



# 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.*

## 14th Ordinary Sunday – 4th July 2021

Our readings are: **EZEKIEL 2: 2-5; 2 CORINTHIANS 12: 7-10; MARK 6: 1-6**

### 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:

**9412 8432**

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

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## Gospel Reflection:

This year the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council have adopted the NAIDOC theme for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday – **Heal Country**. In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis has called us to continue to seek greater protections for our lands, our waters, our sacred sites and our cultural heritage from exploitation, desecration, and destruction.

Today's Gospel is very fitting because Mark tells us of Jesus returning to his 'native place' – Nazareth – to a non-accepting, hostile reaction. Jesus had been welcomed and revered in other places, why is it that he is mocked and disregarded in his own home? "Is he not the carpenter?" the crowd called because they saw him as "without honour" and were unable to believe in him. He did not fit into their ideological view and thus did not deserve respect in their eyes.

In Australia, our own First Nations people have suffered a similar reception to Jesus in Nazareth. Their knowledge and complex cultural systems, created and honed over millennia, are often dismissed as primitive and irrelevant to our fast-paced world of today. This could not be further from the truth, particularly as we become more aware of their continued care, love, and respect for 'country', grounded in a relationship with the creator that formed independently of Western influence.

2021 marks the 250th Anniversary of the arrival of Christianity in Australia. Yet the Spirit of God was poured out onto the original inhabitants of this great Southern Land many, many thousands of years prior. God's Spirit could be heard through the singing of the birds, the cascade of the waterfall, the rustle of the wind and, most importantly, in silence.

Let us move forwards as a united people in Christ, committed to embracing the gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledge to not only Heal Country, but to Heal our relationships with one another, and in doing so our Creators' gifts to us all – this world. **Fr Andrew**



## Heal Country

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 4 July 2021  
Celebrating the gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics



# Parish News:

## Opening the Doors - Parish Renewal Presentations FINAL WEEK

Next Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm at St Louis' we will conclude our 4-week series of parish renewal presentations which have outlined our new Parish Mission which is **Love God, Love Others and Make Disciples**. Our mission is anchored in our desire to:

- **Grow Wider**, inviting those outside in
- **Grow Deeper** in our faith and discipleship
- **Leadership**, where we are all called to serve
- Create an **Exceptional weekend Experience**



In the final weeks presentation we will outline the new ways of working in the parish, organising ourselves for fruitful, healthy growth. This will involve new structures, and in particular 5 new Ministry Teams, where all will be invited to step forward to serve in our parish. By serving we grow as disciples and develop a deeper relationship with Jesus.

Please do join us for this final presentation. We will present a brief recap of the presentations to date and remember there are video recordings of Weeks 1 & 2 for those who may not have been able to attend.

**Week 1 – A review of where the Catholic Church is in Australia today and within our own community. An introduction to moving from maintenance to mission.**

<https://youtu.be/kzw9OPCBHQ0>

**Week 2 – What is the mission of the Church, where are we being called?**

<https://youtu.be/w93E3rj5Bbg> Unfortunately we had some upload issues with this presentation, so if you do happen to watch it, please note that the Matthew Hayden "Were you baptised Catholic?" video from Evangelisation Brisbane which starts at 7:54 should be fast forwarded to 13:40 and the Br Casey Cole Vatican II video at 24:08 should be fast forwarded to 29:39

**Week 3 – The Five Foundations for fruitful Parish growth** <https://youtu.be/7Iy30Bu8zTg>

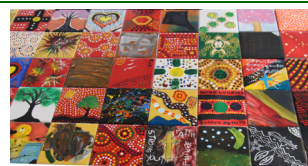
Some more upload issues require you to fast forward to the videos for the first two of the three videos – apologies.

I very much look forward to seeing you next **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July at St Louis' at 7.30pm.**

God bless you all,

**Fr Andrew**

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday:** This Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday with the theme **Heal Country** chosen to respond to the current challenges we face as a community. Today our world is in need of healing – environmentally, spiritually and socially. We must all come together as a global community to fight the injustices of inequality, racism and environmental damage.



**Heal Country**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 4 July 2021

Celebrating the gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday is celebrated in the first week of July each year by the Catholic Church in Australia. It is organised by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council ([NATSICC](http://NATSICC))

**Scripture & Friendship Group:** will not be meeting during the school holidays and their next gathering will be on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 10am - 11.30am**



**Longbeach Parishes Social Group** are meeting again this month and they invite you to attend their lunch gatherings that are held on the second Wednesday of each month. The July luncheon is on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 12.30pm** at the **Long Beach Hotel**.

For bookings contact: **Pat Adams 0448 866 020** or **Keith Reiter 0417 350 733**

# Parish News:

**Opening the Doors Changes Planned:** *The fourth and final presentation titled "Opening the Doors to Christ's love" this Tuesday will be an opportunity for you all to indicate where you would like to be involved in parish life. We have heard that being actively involved is not about what you can for me but what you can do for God. This is an exciting time for the parish to grow wider as disciples and welcome others into the parish.*

*I would like to share with you some decisions I have made as part of this change from a maintenance based parish to a missionary based parish. Introducing a Senior Leadership Team (SLT) consisting of 3 people employed to support me and the parish as we move forward. This change is yet to be finalised, when it is I will announce who they are and explain more about their role. I am excited about this way forward to assist me in bringing about the best version of our parish as possible.*

