



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

Mordialloc and Aspendale | Bunurong Country

EMBODYING CHRIST'S LOVE TO LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 09 July 2023

Our readings are from Year A: Zechariah 9:9-10, Romans 8:9,11-13, Matthew 11:25-30

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

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**Fr Andrew, Fr Ignatius, Trish Angliss,
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GOSPEL REFLECTION

In the modern world today, not many people like to admit themselves as a loser, or humble enough to say that I do not know. In Jesus' prayer, he praises God the Father for revealing the mystery of the kingdom of heaven to the humble people. Why do we need a humble

and contrite heart to receive the Good News? Perhaps, when we put highly on ourselves, our intelligence, and our cleverness, we tend to lose sight of our weakness, our vulnerability, our insecurity. We need God to fill in that space for us, to make us strong, and be perfect in God's aid.

Jesus, our Lord has seemed to be a loser in his missionary works, he was rejected and persecuted by the Scribes and Pharisees. He was subjected to cruel tortures by the Roman authorities and died. All seems finished and no hope; but God the Father raised Jesus up from the dead, given a new body, and new hope.

Jesus said: "Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest." Jesus offers himself to carry our burden, so that it is more manageable to bear.

A good friend of mine, Geraldine, suffered from stage four cancer when she was in her 50s. She remained very positive and optimistic when she underwent chemotherapy, even though she suffered from the side-effects of the treatments. She journeys every day with Jesus, clinging to him and asking God for healing, physical and spiritually. She drew strength from God through reading and reflecting the bible, and through the Holy Eucharist. When she felt better physically, she went to the hospitals to visit patients who suffered from cancer like her. She also showed her hospitality by inviting friends over for meals and fellowship. Like what Jesus said: "My yoke is easy and my burden light." Geraldine had lived out her life truly a disciple of Jesus. She embraced her every day to God. Even though she had lost her battle from cancer, her faithfulness and resilience had inspired everyone who knew her. Geraldine is now resting in the bosom of God's hands.



Fr Ignatius Tan - Assistant Priest

PARISH NEWS

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN OUR NEW 'BOB'S KNITTING & CROCHET CLUB'

Calling all knitters, crochet lovers and anyone else who would like to learn about knitting and crochet and do so in a friendly, welcoming group. We are delighted to establish



this new group, with due respect and love to the previous Parish Knitting Group of the beloved **Margaret McCormack (RIP)**. The group led by Monique Bruce & Loiusie Breslin will meet on the 3rd Friday of the month from 10.00-12.30 pm initially at St Louis' but also at St Brigid's. We will have a cuppa, a laugh and chat whilst knitting or crocheting to provide items for refugees and asylum seekers for the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project, the St John Paul College Homeless Programme, St Kilda Mums, amongst others. Our first get together will be **Friday 21st of July from 10-12.30 pm at St Louis'**. Even if you can't knit or crochet you are very welcome as there will be friends who will teach you. We would love to have donations of wool from those who can't attend, or knitted items that you complete at home. Look out for the wool donation boxes in our Church foyers. And why is it called 'Bob's Knitting & Crochet Club'? You will need to read the next Blessings Parish Magazine to find out.

CUPPA WEEKEND

This weekend is a cuppa weekend! Could we kindly ask welcomers to help with the setting up of the kitchen. Thank you for your help.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

The recent collection for "Peter's Pence" totalled \$900 in donations. Your generosity is appreciated.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS

The choir is looking for further musically minded parishioners to join our music ministry. If this sounds like something you would be interested in please contact Trish Angliss on trish.angliss@cam.org.au or 0421 604 849.



PARISH NEWS

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Have you ever thought about doing the sacraments and expanding your faith? What about joining with your children as they go through the sacramental program at school? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begins with a 'come and see' information night on **Thursday 20 July at 7:30pm at St. Louis'.** RCIA is for: Adults who are not baptised;

Adults baptised in another Christian Church or faith; non-practising Catholics wishing to renew their faith. Phone the Parish office for more information on 9580-7981. **"Come and see".**



SAVE THE DATE: 27 JULY 7.30PM AT ST LOUIS INFORMATION NIGHT ON THE VOICE TO PARLIAMENT



VOICE TO PARLIAMENT

Please use the link to take you to a considered article by unbiased experts in their field. It may help in forming your thinking and decision when we are called to vote in the referendum later in the year.

