



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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 12 October 2025

Readings for Year C 2 Kings 5: 14-17 2 Timothy 2: 8-13 Luke 17: 11-19

Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you"

The story of the ten lepers is not just about asking for what we need and being grateful when we get it. In this story, Jesus does three things: he reaches out to the untouchables of his day; he heals them and enables them to be welcomed back into the community; he draws attention to the fact that the poorest of the lepers, a Samaritan, is the only one who can recognise the source of the healing and has the humility to return and praise God for it.

As well as the virtue of gratitude, Jesus also announces that the Christian community is the place where there is no such thing as an unclean or untouchable person. As Christians, Pope Leo says, we are all called to become people 'who know how to share the journey, the questions, the anxieties and the hopes' of those around us. We should learn to walk with those who hope to walk with us.

Jodie Marziano
St Brigid's Deputy Principal
Religious Education Leader



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News and Announcements



Baptisms this weekend

We welcome into our parish family **Sophie Kate, Dakota Hugh, Spencer John, Romy Sage.**

God has you in his hands on this special day. With every step you take, he guides you on your way.

Scripture & Friendship

Our Parish Scripture & Friendship group will meet on Tuesday 14th October. **Venue: Carmel's home, 31 Inlet St, Aspendale.** We begin at 10am and will finish at about 11am for a cuppa.

This group is open for anyone - we discuss the coming Sunday's Gospel, sharing our thoughts, questions or just listening. A great way to meet people in our Parish. For any queries contact:

Ann on 0425 712 741 or Carmel 0425773608

Food for Friends

Do you have an upright freezer that you no longer need? We would love to put it to use at St Brigid's to have another drop off and pick up point for our meals to help those in need. Call Helen 0488 997 233.

JAG Fundraising Raffle & Grocery Drive For Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project

The raffle and grocery drive for BASP was a great success. Thanks to everyone who generously bought raffle tickets and donated groceries. The groceries are already being distributed and used.

The proceeds totaled over \$1600.00. First prize - Rosemarie; Second Prize - Kathy; Third prize - Linda; Fourth Prize - Peta; Fifth Prize - Ben.

All Souls Day 2 November and our Memorial Book

All Souls Day 2025 falls on Sunday, November 2nd. During the month of November, we have our Memorial Book placed on the altar at both churches observing, remembering and praying for departed family members and friends. If you have registered your loved one's name previously with the parish, they will be included automatically in the Parish Bulletin & the Memorial Book. If you haven't but would like to do so, there are forms available in the church foyers until **Friday 24 October.**

Knights of the Southern Cross (KSC)- Melbourne Cup Sweep 2025

The sale of tickets in our annual Melbourne Cup Sweep will commence before and after this weekend's Masses (11-12 Oct) through until Sunday 2 Nov. Horse numbers will be drawn on Melbourne Cup Eve (3 Nov) with lucky recipients informed by telephone. **Tickets cost \$2.** Proceeds fund \$100 Bursaries for nominated Grade 6 students at our 3 local Parish Schools. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Longbeach Parishioners Luncheon

The 3rd Wednesday luncheon is on **Wednesday 15 October** being held at the Longbeach RSL Chelsea. For bookings please advise either Pat Adams on 0448 866 020 or Keith on 0417 350 733 Or 9772 7292 to make your place at the table.

Healing and Anointing Mass - Tuesday 14 October 7pm at St Brigid's

Please join us for our Healing and Anointing Mass. All are invited to come along for healing and anointing - whether it be for ill health, mental health, spiritual health, family violence or anything really. Please take advantage of this opportunity - anointing and healing is for all of us. Family and friends very welcome.

Be Your Best Now®: Two Special Wellbeing Workshops

Grounded in the modern science of human flourishing and thriving, these sessions will offer practical tools you can put into practice straight away to strengthen your wellbeing and live with greater happiness, balance and positivity.

Mark Carazzo (parishioner) will present **Wellbeing: The Foundations – Part One and Part Two on Tuesday 21 October and Tuesday 28 October, from 7:00–8:15 p.m at St Louis' Church.**

He will share the key elements that science shows are vital for us to truly thrive—while also uncovering the subtle barriers that can quietly undermine our happiness. **All are welcome, feel free to invite family and friends. Sign up at the welcome Desk.**

Mark holds a Professional Certificate in Positive Psychology (Honours) from the Centre for Wellbeing Science at the University of Melbourne. He is also a Certified Level 2 Wellness Coach (Wellness Coaching Australia) and a Qualified Meditation Teacher (Melbourne Meditation Centre), and holds Bachelor degrees in Law and Economics.

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FAMILY VIOLENCE

What can we do?