*Changes in the office mean that the traditional parish secretarial role will become redundant. I am endeavouring on employing a Parish Coordinator whose role will be to continue managing the financial aspects of parish life as well as oversee the new volunteer roles of newsletter, rosters, baptism coordination etc. Unfortunately this does mean that our two secretaries **Susan Dornom** and **Ann Fitzgerald** will conclude their employment as parish secretaries on **30<sup>th</sup> July**. Susan has been in the role since August 2010 and Ann since October 2017. I am indebted to them both for their faithfulness to their role and I thank them for all that they have done for the parish. The new Parish Coordinator role is currently being advertised through the Archdiocesan website and applications close mid July.*

*I ask for your prayers at this time as we undergo a time of transition. I ask our patron saints St. Mary of the Cross, St. Brigid and St. Louis for their intercession as we "Open the Doors to Christ's love."*

**Fr Andrew**

**St. Mary of the Cross Artwork:** *I am really happy to announce that the artwork that I have commissioned (over one year ago) is close to being complete. With thanks to a team of parishioners, identical 2 metre metal sculptures of St. Mary of the Cross along with two children will make their way to their new homes outside each church. They should appear towards the end of July ready for a blessing on the feast of day of Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August. More info and images to come.*

**Fr. Andrew**



## Next Week's Roster:

| <b>15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021: READERS - please see Father before Mass</b> |                                                                                                                                                               |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                           |
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| Our readings are: <b>AMOS 7: 12-15; EPHESIANS 1: 3-14; MARK 6: 7-13</b>                                                       |                                                                                                                                                               |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>6PM MASS</b>                                                                                                               | <b>Reader</b> Julie Buick<br><b>Commentator</b> Jenny Ford<br><b>Special Minister</b> Marie Medlicott<br><b>Welcomers:</b> Adrienne Kennedy, Joanne Partleton | <b>8AM MASS</b>                                   | <b>Reader</b> Angela Meo<br><b>Commentator</b> Stefanie Carino<br><b>Special Minister</b> Jack Guthrie<br><b>Welcomers:</b> Jane Standish, Carole Guthrie |
| <b>9.30AM MASS</b>                                                                                                            | <b>Reader</b> Martin Newington<br><b>Commentator</b> Elizabeth Newington<br><b>Special Minister</b> Mary Nayna<br><b>Welcomers:</b> Maree & Phillip Morris    | <b>11AM MASS</b>                                  | <b>Reader</b> Michelle Campbell<br><b>Commentator</b> Lucy Cameron<br><b>Special Minister</b> Jaun Wilson<br><b>Welcomers:</b> Christine & Les D'Cruze    |
| <b>Counters:</b> <b>Aspendale:</b> Ron Soares, Anthony Barnhoorn                                                              |                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Mordialloc:</b> 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:**



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| <b>Fr Andrew Jekot</b> 9412 8432     | <b>Susan Dornom</b> 0413 979 049   |                                    |
| <b>Trish Angliss</b> 0421 604 849    | <b>Louise Breslin</b> 0415 963 799 | <b>Judy Dickinson</b> 0407 865 522 |
| <b>Joanne Partleton</b> 0413 133 184 | <b>Deb Poynton</b> 0403 471 931    | <b>Robyn Worsnop</b> 0412 814 592  |

# 14th Ordinary Sunday:

## Recently Deceased:

Dalia Petraitis (daughter in-law of Nola Petraitis)  
Danny Sexton (husband of Jacky Sexton,  
father of Amanda Bater & Katherine Morrissey)

**Anniversaries:** Andrew O'Farrell, John Collins, Mollie Donegan, Mabel Frawley, Damian Gilbert, John Jekot, Eileen Hager, Frank Buttigieg, Janice Pickles, Maisie Holbery, Bishop John Jobst, Bob Scardoni, Rita Howard, Sarah McVay, Esther Toner, Joseph Bartlett (58/59 Battalion), Natividad Awa, Mary Frank, Moya Glenister, Frances O'Keeffe, James Holbery, Joanne Sharpe, Catherine Gavan, Charles Harrison, Linda Lourey, Fred Marshall, Natividad Marquez, Antony Wakelin, Colleen Wilson, Carol Bayard, Dorothy Carter, Christina Dunmall, Mary Dunne, Beryl Lowe, Bernie Noonan, Mary Valastro.

**Healing Prayers Asked For:** Jarrad Le Brocq, Peter Waltho, Lindsey Edwards, Laura Bruder, Liam Campbell, David Marshall, Helen Pedrazzini, Peter Spencer, John Meneses, George Caruana, Salvatore (Sam) Finocchiaro, Bernadette Munro, Maureen Hepburn. (If you know of anyone who needs prayers or a pastoral visit please contact the Parish Office.)



**Baptisms:** There is a Baptism Service on this Sunday at 12.30pm at St Louis'. We welcome in to our Parish family: **Lee Jarrad Martin**  
**Luca Martin**  
**Billie Sylvia Whitehouse**



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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](http://www.sbmord.catholic.edu.au)

St Louis de Montfort's School,

37 Dolphin St,

Aspendale

9580 5169

[www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au)



## Parish Masses:

### WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH

Due to the easing of restrictions you can once again attend without booking but Government regulations require that everyone uses our **QR code** when they attend Mass. This gives the Government immediate access to attendance records for tracing purposes if necessary. Parishioners with smart phones can QR code themselves in and newcomers will QR code in those who are unable to do this.



## WEEKEND MASS BOOKINGS

*There is no need to book for any of our Masses at the moment as it is unlikely we will exceed our limit*

STREAMING

**ONLINE**

LIVE

**Live Streaming of Masses:** Our Parish is now

live streaming our weekend Masses

To view go to:

<https://youtu.be/7nHV5zZtlag> for 6pm Mass at St Louis' or

<https://youtu.be/Z9NG5S4qWQ4> for 8am Mass at St Brigid's

or to our website [www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale](http://www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale)

or search You Tube for 'Catholic Mass with Fr Andrew'

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



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

