



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.*

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 18 June 2023

Our readings are from Year A: Exodus 19:2-6, Romans 5:6-11, Matthew 9:36-10:8

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 COORDINATOR

Ann Fitzgerald

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

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

BAPTISM COORDINATOR

Deb Poynton - 0403 471 931

PARISH HOUSE

03 9412 8432

PARISH OFFICE

03 9580 7981

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

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sbmord.catholic.edu.au

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LIVE-STREAMED MASS

m.stmaryofthecross.com/mass

ONLINE BULLETIN

m.stmaryofthecross.com/news

GOSPEL REFLECTION

After reading today's gospel reading I found this beautiful reflection from Oasis Church.

The gospel reading speaks of discipleship. Just as Jesus has called and sent the first twelve apostles, he is also calling and sending us for a mission.

In other words, discipleship entails a mission. We are called therefore to do something in the vineyard where *"the harvest is ready, but the labourers are few"*.

During the time of Jesus, there were so many people who needed help. It is the same during our time, if not, more so. Just look around us or read the dailies, people everywhere are hungry for the Good News, hungry for physical food, and are in need of healing as well as comfort. Who will proclaim to them the Kingdom of God and tend to their needs?

The task of spreading the Word of God and serving the needy is not only for the priests, but for us all. Just as Jesus was moved with compassion, may the Holy Spirit move each one of us to move out of our comfort zones and reach out to the last, least and lost people in society.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit have been given to us freely, let us serve the people of God freely, without expecting reward or recognition. For it is Jesus whom we actually serve, and it is Jesus who will bless us and give what is due to us whether at the present time and in the life beyond.

By Carmel Stuttard School Principal of St Louis' de Montfort Primary school



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

PARISH NEWS

NEW: ST MARY OF THE CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP



Welcoming all men in a non-judgemental, friendly environment

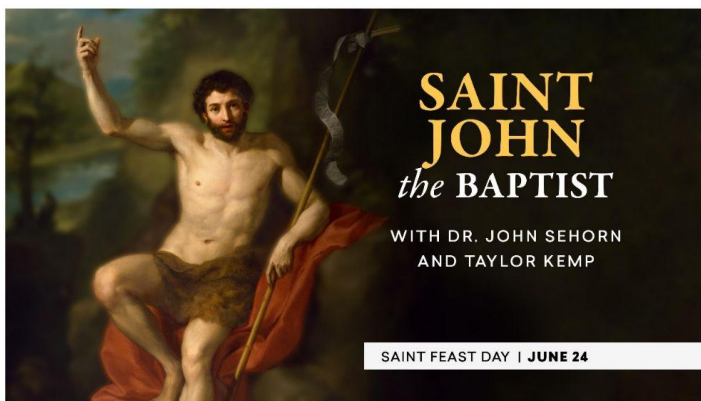
Getting together monthly starting Thursday 22 June 7.30-9pm at St Louis'

Men, do you feel it's hard to find opportunities to talk about faith without being ridiculed or judged - whether it's by your friends, families or at work? Our new Men's Parish Fellowship Group will watch and discuss **THE SEARCH**, a 7-part series that uses an evidence-based approach for the existence of God and effectively disputes the idea that science and religion are incompatible. **THE SEARCH** is a journey to consider the deep questions of life and human existence. If you are interested to know more please speak to Father Andrew or Father Ignatius. If you are curious come along to our first gathering on **Thursday 22 June at 7.30pm at St Louis'.**



Next Weekend 24/25 June Calling all children aged 4 - 10

An opportunity to play, dance, sing, make friends and have fun hearing stories from the Bible and getting to know your friend Jesus.



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PARISH NEWS

CHILD SAFEGUARDING ONLINE TRAINING

All those who are involved in any Serve Ministry have to undergo some professional development in the area of child safeguarding. Some parishioners received an email this week asking them to do the [online seminar](#) as the parish records show that the training hasn't been completed. There is an opportunity to undertake this session as a parish group on **Sunday 25th June at 10.30am at St. Louis**. You will need to bring along your valid Working with Children's Check card. Please notify the parish office if you are attending.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION 25th JUNE

On the **25th of June** there will be the annual collection for the "Peter's Pence" collection. This collection goes towards financial support to our Holy Father Pope Francis. The Modern "Peter's Pence" proceeds are used by the Pope for philanthropic works throughout the world and for administrative costs of the Vatican state. Your generosity is appreciated.



WARM WOOLLIES FOR DANDENONG HOMELESS - Thank you for the many contributions.

DO YOU WANT TO HELP A REFUGEE FAMILY IN A PRACTICAL AND MEANINGFUL WAY?

