donnell, Jean O'Toole, Betty Pike, Nan Plant, Greg Riordan, Arlene Roberts, Dorothy Rodriguez, Antonio Tenace, Brian Tobin, Tom Walker, Josephine Tranter, Catherine Varney, Robert Whitehouse, William Wilson, Ronald Wintle

Healing Prayers Asked For

Judy Callmmc, Brenda Cortese, Ray Martin, Sophia Bicos, David Morris, Sue Kelly, Helen Pedrazzini, Craig Martin, Serena Zienau

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and human dignity of children, young people and adults in our community.

All Parish volunteers require a current Working With Children Check and completion of the Safeguarding Essentials training. Copies of the policy 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	Joe Corda ... 0407 354 568
Fr Ignatius Tan ... 03 9412 8432	Joanne Partleton ... 0413 133 184
Trish Angliss ... 0421 604 849	Robyn Worsnop ... 0412 814 592
Louise Breslin ... 0415 963 799	

Next Week's Serve Ministers' Roster

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 19 February 2023				
Readings (Year A): Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18, 1 Corinthians 3:16-23, Matthew 5:38-48				
18th & 19th Feb	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	Tanya Jhoomun	Barry Wheeler	Robert Bronts	Mark Carrazzo
Commentator	Patrick Jurd	Angela Meo	Niko Tovia	Dianne Wain
Special Minister	Anthony Barnhoorn	Stephen Pooley	Ron Schnieder-Loos	Peter Wain
Welcomers	Annette Brilliant	Jack & Carole Guthrie	Joe Corda	Judy Lamb
	Jenny Ferguson		Norma Taylor	Maryann Farren
Counters	Serge & Mary Nayna	Aileen Dynes		
Sacristan	Susan Dornom	Vo Johnson	Tony Allday	Glenice Laughlin

If you are unavailable on your rostered day please arrange a replacement and contact the Parish Office on 9580 7981 to inform us of the change



 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 9.15am - St Louis' (Communion Service),

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

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