



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

Mordialloc and Aspendale | Bunurong Country

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

**Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Jekot, Assistant Priest: Fr Ignatius Tan,
Deacon: George Piech-Meat**

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 September 2024

Readings for Year B: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8; James 1:18-18,22,27; Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23



*The true core - love of God,
love of neighbours*

Jesus emphasises that the purity in our hearts is reflected in our actions. The people criticising him say that the cleansing rituals required by Law stops them from becoming 'ritually unclean'.

But, how much time, money, and energy do we invest in cosmetics, hair products, etc- just so we have the appearance of being popular and successful? Can any of these products actually make someone a better person?

How much energy goes into making ourselves better people? What opportunities are there for people to see what's on the inside of a person? What steps can be taken to improve yourself from the inside?

The Pope reminds us that , 'the Lord invites us to avoid the danger of giving more importance to form than to substance. He calls us to recognise, ever anew, what is the true core of the experience of faith, that is, love of God and love of neighbour.'

**Wendy Sullivan
St Brigid's Primary School Principal**

**Our 6pm Saturday Vigil & 8am Sunday Masses are live streamed and can be accessed at:
m.stmaryofthecross.com/mass**

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.

Announcements



Alpha begins Tuesday 3 September

We held our first parish Alpha in April-May this year and it was a wonderful experience for so many, with the Gospel articulated in a simple and compelling way, frank discussion about who is Jesus and what are his messages for each of us. Each week we share a meal, watch the Alpha video and then have a friendly discussion, listening to one another and deepening our faith and respect for each other.

We are now launching our second Alpha and ask all who attended our first Alpha to invite a friend or family member to come to our Alpha Launch Night on **Tuesday 3 September at 7pm** for drinks and nibbles and an intro to Alpha at **St. Brigid's Primary School Hall (enter and park via Barkly Stret)**. It will be casual and fun. If you would like to come along, it's not too late, so why not bring a friend or family member to see what Alpha is all about. Please register via the QR code, at the Welcome Desk or at our parish website.



Alpha April-May

St Mary of the Cross Bob's Knitting Group



Bob's Knitting Group

As the warmer months approach, it's time to prepare for next winter. If you're an all year crafter, switch to cotton and quick & easy items such as beanies, socks or squares for blankets. Knitted or crochet squares should measure 20 x 20cm & remember to leave a long tail for sewing up. Once again, a huge thank you to all who supported us this past winter. Monique ♥ (P.S. Bob's was the name of Mary McKillop's beloved dog.)

Holy Rosary and Adoration

All are welcome for Holy Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday 7 September** from **4.30-5.30pm** at **St. Louis' Church**. Reconciliation will be offered at 5.30pm, & our Saturday Vigil Mass is at 6.00pm. Please note that we also offer Holy Rosary every Friday at St Brigid's 10.30am ahead of our Friday Mass at 11.00am.

New Serve Ministry Roster

The new roster for September to December has been emailed out to all our serve ministers. If you require a hard copy they are available at the Welcome Desk.

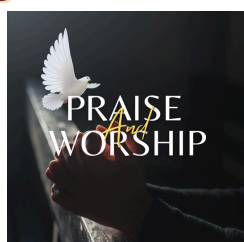
Would you like to serve in our parish?

We encourage and invite everyone to step up and serve God and our parish. When you do, you find you are rewarded in many ways. To see our Serve Ministries please pick up a booklet in our parish foyers or access online at our [parish website](#).

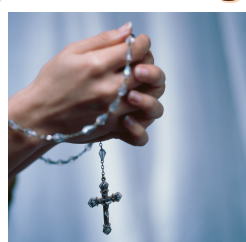
Growing in Community and Belonging at St Mary of the Cross



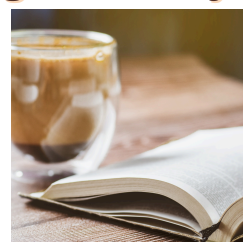
Children's Liturgy.
4-10-year-olds.
4th weekend of
the month.



Praise & Worship.
3rd Friday of
the month
7.30-8.30pm.



Rosary & Adoration.
1st Saturday of the
month 4.30-5.30pm
St. Louis'.



Scripture & Friendship.
2nd & 4th Tuesday
of the month
10-11.30am.



Prayer Ministry.
Intercessory prayer.
last weekend of the
month - all masses.

Announcements

SILENT AUCTION

Support a worthy cause and make a difference for refugees & asylum seekers. Bid on over 50 unique items while helping those in need.

Bidding starts 5pm
Friday 6 September &
ends 5pm Sunday
8 September, 2024.



Beautiful handmade quilt



Wine



Unique Print

SCAN HERE →



or follow the link at:
<https://airauctioneer.com/jag-basp-online-auction-2024>

Season of Creation 2024



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
(cf. Rom 8:19-25)

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to listen and care for our common home. The "Celebration" begins 1 September, the Feast of Creation, and ends 4 October, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. This year's theme is **"To hope and act with Creation"**

We will be celebrating the Season of Creation throughout September but will have an emphasis on the weekend of **14/15**. On that weekend we will ask you to bring along some **'fruits of the earth'** that we can collect and then donate to Vinnies and Parkdale Pantry to be distributed to those in need.

