



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

EMBODYING CHRIST'S LOVE

Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Jekot, Assistant Priest: Fr Huy Nguyen Deacon: George Piech-Meat

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 19 January 2025

Readings for Year C Isaiah 62: 1-5 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11 John 2: 1-11

**“Be a gift of
love and
compassion
for one
another.”**

St Mary of the Cross
Mary MacKillop
Birthday 15 January
1842



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News and Announcements

Celebrating Mary MacKillop's Birthday - 15 January

Mary MacKillop's birth site 'Marino Cottage' in Brunswick Fitzroy has recently been upgraded and made more accessible to visitors. The area is called *The Mary MacKillop Garden*. The original monuments commemorating Mary's beatification and canonisation are located at the site which is just near St Vincent's Hospital. Well worth a visit if you are in the area, as is the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre located nearby at 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne. Opening hours are Monday - Friday 9.00- 4.30pm. Visit the website at <https://www.mmhc.org.au/>

Monday Communion Service

Monday Communion services at St Louis are taking a January break and will be back on 3rd February.

Parish Office Hours at St Louis' during the holiday period

Office resumes from Tuesday 28th January 2025. To contact Fr Andrew or Fr Huy during this time, please phone 9412 8432 or email: mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au



The Gospel of Luke presented by Patrick Jurd - Commencing Thursday 30th January 7.30pm at St Brigid's

This year - Year C in the church calendar, the Sunday Gospel readings come from the Gospel of Luke. The three sessions beginning on Thursday 30 January will help you to understand the Gospel better. Hopefully the sessions will also foster your faith and suggest how you might better live it. All are welcome to come along.



This Week on FORMED

Paul the Apostle: The Bible Collection

The Church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world. Access FORMED at <https://formed.org/>



Baptism Celebration

On Sunday 19 January we welcome into our parish family,

Florence Jane, Eliana Maree, Luke Phakin

God has you always in His hands.

With every step you take, He guides you on your way.



Curious about faith?

Try Alpha at St Mary of the Cross

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the basics of the Christian faith, in a friendly, open and informal space. Wherever you are in your faith journey, we invite you to come and experience Alpha. We share a meal together, we listen to a talk and then gather in small groups to explore some of life's big questions. If you attended one of our two Alpha sessions in 2024, we invite you to pray about inviting someone to our next Alpha commencing **Tuesday 11 February 6.30-8.30pm at St Brigid's Primary School Hall.**

All are welcome, no matter your background or belief, to come along to our first night to see if it is something that you would like to continue with. There is no pressure and no obligation. To assist us with catering (delicious dinner provided) please register at: <https://forms.gle/49Fw2P4UCEeLEUVz8> or simply scan the QR code **by Friday 7 February.**





Our Parish Mission is to **LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, MAKE DISCIPLES**

Our mission is anchored in:

Community

We aim to be a community that is welcoming, caring and inclusive, especially for those outside of the church. If you are new to the parish or just want to get better connected, please see a member of our Welcome Team who are available at every weekend Mass or speak to one of the Parish Leadership Team - Fr Andrew, Fr Huy, Trish Angliss or Berna Wake.

Worship & the Weekend Experience

We offer an experience of God's love with the weekend Mass at the heart of our community, with exceptional homilies, hymns, and hospitality, guided by the Holy Spirit. We encourage everyone to invite a friend or family member to experience our Church community.

Grow Deeper

We encourage all to grow in faith in a community of belonging, living in accordance with Jesus' teaching. From small groups to Alpha and regular learning and formation opportunities, there is a pathway to suit all. The weekly Bulletin provides details throughout the year.

Serve

We invite, encourage and support everyone to serve in a ministry that makes the best use of their gifts and time. Serving God through a parish is one of the most rewarding ways to show our love for Christ and each other. Our Serve Ministry booklet gives details on the many roles we offer. Pick up a copy in the church foyers or online at our [**parish website**](#).

Archbishop's Campaign 2024



We are pleased to share the success of the inaugural Archbishop's Campaign and sincerely thank you for your generosity and support.

Together, parishes across the Archdiocese raised \$811,178 including \$4,421 contributed by St Mary of the Cross, Mordialloc and Aspendale Parish. These funds will support vital mission areas such as the Priests Retirement Foundation, the John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, Corpus Christi College, Catholic Theological College and the Archbishop's Evangelisation Initiatives. Thank you for being part of this important campaign and for living out your faith with action.

