



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.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 11 September 2022

Our readings are: Exodus 32:7-11, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-32

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**

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Ann Fitzgerald

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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 parables making up the Gospel this weekend are rightly described as the '*Parables of the Lost*' and are unique to the gospel of Luke. They are used to further highlight a theme that runs throughout this gospel: the release and acceptance of those who are oppressed and afflicted. It stems from the declaration of Jesus' mission in Ch 4 when he reads from the scroll of Isaiah. More than any other gospel, this one portrays Jesus as having a special care and compassion for those who have been rejected by society.

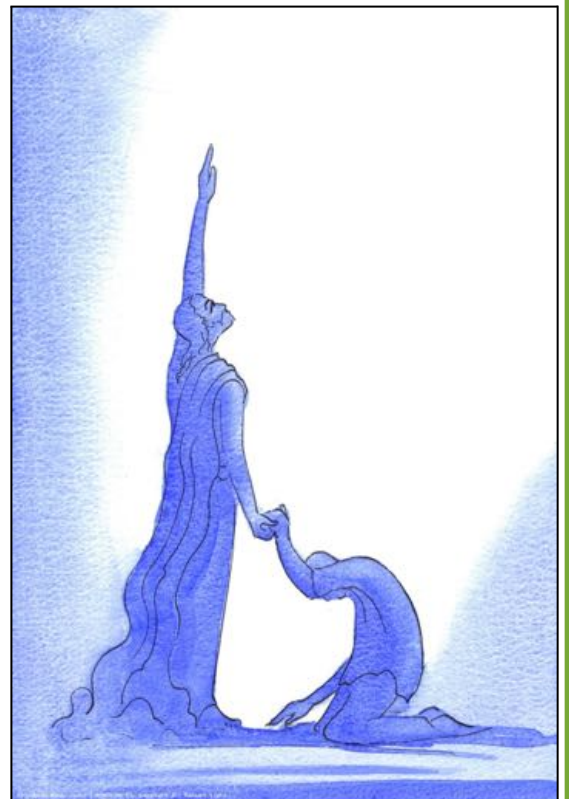
The gospel passage begins with an accusation that Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. This is the gravest social accusation one could level at another because who you ate with was a reflection of your own status. To welcome sinners and to eat with them was to effectively become one of them yourself. In response to this accusation, rather than mounting an argument, the gospel writer has Jesus tell three parables about the lost being found. The answer to the accusation is that those dismissed as '*sinners*' are the '*lost*' who will

be celebrated with extravagant rejoicing when they have been '*found*' again through their acceptance of the message of Jesus.

The Pharisees see Jesus' welcome to sinners, who do not deserve to be loved by God, and are angered by it. They have not realised that no-one deserves God's love – it is a free and lavish gift. It is the sinners, who know they don't deserve this, who are most grateful and want to celebrate this with Jesus. But the parable points out that there is room at Jesus' table for the Pharisees as well as the sinners. All are welcome, but it means accepting Jesus' table companions.

Who is welcome at your table?

by Jodie Marziano



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

Parish News

Mass Schedule Updates

While Fr Andrew is away from 9 September to 7 October, there will be a few changes to our Mass schedule. Please extend a **warm welcome to Fr Elio Capra and Fr Peter Matheson** who will be assisting during this time.

1. Masses at St Brigid's on **Wednesday 14th & 28th September will be at 09.30am** and not 10am.
2. **Fr Elio Capra** will be officiating Mass on the weekends of the **11th and 18th September**, at the **9:30am Mass - St Louis' and 11am Mass - St Brigid's**.
3. **Fr Peter Matheson** will be officiating Mass on the weekend of the **25th September**, at the **8am Mass - St Brigid's and 11am Mass - St Brigid's**.

Father's Day Appeal last Weekend

Thank you for your contribution to The Priests Retirement Foundation. The Archdiocese is deeply grateful for the support during last week's Father's Day Appeal. Because of the generosity of our parish The Priests Retirement Foundation can contribute to the ongoing care of retired priests across the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Thank you for helping those in need!

