



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 Ordinary Sunday – 13th June 2021

Our readings are: **EZEKIEL 17: 22-24; 2 CORINTHIANS 5: 6-10; MARK 4: 26-34**

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

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**[www.melbcatholic.org/
mordialloc-aspendale](http://www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale)**



Gospel Reflection: from Jodie Marziano

This Sunday's gospel is made up of two parables- both using the image of the seed and how it grows and bears fruit to describe the Kingdom of God. In many ways, parables are brain-teasers. Jesus states that the reign of God is like seed that takes root and grows and produces in secret places within human reality. In fact it is usually found in places where one would least expect to find it – among the poor and despised, in the hearts of those who suffer, in the lives of the persecuted. The potential of the reign of God is often contained in what appears to be inconsequential. Yet it thrives in its own mysterious ways..

In these parables Jesus tells us about how unobtrusive and unnoticeable our growth in the Christian life can be. For this reason Jesus never ceases to remind us that we must listen and make our own all of the signs of his love in our own lives, in the lives of our family and friends, as well as in all things when seen as gifts

We are called to reflect- Do I see signs of the kingdom in my own life and in today's Church? Even in today's world? What is my role in the kingdom? Our role in life is to sow seeds and not to be preoccupied with producing a harvest. The seed given us is the word of God that serves to bring about a Kingdom of justice, love and peace. We have a contribution to make, small though it may seem. We have to begin somewhere, perhaps with a small initiative. We also need to remember that seeds grow when the conditions are right. They need light, heat and energy. God's kingdom of love grows slowly and demands patience and faith.

As Pope Francis states 'The victory of the Lord is certain: *his love will make every seed of goodness present on the ground sprout and grow.* This

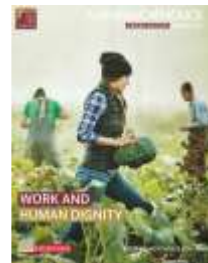
opens us up to trust and hope, despite the tragedies, the injustices, the sufferings that we encounter. The seed of goodness and peace sprouts and develops, because the merciful love of God makes it ripen.'

Mark 4:26-34



Parish Events:

Australian Catholics: Copies of the Winter edition of **Australian Catholics** magazine are now available. It features several articles on the theme: *'Work and Human Dignity'* and celebrates the Year of St Joseph who is the patron saint of workers. Pick up your free copy from the Church Foyer.



Scripture & Friendship Group: meet on **2nd & 4th Tuesday** of each month and their next gathering is this week on **Tuesday 22nd June 10am - 11.30am**. All welcome to join to discuss and share the relevance of the Sunday Gospel to our daily lives. For more info contact:

Ann Brennan 0425 712 741 or Carmel Barker 0425 773 608



St Mary of the Cross Prayer Group will resume meeting and praying the rosary together after all the 'Open the Doors' meetings have finished in July.

'Take the Way of the Gospel – Re-Imagining our Local Church as Mission Communities'

On Pentecost Sunday, Archbishop Comensoli released a pastoral letter inviting us to re-imagine our local Church as Mission communities and called for our participation in a time of prayer, listening and discernment. To assist you to engage with the heart of this renewed vision for our Archdiocese, opportunities for prayerful reflection and dialogue will be offered over the coming months through an **online weekly prayer session** as well as an **online workshop** that will engage deeply with the content of the pastoral letter. Go to www.melbcatholic.org



Copies of Archbishop Comensoli's Pastoral Letter are available in the Church Foyer or go to: <https://melbournecatholic.org/news/archbishop-comensoli-releases-pastoral-letter-at-pentecost>



Weekend Mass Count: During the month of May we gathered data on Mass attendance as part of the National Attendance Count under the direction of the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference. To view a short summary of the results, please refer to our parish website: www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale

Spirituality in the Pub (SIP) Guest Speaker Prof Mary Coloe will speak on: **Who was at the Last Supper? – Do you believe Da Vinci or the Gospels?** on **Tuesday 22nd June** Meal from 6pm Presentation from **7.30pm** at **Hampton RSL, 25 Holyrood Rd, Hampton** **Bookings: 9598 0460**



BASP Trivia Fundraiser St Mary's Hampton invite you to participate in their annual Online Trivia Fundraiser for Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project (BASP) on **Friday 16th July at 7.30pm**



The suggested minimum donation is \$30 per person.

Contact the Parish Office if you wish to join our JAG members at this event.

International Day Against Child Labour is **Saturday 12th June**.

Almost one in ten of all children worldwide are in child labour. To help keep them out of the supply chain we can consume responsibly by buying slave free chocolate, tea, coffee, sports equipment and clothing – made without child labour.

For more info go to www.acrath.org.au

Catholic Theological College Open Day: "Getting Started in Theology"

There are 3 free online information sessions in June

Book via <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/open-days/>



Parish News:

Opening the Doors – Christ's Love at the Centre of our Parish

The last two of our "Opening the Doors" Parish Renewal presentations will now be held on; *(if restrictions permit)*

Tuesday 29th June at 7.30pm at St. Louis'
and Tuesday 6th July at 7.30pm at St. Louis'

We are now half way through our 4-week series of presentations on our parish renewal.