[Why a First Nations Voice should come before Treaty \(theconversation.com\)](https://theconversation.com/why-a-first-nations-voice-should-come-before-treaty)

COMMISSIONING OF PILGRIMS FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 - Emilia Wisniewski 8am Mass

WYD2023 Pilgrims will be commissioned by the Archbishop at a Commissioning Mass on Sunday 16 July 2023, 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral. Today we have a special blessing within our community to present the WYD2023 candle to our pilgrim **Emilia Wisniewski** before the Commissioning Mass, signifying prayers and support for her journey to Lisbon and a faith-filled experience.

NEW ROSTER

The next roster from the 5th of August to the 26th of November will be issued mid July. If you are going to be away during this time or don't wish to be on the roster please let the parish office know by the 13th of July. New Volunteers are most welcome, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office to find out more about how you can volunteer. All volunteers are required to have a Working With Children Card linked to our parish and some volunteer roles require a current Police Check.

JAG SOCK AND BEANIE DRIVE

Thank You to everyone who donated to the JAG sock and beanie drive. We received over 100 pairs of socks, cash, beanies, gloves, hoodies, scarves and hand knitted blankets. It has been distributed amongst Dandenong and Frankston areas.

LONG BEACH LUNCHEON

The next luncheon will be held at Longbeach Hotel Nepean Highway on Wednesday **19 July**. Arrive at 12:30 for a 1pm lunch. For bookings ring Keith on 0417-350-733 or Patricia on 0448-866-020.

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Our new Men's Parish Fellowship Group gathered for the first time recently to 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. Our next gathering will be on **Thursday 13th July at 7.30pm at St Louis'.** All men are welcome even if you didn't come to the first meeting.

Any questions, please contact Fr. Ignatius.



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

RECENTLY DECEASED

ANNIVERSARIES

Linda Lourey, Antony Wakelin, Colleen Wilson, Charles Harrison, Catherine Gavan, Natividad Marquez, Fred Marshall, Bernie Noonan, Christina Dunmall, Beryl Lowe, Dorothy Carter, Mary Valastro, Carol Bayard, Mary Dunne, Jim Lourey, Sam Naicker, Annie Louis, Felix Babasa, Brian Fallon, John Wise, Irene Sheehan, Alfio Musumeci, Eilene Hannan, Barbara Fernandes, Mary Violet McVeigh, Wesley Lazarus, P.K. Johnson, Angelina Fernandes, Arthur Edwards, Lois McMahon, Dorothy Taylor, Dorreen Dunn, Elvis Rodrigues, Laurie George, Nelle Rafter, Nina Dowker, Yvette Parfait, Liz Jones, Carmel Furlong, Iolanda Cardamone, Keith Williams, Dominco Vinci, Eileen Walsh, Danny Sexton, Eric D'Cruze, Pasquale Tomasiello, Laura Tomasiello, Francesco Pruscino, Giuseppina Pruscino, Assunta Retino

HEALING PRAYERS ASKED FOR

David Austin, Sr Anita Le Clercq, Susan Waltho, Christine Wagstaff, John Nicholson, Brenda Cortese, Sophia Bicos, Julie Griffith, Maree Burns, Josephine Wood, Sue Kelly, Nellie Julian, Michelle Ives, Carmel & Brian Grace, Graham Owen, Danielle Spencer, Pam Ulbrick, Serena Zienau, Minnie Joseph, Judy Callmac, Sam Finnochiaro, Anne, Claire, Matt

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'

KIDZ 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

15th Sunday in Ord Time - Readings (Year A) Isaiah 55:10-11 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23

15th & 16th July	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer	Sacristan
6:00pm (A)	Julie Buick	Joanne Partleton	Marg De Vries	Bernie Stuart	Carmel Barker	Julie Barnhoorn	Anthony Barnhoorn	Marie Medlicott
8.00am (M)	Angela Meo	Barry Wheeler	Jane Standish	Marlene Tangso	Stephen Pooley	Joan Healy	Jack Meyer	Pamela Shanley
9.30am (A)	Gen Martin	Brian Martin	Ron Schneider-Loos	Elizabeth Newington	Volunteer	Carmel Smith	Mary Nayna	Susan Dornom
11:00am (M)	Lesley Bailey	Mark Carrazzo	Louise Breslin	Peter Hannan	Michele Meachen	Judy Lamb	MaryAnn Farren	Glenice Laughlin

Counters

Group 1 - Gary Partleton, Joanne Partleton, Ron Soares

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.



Our Parish acknowledges that we gather, pray and live on the land of the Bunurong People of the Kulin Nation, and pay our respect to Elders, past, present and emerging.