Child Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

Our Parish Safeguarding Team would like to inform all Parish volunteers that it is now a safeguarding requirement for them to complete an online Essential Safeguarding Training Program. This is to make sure everyone understands the importance of child safety and our responsibilities. To access this online training go to: safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org. To login, you will need your WWCC number and your email address. **All Parish volunteers** are expected to complete this training as part of our compliance for child safeguarding and your participation will be recorded.

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: signup.formed.org - Enter our parish's postcode (3195) - Enter your name and your email address. Now you are ready to start watching. Every week there are new content suggestions, like the one below.



FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Every year Catholics celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, but why? Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers as they discuss the history and meaning behind this feast.

Dr. Tim Gray & Dr. Ben Akers

FORMEDNOW

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and [graciarum.com.au](http://www.graciarum.com.au)

Scripture and Friendship Group

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday 13th September**. We will meet at Ann's home (*welcome back Ann*) at 47 Gothic Road Aspendale at 10am. A time for a cuppa, a chat and discussion / reflection on the Sunday's gospel in friendship and faith. This group is open to all — come and see. For more info contact Ann on 0425 712 741 or Carmel on 0425 773 608.

Would you like to help make a difference to someone in need?

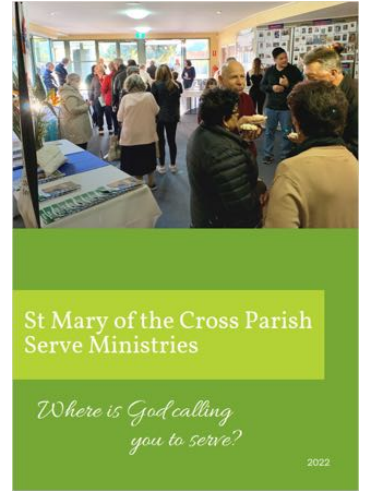
St Vincent de Paul Society offers many different ways to volunteer and assist the marginalised in Society. For more information on volunteer opportunities at your local conferences in Aspendale and Mordialloc contact Susan on 0413 979 049 or scc.pres@svdp-vic.org.au.

Parish News

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, in particular Welcome Ministers, Music Ministry, Kidz Zone leaders and Altar & Flower Display Ministers. If you would like to know more about any of these serve ministry roles please pick up a copy of the Serve Ministries booklet and registration form at the Welcome Desk or online at the 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.



JAG News



Our next Justice Action Group Meeting is on Wednesday 14 September at 7.30pm at St Louis'. All are welcome to attend. If you are interested in understanding issues of social justice including the treatment of People seeking asylum & refugees; First Nations People; Human Trafficking; Inter-Faith initiatives; Care for the Environment and Domestic violence & homelessness, please do think about joining the group.

September is the season of creation. This month, JAG and our Parish Earthcare Group would like to highlight the issues of our First Nations People.

The Uluru Statement of the Heart is displayed in the Church Foyers for parishioners to read. JAG is also highlighting the work of the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation and asking for your support. A donation of \$50 can provide a box of books for an Indigenous family, \$500 can pay for a term of online tutoring! Donations can be made directly or via the JAG Jar and donation receipts are available upon request.

March for the Babies 2022

Please keep this date free – **8th October** – and come to show your support for the unborn. Join us for the 2022 March for the Babies. We'll be gathering in **Treasury Gardens at 12:30pm** and walking to Parliament House at 1:00pm. Come and help us celebrate life, EVERY life, great or small, born or unborn. Show your Support by wearing pink and/or blue.