Community-based sponsorship, where people form a group and work together to welcome and provide support for refugees coming to Australia is a growing global movement. JAG has invited a representative of CRISP (Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot) to explain what is involved. The information session will be held on **Wednesday 28 June at 7pm at St Louis**. All are invited to attend. Please text Judy Lamb with your name at 0419 311 255 to express your interest by *Friday 23 June*. Further information can be found at: www.refugeesponsorship.org.au



KINGSTON INTERFAITH BUS TOUR

All are welcome on **Wednesday 28 June 9am - 2.15pm** to join the annual guided bus tour to places of worship to learn about different faiths. Get the chance to ask questions in a respectful and welcoming environment. The tour will visit the Jewish Museum (St Kilda), the Jewish synagogue (St Kilda), the Jain Temple (Moorabbin) and the final stop is our very own



St Brigid's church. Lunch will be provided. Departing from Clarinda Community Centre and Kingston's Council Offices at Brindisi St, Mentone. Bookings open Wednesday 24 May. Call: 1300 653 356 Email: community@kingston.vic.gov.au

TEMPORARY USE OF CAR - URGENT NEED

An heroic lady who is a recent widow with significant health issues requiring ongoing medical treatment, and who is caring for 2 adult children with disabilities, is in urgent need of a reliable vehicle in good order - if possible as a loan of 2 to 3 months. Her own car has "died" and is not worth repairing. And her story, if it was told, is an extraordinary mix of courage and heartbreak. Do you know someone who might help? Any additional insurance required will be covered. For further information, contact Fr. Kevin Dillon on 0421 777 360 or frkdillon@outlook.com.au.

PARISH CATECHIST PROGRAM 2023

Our 2023 Parish Catechist Program for sacrament of reconciliation and confirmation begins **11th of July** this is for children not attending Catholic Schools and it helps prepare children for receiving their Sacraments. 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.

FLOWERS

Do you have flowers and/or greenery growing in your garden? If you can spare some, the volunteer flower arrangers at St Louis' would be most appreciative of these for the church flower displays. Please contact the parish office to arrange for Flowers and greenery to be dropped off. Thank you in advance.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

The next set of thanksgiving envelopes are available for collection from the church foyers. These will be posted out after this weekend. If you donate via direct debit or credit card and require a receipt please contact the parish office to arrange one.



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

RECENTLY DECEASED

Thomas Tong (Mordialloc), Carlyn Quarrell (friend of Josephine Blair)

ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy Sellar, Joan Bristow, Ron Sellar, Harry Pobjoy, Liam Andrews, Antonio Divola, Maria Owen-Tucker, Patricia Moore, Ceriaco Baldano Olaso, Aileen Egan, Sarah Collins, Agnes Brennan, Bjorn Michelsson, Erik Michelsson, Karen Park, Jerry Mendonça, Peter D'Astoli, George Barbutt, Margaret Nichols, Ann Beruldsen, Marie Mitchell, Ali Gafayri, Alwyn Dunn, Kevin Brown, Ernest Burns, Robert Moss, Ruth D'Astoli, Urbana Reixach-Juliá, Joan Murray, Jack Cassidy, Evelyn Chatelier, Irene Dignam, Janette Lannen, Dorothy Whyte, Phoebe Wilson, Bridget Lindfield, Silvio Lobianco, Elaine Lawrie, Concetta Costanzo, Maureen Jackson, Peter O'Toole

HEALING PRAYERS ASKED FOR

Susan Waltho, Kathleen Cleary, Christine Wagstaff, John Nicholson, Brenda Cortese, Sophia Bicos, Sue Kelly, Nellie Julian, Michelle Ives, Carmel & Brian Grace, Graham Owen, Danielle Spencer, Pam Ulbrick, Serena Zienau, Minnie Joseph, Wendy Baderhosrst, Judy Callmac, Kathy & Ray Martin, Sam Finnochiaro, Josephine Wood, Maree Burns, Glenice Laughlin, Julie Griffith

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

To keep each other safe, we encourage mask wearing when attending Mass.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 6pm Mass (St Louis')

Sunday: 8am Mass (St Brigid's)

Sunday: 9.30am Mass (St Louis')

Sunday: 11am Mass (St Brigid's)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 9.15am Communion Service (St Louis')

Tuesday: 9.15am Mass (St Louis')

Wednesday: 10am Mass (St Brigid's)

Thursday: 9.15am Mass (St Louis')

Friday: 11.30am Mass (St Brigid's)

RECONCILIATION

Friday - 12pm St Brigid's,

Saturday - 5.30pm St Louis'

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday - 10.30am at St Brigid's

PRAYER GROUP AND ADORATION

1st Saturday of the Month - 4.30pm to 5.30pm at St Louis'

KIDS ZONE - CHILDREN AGED 4 - 10

4th Weekend of the Month - 6pm, 9:30am & 11am Masses

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

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Reading (Year A) Jeremiah 20:10-13, Romans 5:12-15, Matthew 10:26-33								
24th & 25th June	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer	Sacristan
6:00pm (A)	Marg De Vries	Debra Searle	Michael Barker	Pauline Parker	Sonia Williams	Monique Bruce	Julie Buick	Marie Medlicott
8.00am (M)	Frances North	Stefanie Carino	Jane Standish	Marlene Tangso	Stephen Pooley	Paula and Wence	Rodrigues	Vo Johnson
9.30am (A)	Elizabeth Newington	Gerard Wagstaff	Alison Krishnadas	Ann Furlong	Ron Schneider-Loos	Maureen Wraight	Niko Tovia	Susan Dornom
11:00am (M)	Helen Rocks	Lesley Bailey	Philippa Pecora	Vikki Fitzgerald	Volunteer	Ellen Young	Volunteer	Tung Phan
Counters	Group 3 - Deborah Joseph, Joe Corda, Nelson Popley							
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.								

