



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.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 2 October 2022

Our readings are: Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4, 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14, Luke 17:5-10

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**

PARISH COORDINATOR:

Ann Fitzgerald

BAPTISM COORDINATOR:

Deb Poynton - 0403 471 931

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PARISH OFFICE:

03 9580 7981

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



Contact Us



Parish Website



Mass Online

PARISH LINKS:

Email

mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au

Website

m.stmaryofthecross.com

Live-streamed Mass

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

Online Bulletin

m.stmaryofthecross.com/news

Gospel Reflection

The gospel today reflects on, increasing our faith, and the reward of service. Faith is about hanging on or clinging to God's power with the will and hope to be saved. It is not right for us to expect any rewards. We are merely a servant; we do what a servant needs to do. We praise God simply because we came from God, and we rely on God for divine providence. We cannot boast about our rewards from God because God does not owe us anything.

The mustard tree is one of the trees commonly found in Israel. It has a very small but very tough seed. When it is placed in moistened soil, it will germinate and grow into a big tree, letting all the birds rest on it.

This parable is teaching us if we have faith as strong and as tough as a little mustard seed, size does not matter.

It is having faith in Jesus, not to move mountains, and not to glorify ourselves, but to imitate Jesus in spreading the Good News and enduring the cross. When we put our faith into practice, grow in spirituality with God, and evangelise to others, then our harvest for the kingdom of God will be great. It does not matter whether we are living a good life or a difficult life; we must have sincerity and trust in God. In our steadfastness, we will not be blaming God and feeling despair. Our relationship with God will be stronger through the period of trials, which grows in perseverance, endurance, and longing for God.

Jesus, who is the Son of God, humbled himself taking up an image of a man, and submitted himself for the grievous passion and death, for the sake of all our sins. He learnt to be obedient by being submissive to God, who has given us the salvation that had been promised at the beginning of creation. We are simply mere servants of God. We only do our part as servants. God will reward us in enhancing our faith and help us to walk with Him every day.

by Fr. Ignatius Tan Assistant Priest St Mary of the Cross



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

Parish News

The September Quarter Issue of Blessings is now available

Filled with news & photos of our parish including Fr Andrew's Silver Jubilee celebrations, a farewell from Fr Hoang and welcome to Fr Ignatius. Read your copy online at our [parish website](#) or pick up a copy in the church foyers.

Have you subscribed to Formed?

With our parish subscription you have access to over 4000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children. If you haven't subscribed already, follow these simple steps in the image below. Every week there are new content suggestions.

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist Parish Watch & Share Series Starts 11 October

All are welcome to join in watching this 3-part series that explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. **Week 1 will be held on Tuesday October 11 at St Louis' from 7.00-8.30pm.** Subsequent weeks are 19 and 25 October. **Please register at the Welcome Desk.**

Blessings

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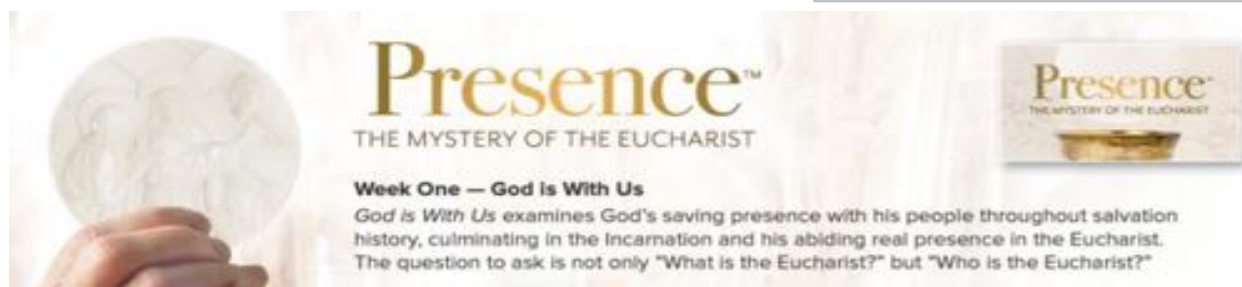
St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and SPARKS PEOPLE

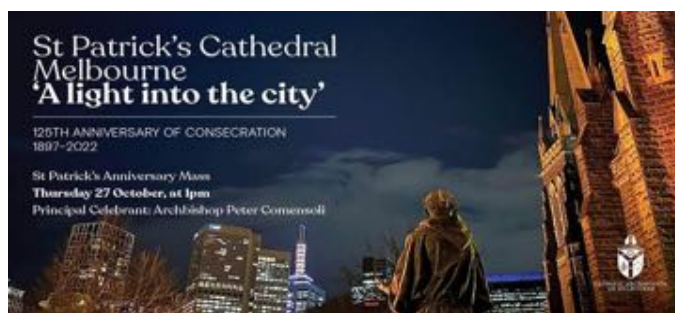


Picnic for parishioners and refugees from Brigidine Asylum Seeker Support

On **Sunday 23rd October from 12.30pm until 3.00pm** there will be a picnic for parishioners and refugees from Brigidine Asylum Seeker Support. This is a JAG function. It will be held in the St Louis School garden. There will be food, music, dancing and games for the children. More details will be posted in next week's bulletin. Everyone is welcome, so please keep the date free on your calendar!

125th Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the **125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous



people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.