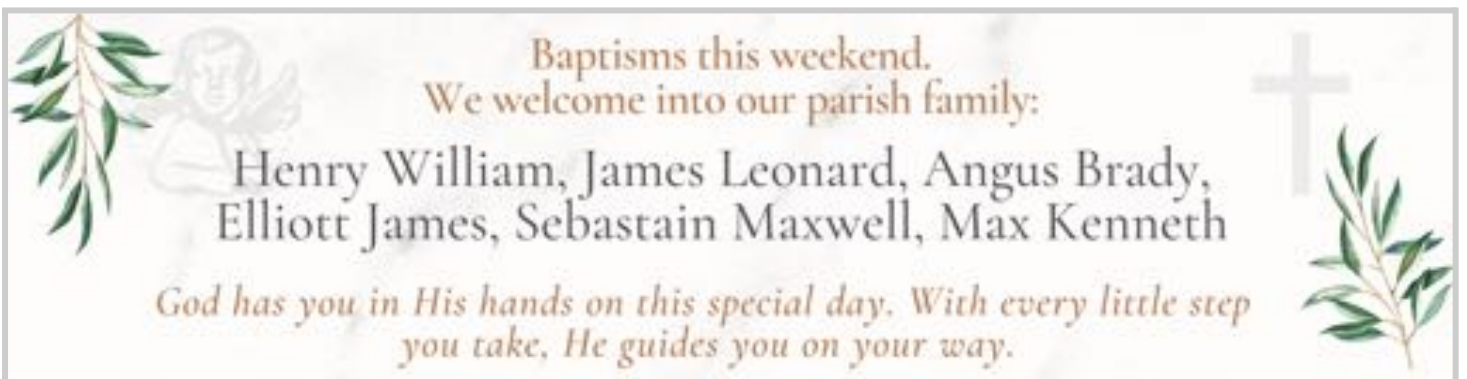


Prayer for the Royal Family

Almighty God, source of all consolation, we pray for the members of the Royal Family who mourn the loss of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

Uphold them in your love and pour out on them the consolation of your healing Spirit.

Let them find in your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ comfort in their sadness, certainty in their doubt and courage to live through this hour. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Recently Deceased

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Barry Garlick (St Louis')

Anniversaries

Andrew Atherton, Alex Baptist, William Blackie, Don Byrnes, Gary Callaghan, Glen Callaghan, Verlie Callaghan, Mary Coen, Ethel Cecilia Coghlan, Ribomapi Concon, Leonarda Costanzo, James Doran (snr), Freda Fernandez, Bridget Gallagher, Filippina Gazzo, Joan Jose, Denise McMahon, Julien Mendonça, Fr Peter Murray, Michael O'Leary, Janos Pastor, Maureen Payton, June Rosina Phippen, Sheila Popley, Gus Pottier, Anthony Purcell, Fr Michael Quigley, Hilary Rooney, Gordon Teasdale, Dea Thomson, Kurt Wessel, Kevin Worfolk

Healing Prayers Asked For

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 Finnochiaro, MaryJane Duffy, Lynch family, O'Shannessy family, Stone Family, Sharon Stephenson, Melvyn Porte, Graig dePalo, Margaret Beesley, Barbara Padfield, Rachael Salpietro

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 18 September 2022				
Readings (Year C): Amos 8: 4-7, 1 Tim 2: 1-8, Luke 16 : 1-13				
10th & 11th Sep	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	Jenny Ford	Tony Aloysious	Mick Barker	Michelle Campbell
Commentator	Bernie Stuart	Joan Healy	Gerard Wagstaff	Stefanie Carino
Special Minister	Marie Medlicott	Stephan Pooley	Ron Schneider-Loos	Judy Lamb
Welcomers	Sonia Williams Julie Buick	Barry Wheeler Jane Standish	Berna Wake Trish Le Brocq	Tung Phan Robyn Worsnop
Counters	Debra Joseph & Nelson Popley			
Sacristan	Susan Dornom	Fred Burns	Tony Allday	Glenice Laughlin

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.

I will rise and go to my father.



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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 9.30am - 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 SUNDAY

Our Parish Mission



Love God, Love Others,
Make Disciples