In **Week 1** we reviewed where the Catholic Church is at in Australia and what has been happening in our own parish.

In **Week 2** we shared where our Church and Parish is being called, a return to the Great Commission that Jesus gave to his disciples over 2000 years ago:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded of you."
(Matthew 28:19-20)

We are called to love God, love others and make disciples, this is our parish mission.

In **Week 3 – 29th June The Five Foundations for Renewal** We will outline the 5 Foundations for healthy, fruitful parish growth, and explain the process going forward.

In **Week 4 – 6th July – Bringing it all Together / How you can serve the Parish.** We will bring everything together, with a clear plan of action that invites your participation. Even if you haven't been able to attend the first two weeks, I encourage you to attend the remaining two weeks. Please do join me

Fr Andrew



First Eucharist Masses: The four special First Eucharist Masses for the Year 4 students at St Louis' School that did not take place because of lockdown have been rescheduled for next term. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they wait patiently to receive this sacrament for the first time.



Next Week's Roster:

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 19th & 20th June 2021: READERS - please see Father before Mass

Our readings are: **JOB 38: 1, 8-11; 2 CORINTHIANS 5: 14-17; MARK 4: 35-41**

6PM MASS Reader Julie Barnhoorn
Commentator Joanne Partleton
Special Minister Anthony Barnhoorn
Welcomers: deb Poynton, Ann Brennan

8AM MASS Reader Joan Healy
Commentator Graham Jones
Special Minister Fred Burns
Welcomers: Carole & Jack Guthrie

9.30AM MASS Reader Len Scott
Commentator Brenda O'Leary
Special Minister Elizabeth Newington
Welcomers: Joe Corda, Elva Judd

11AM MASS Reader Carmel Girolami
Commentator Dianne Wain
Special Minister Carolyn Ellul
Welcomers: Christine & Les D'Cruze

Counters: Aspendale: Joanne & Gary Partleton

Mordialloc: Glenice Laughlin, Debra Joseph

New Roster: for Readers, Special Ministers, Counters and Welcomers for the next few months will be available this week.



PLEASE NOTE that all volunteers who do not have a current Working With Children Check will be omitted from this roster. Volunteers should also have read and signed a copy of our Child Safety Code of Conduct. Copies are available at the

Church or on our website. If you have any concerns about any Child Safety issues

please contact our **Child Safeguarding Team:**



Fr Andrew Jekot 9412 8432

Susan Dornom 0413 979 049

Trish Angliss 0421 604 849

Louise Breslin 0415 963 799

Judy Dickinson 0407 865 522

Joanne Partleton 0413 133 184

Deb Poynton 0403 471 931

Robyn Worsnop 0412 814 592

11th Ordinary Sunday:

Recently Deceased:

Maree Purcell (Aspendale)
Shirley Earp (Mordialloc)

Anniversaries:

Dorothy McClure,
Marciano Perseveranda (Jnr), Ignatious Asciak,
Mary Sparey, Francesco Taranto, Paul Williams,
Catherine Brady, Margery Bridger, John Coghlan, Dianee Grayland,
Ree Pierce, Helena Taylor, Joy Ambrens, Rose Calleja, Ken Lyons,
Flora & Marion Mendonça, Anthony Murphy, Mervyn Garing,
Mary Gowans, Joan Bristow, Harry Pobjoy, Dorothy & Ron Sellar,
Liam Andrews, Sarah Collins, Antonio Divola, Aileen Egan,
Patricia Moore, Ceriaco Baldano Olaso, Maria Owen-Tucker.

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



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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

St Louis de Montfort's School,
37 Dolphin St,
Aspendale
9580 5169



www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au



Baptisms: There is several Baptisms this weekend.

We welcome in to our Parish family:

Ryder David Kane

Willow Nellie Kane

Bohdi Ronald Kane

Jaxon Michael Hugon

Jack James Jewell

First Reconciliation: Congratulations to our
Catechist children who will be making their First
Reconciliation this **Tuesday 15th June at St Louis'.**



Parish Masses:

MASS ARE BACK ON THIS WEEK.

Due to the easing of restrictions we are now again able to
hold Masses but numbers are restricted. This week **only 50
people can attend** so booking is essential. *(see below)*

It is hoped that there will be further easing of restrictions
soon to allow even more to attend Mass.

WEEKEND MASS BOOKINGS

Book online at <https://www.trybooking.com/BMGLK>
or contact the **Parish Office 9580 7981**

*There is no need to book for any of the weekday Masses
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/Q-PPqdiM25Y> for 6pm Mass at St Louis' or
<https://youtu.be/R3KttR-WXHs> for 8am Mass at St Brigid's
or to our website 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.