NEXT WEEK'S SERVE MINISTERS ROSTER - 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 25/26 JANUARY 2025

25/26 Jan	3rd Sunday in OT Readings Year C Nehemiah 8: 2-6, 8-10 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30 Luke 1: 1-4, 4: 14-21							Cuppa
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer	Prayer Ministers
6pm (A)	Carmel Barker	Marg De Vries	Julius Lau	Gail McGillivray	Michael Barker	Anne Marsh	Danny Carey	Bob Ward Ann Brennan
8.00am (M)	Graham Jones	Angela Meo	Jack Meyer	Barry Wheeler	Jack Guthrie	Joan Healy	Carole Guthrie	Josie Johnson Tony Aloysius
9.30am (A)	Elizabeth Newington	Martin Newington	Mary Nayna	Lesley-Anne Bailey	Alison Krishnadas	Jon Searle	Niko Tovia	Berna Wake Felice Cortese
11.00am (M)	Jennifer Rodrigues	Nola Petraitis	Peter Wain	Gail Bell	Louise Breslin	Vanessa Fernandes	Mary Ann Farren	Graham Harrison Ellen Young
Counters	Group 5	Anthony & Julie Barnhoorn						

Recently deceased: Fr Denis Carabott MSSP, Fr Babu Varghese Kattikattu MC.

Anniversaries: Anthony Brennan, Joyce Dover, Peter Hopkins, Cordeliar Gomez, James Burke, James Floria, Catello Ferraiuolo, Gordon Snelgrove, Luisa Salmeron, Maria Failla, James McQuillan, Angelo Francolini, Brigida Francolini, Kevin O'Connor, Mary (Molly) Hutchinson, Phillip Hutchinson, Dorothy Smith, Jean Aldridge, Kay Rosenbrock, John Carino, Trina Wilson, Thelma Mann, Annie Wright, Jamie Fennessy, Keith Porter, Lydia Alphonso, Gladys Sheriff, Donnamaree Rocks, Peter Cassidy, Peg McLaren, Michael Rowe, Brigida Solito, Stefna Solito, Gregorio Aparo, Dulcie Lazaroo, Marcella Maguire, Tommasina Arico, Judy Palmer, Tracy Finarelli, Nellie Turner, Norman Taylor, John Pedrazzini, Marie Joyce Sherlock, Polly Camilleri, Carmenu Franco, Angelo Trettel, John Kenny Ford.

Praying for the sick: Fr Terry Kean, Walter Young, Julie Griffiths, Naldi Junaldi, Nik Selepak, Sophia Bicos, Steve Gobac, Therese Brown, Maureen Fitzgerald, Fernanda Barbarino, John Nicholson, Peter Waltho, Ben Quirk, Sam Finnochiaro, Anne Burke, Michelle Ives, Graham Owen, Norreen Spies, Harry Spies, Caiden Hoare, Sarah Gilbert, Brenda Cortese, Peter Baxter, Deborah Hall, Donna Cardamone, Heidi Soeding, Janice Gillette, Nancy Selby, Desmond Dunn, Adam Taylor, Peter Shoppe, Natalian Constanzo, Flynn, Maree Wesols, Veronica Wesols, Andrea Williams, Fr Kevin Tortorelli (OFM), Joseph Michaleff, Geraldine Bennett, Charmaine Milne, Michelle Lieour, Louise Hawes, Virginia Hindall, Penny Proctor, Gail Bell.

WEEKEND MASSES

St Louis Saturday 6pm
St Brigid's Sunday 8am
St Louis Sunday 9.30am
St Brigid's Sunday 11am
Our 6pm Saturday Vigil & 8am Sunday Masses are live streamed and can be accessed at:
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WEEKDAY MASSES

St Louis Mon 9.15am Communion Service
St Louis Tuesday 9.15am,
St Brigid's Wed 10am,
St Louis Thurs 9.15am,
St Brigid's Fri 11.30am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND ROSARY

St Brigid's every Fri 10.30am
St Louis 1st Sat of the month 4.30pm

RECONCILIATION

St Brigid's Friday's 12pm
St Louis Saturday's 5.30pm

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Fr Andrew, Fr Huy, Trish Angliss, Berna Wake

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and human dignity of children, young people & adults at risk in our community.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING TEAM:

Fr Andrew Jekot 03 9412 8432
Fr Huy Nguyen 03 9412 8432
Trish 0421 604 849
Louise 0415 963 799
Joe 0407 354 568
Helen 0498 178 899
Joanne 0413 133184
Robyn 0412 814 592

Growing in Community & Belonging at St Mary of the Cross



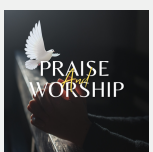
Children's Liturgy

5 - 12-year-olds.
4th weekend of the month. All masses except 8am.



Prayer Ministry

Intercessory prayer.
Last weekend of the month - all masses.



Praise & Worship

3rd Friday of month
7.30 - 9.5 8.30pm.
Alternates between each church.

Pastoral care

If you would like a pastoral visit, Helen is available to drop by for a chat or to organise some help if required.

Please contact the office at
mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au

Contact us

Parish Office: 03 9580 7981
OPEN Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday's 9am to 4.30pm
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Our Parish acknowledges that we gather, pray and live on the land of the Bunurong People of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders, past, present and emerging. We recognise their continued connection to Country, and we thank them for their role in caring for, and maintaining Country and waterways, over thousands of generations.