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

Thank you for your marriage

At our weekend Masses on 8 & 9 October we will acknowledge and celebrate the gift of love and life for couples commemorating significant anniversaries (5, 10, 15, 20, etc.).

Couples will be asked to renew their wedding vows and will receive a special blessing. Please invite your families and friends if this is a special anniversary year for you. **Please register at our Welcome Desks before 5 October.**



Meeting Room at St Louis'

With the increased activity in the parish and more meetings being organised a diary has been set up for the St Louis' meeting room. If you would like to book a meeting please [contact the parish office](#) to ensure the meeting room is available.

2022 Knox Public Lecture

"50 Years of Theological Education in Context: Then, Now, What Next?"

Wednesday 12th October at 7.30pm, Bookings and Info: ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture, Enquiries: sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au or Ph 9412 3333, Venue: Celtic Hall, Catholic Leadership Centre.



Marriage Encounter Weekend - "Live Your Best Life in Love"

This experience gives you the tools to keep your passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living. The weekend is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Please check our website wwme.org.au for more details. Date and Venue: **22-23 October 2022 at St John Bosco, Niddrie**. For more information/bookings: Phone Mercy & James on 0409 183 676 or email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Upcoming Serve Ministries Roster

The **Parish Serve Ministries Roster for November and February 2023** is currently being compiled. If you are **away during this period**, wish to be added to the roster, or do not wish to be on the roster, please let the [parish office](#) know as soon as possible. **New Serve Ministers** are most welcome. If you would like to know more about any of these serve ministry roles please pick up a copy of the Serve Ministries booklet in the church foyer or see our [parish website](#). Alternatively, you are very welcome to reach out to one of our Parish Leadership Team members, who will be happy to assist you.

Serve Ministers: If you are unavailable on your rostered day please arrange a replacement and please contact Ann or the Parish Office team **ONLY** on 9580 7981 or mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au to inform them of the change. If you need help finding someone the parish office team is happy to assist.

A poster for a fundraising campaign. On the left, the text "BUILD BRIGHTER FUTURES FOR FAMILIES IN EMDIBIR" is written in large, bold, colorful letters. On the right, there is a photograph of a young girl with braided hair, wearing a pink shirt, looking off to the side. To the left of the photo, the text reads: "In three weeks' time, in celebration of World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will share with us Fr Habte and the Church's vision of supporting their community by expanding their current farm to include a goat rearing centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia. The construction of the Goat Rearing Centre can make a difference for people seeking skills and employment, so that they can provide for themselves and their families. However, it is not possible without the generous support of people like you. We hope you will join us in supporting this life-changing program." At the bottom left, there is a logo for "catholic mission" and a phone number "Freecall: 1800 257 296" with the website "catholicmission.org.au/families". At the bottom right, there is a QR code.

Recently Deceased

Bishop Emeritus Hilton Forrest Deakin,
Zorka Marinovic (St Brigid's),
Donavin Plaatjie (Vo Johnson)

Anniversaries

Mathew Braganza, Max Braganza, Joe Cerritelli, Elisabetta Condo, Maud Erbs, Vanessa Mary Davies, Mary Ellen Doherty, James Exton, Sr Carmel of the Child Jesus Furlong, Carmel Kennan, Harry Kennan, Bette McLaughlin, Frank Moor, Fr Luke Newington, Mary Nicholson, Terry O'Brien, Bernadette O'Connor, Megan O'Keefe, Edmund Partleton, Charles Patric, Keith Reiter (Snr), Kathleen Richards, Laurie Rose, Nadine Shakemamade, Nancy Stott, William Velten, Stanley Amos Wagstaff, Violet Waltho/Larter, Gordon White, Bill Wilson

Healing Prayers Asked For

Brenda Cortese, Ray Martin, Mary Deveson, Carly Gordon, Lindsey Edwards, 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, Lisa Downing, Maureen Hepburn, Srijana Shakya, Jan Mitula, Helen Pedrazzini, Ian Anderson, Serena Zienau, Michele Ives, Pat McDonald, Oonagh Duggan, Sam Finnociaro, MaryJane Duffy, Lynch family, O'Shannessy family, Stone Family, Sharon Stephenson, Melvyn Porte, Graig dePalo, Ian Ryan, Margaret Beesley, Barbara Padfield, Rachael Salpietro, Amnin Bukic, Andy Flack

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 Ignatius Tan ... 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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 9th October 2022				
Readings (Year C):				
8th & 9th Oct	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	Ann Brennan	Barry Wheeler	Phillip Morris	Tim Plant
Commentator	Joanne Partleton	Volunteer	Felice Cortese	Beverley Plant
Special Minister	Carmel Barker	Carole Guthrie	Alison Krishnadas	Michelle Campbell
Welcomers	Annette Brilliant	Jane Standish	Joe Corda	Tung Phan
	Jenny Ferguson	Jack Meyer	Volunteer	MaryAnn Farren
Counters	Bern & Geoff Terrell, Susan Dornom			
Sacristan	Marie Medicott	TBA	Tony Allday	Glenice Laughlin
<i>Welcomers' please note this is a 'cuppa' weekend, we appreciate your help.</i>				
<i>Parishioners are invited to bring a plate to share</i>				
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If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.



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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



Support
our Parish



KIDZ ZONE CALLING ALL 4-10 YR OLDS
JOIN US EVERY 4TH
WEEKEND DURING MASS

Our Parish Mission



Love God, Love Others,
Make Disciples