Homeless in Kingston

An urgent call has been sent out for woolen blankets for the homeless and victims of domestic and family violence within the City of Kingston. If you can assist, please leave your clean blankets in the containers in the church foyer.



Child Safety Training

All our Serve Ministers are required to be compliant with our Child Safeguarding Policy. This includes a current WWCC linked to our parish, signing our Code of Conduct and online training through the Archdiocese of Melbourne website. For those who have been unable to do the online training, we will be holding a further face to face group training opportunity to complete your compliance.

Sunday 1 September 10.30am at St. Louis. Call Trish for any enquiries **0421 604 849**.

Online Information session on the Permanent Diaconate

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

Online Diaconate information meeting:

Tuesday, 24 September · 19:30 – 21:00

Location: via ZOOM.

Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison.

Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au

In the week before the session the ZOOM link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.



This Week on FORMED - Pope St Gregory the Great

In the history of the church there are fewer than 5 popes who have been esteemed with the title "the Great". As one of the lesser known members, Pope St Gregory the Great is known for his prolific writing, radical humility and emphasis on mission. Enjoy this discussion with Dr Tim Gray & Dr John Sehorn.

Go to formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Next Week's Serve Ministers Roster - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7/8 September 2024

7/8 Sept 2024	23 rd Sunday Ordinary Time Readings (Yr B)		Isiah 35: 4-7 James 2: 1-5 Mark 7: 31-37			CUPPA WEEKEND	
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer
6pm (A)	Year 1 Level Mass		Volunteer	Volunteer	Julius Lau	Annette Brilliant	Sonia Williams
8.00am (M)	Angela Meo	Frances North	Chris McAleer	Marlene Tangso	Jack Meyer	Tony Aloysius	Odette Budge
9.30am (A)	Year 1 level Mass		Mary Nayna	Felice Cortese	Ron Schneider-Loos	Ann Furlong	Rosemary Miller
11.00am (M)	Michelle Campbell	Peter Hannan	Louise Breslin	Vikki Fitzgerald	Juan Wilson	Helen Rocks	Robyn Worsnop
Counters	Group 5	Aileen Dynes	Anthony & Julie Barnhoorn				

RECENTLY RECEASED: Fr Gerald Collins S.J., Albert Taylor (Aspendale Gardens), Valerie O'Hara (Berna Wake's Aunty)

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Joseph Rochford, Sebastiana Musumeci, Les Woodhead, Jose Mari Manahan, Sr Susan Shannon, Gillian Dalton, Allison Burch, Charles Barkley, Maria Merlino, Bernard Bourke, Charles Nichols, Julien Pigeot, Evan Jenkins, Margaret Jenkins, Venera Barbagallo, Eveleigh Vickers, Bernard Cleary, Linda Jamieson, Marcella Doran, Dr Janos Bogнар, Clara Dundon, Jack Lanaway, Kathleen Mary Doherty, Margaret Dow, Alan Brereton, Lena Saccio, Agnes Bugden, Curtis Drenen, Terence Partleton, George D'Cunha, Marc Licciardo, P.J. Thomas, Bert Hodgkinson, Mary Carroll, Dennis Porter, Mary Meyer, Alec Rodrigues, Maria Scardoni, Virgilio Arcilla, Carmel Maria Funston, Joseph Antonios, Frederick Summerton.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE SICK OR UNDERGOING MEDICAL PROCEDURES AND TREATMENTS:

Fr Terry Kean, Walter Young, Julie Griffiths, Naldi Junaldi, Nik Selepak, Sophia Bicos, Steve Gobac, Fernanda Barbarino, John Nicholson, Therese Brown, Peter Waltho, Sam Finnochiaro, Anne Burke, Michelle Ives, Graham Owen, Norreen Spies, Harry Spies, Caiden Hoare, Sarah Gilbert, Peter Baxter, Deborah Hall, Donna Cardamone, Heidi Soeding, Ben Qu.irk, Nancy Selby, Sr Anita Le Clerq, Desmond Dunn, Brenda Cortese, Adam Taylor, Natalian Constanzo, Flynn, Gail Hamilton.

If you would like healing prayers in our Parish Bulletin or a pastoral visit: mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au

Mass Times

Weekend Masses



Saturday: 6pm Vigil 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)

Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Rosary



Every Friday 10.30am St. Brigid's
 and 1st Saturday of the month
 St Louis' 4.30pm

Reconciliation



Friday - 12pm St. Brigid's,
 Saturday - 5.30pm St. Louis'

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 Fr Ignatius, Trish Angliss, Berna Wake

Parish Schools

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sbmord.catholic.edu.au

St. Louis de Montfort's -

9580 5169

stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au

Parish House - 03 9412 8432

Parish Office - 03 9580 7981

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

Our Child Safeguarding Team:

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To organise direct debit

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