Bystander Training Workshop - All Invited

Facilitated by Anglican Diocese of Melbourne

learning strategies to respond. All are invited but we do need you to register. Places are limited. If this is of interest to you please contact Helen at rockshelen@yahoo.com by 22 October.

Family Violence Workshop Bystander Training

On **Saturday 25 October from 2.00 - 4.00pm** we are holding a very important workshop at St Louis' on this major societal issue.

Topics to be covered include:
Understanding the nature and dynamics of family violence; recognising the signs and



New Parishioners Morning Tea

A special welcome event for those who are new to St Mary of the Cross or have been visiting for a while but haven't formally connected with our parish. You are invited to come to a casual morning tea to meet our Parish Leadership Team.

When: Saturday 18 October 2025 from 10-11am.

Where: Parish House, Main Street, Mordialloc (adjacent to St Brigid's Church).

Please sign up at the Welcome Desk in the church foyers.



World Mission Sunday Third Collection next weekend

In Zambia, many families struggle daily with poverty and limited access to essential healthcare. The Catholic Church stands as a beacon of hope, supporting communities through education, sustainable livelihoods and healthcare. On World Mission Sunday 18/19 October, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church in countries like Zambia.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission

Planned Giving Envelopes

The new set of envelopes are available in the church foyers. We are grateful for each gift no matter what the amount or how the gift is made. Regular giving is crucial for the parish as it enables us to plan many programs and reach as many people as possible with our mission to Make Disciples. If possible, we would like you to consider making your gift electronically as this will save us costs and time. You can set up a regular payment by direct debit via our parish website at <https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj67AAD&parish=mordialloc-aspendale>, or alternatively by contacting Ann in our parish office on 03 9580 7981 or mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au



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St. Teresa of Avila - Episode 1 (subtitled)

A powerful epic mini-series shot on location in Spain that tells the story of one of the most amazing women in history, St. Teresa of Avila. With meticulous attention to detail and historical accuracy, this acclaimed major film production is the definitive film on the life of this great saint.

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NEXT WEEK'S SERVE MINISTERS ROSTER - 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 19 OCTOBER 2025

18/19 Oct 2025	28th Sunday Ordinary Time Readings (Yr C) Exodus 17: 8-13 2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 2 Luke 18: 1-8						
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer
6pm (A)	Julie Barnhoorn	Helen Healy	Michael Barker	Sonia Williams	Carmel Barker	Julie Buick	Ann Brennan
8.00am (M)	Angela Meo	Krystyna Wrzesinski	Carole Guthrie	Jack Meyer	Joan Healy	Volunteer	Wence Rodrigues
9.30am (A)	Niko Tovia	Ann Furlong	Maureen Wraight	Elizabeth Newington	Felice Cortese	Mary Smith	Mary Nayna
11.00am (M)	Diane Wain	Melwyn D'Mello	Juan Wilson	Louise Breslin	Christine D'Cruze	Robyn Worsnop	Helen Rocks
Counters	Group 3	Joe Corda	Deborah Joseph	Nelson Popley			

Recently deceased: Molly McKeown (Frances North's Aunty).

Anniversaries: Dexter Anthony Waters, Nancy Ryan, Clemence Edward Crummer, Gwen Dundon, Sarah Collins, Isabella Pereira, Hans Schultz, Eva Kendrick, Sarala Mammen, Allie Renwick, Augusto Buensalida, Yati Haryanto, Mary Sherlock, Len Carlon, Ingrid Vass, Joan Sullivan, Rosa Favaloro, Felix Fernandes, Nancy Platt, Ronald Hale, Thomas O'Farrell, Blanche Vella, Sam Rizzo, Nelita Tabaranza, Cathy Kinsey, Neuta Tabarana, Pat Cooney, Cathy Dellie, John Fawaz, Fr Roger Ryan, Giuseppina Giuliano, Denise Loretta Chesters.

Praying for healing and the sick: Lina DiGiovine, Alex Bennett, John Davis, Fr Michael Shadbolt, Chris Doran, Chris Wardle, Ann Muir, John Nicholson, Peter Waltho, Janice Gillette, Michelle Parker, Greg Hayes, Sue Waltho, Jeffrey Sellar, Alasdair Hughes, Sophia Bicos, Fr Terry Kean, Kees Meyer, Andrea Williams, Brian Smith, Michelle Burne, Rosemary Hall, Michelle Ives, Graham Owen, Norreen Spies, Nancy Maxfield, Craige Ross, Virginia O'Toole.

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND HOLY ROSARY

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Louis Monday's 7.30 - 8.30pm

RECONCILIATION

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

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Fr Andrew, Fr Huy, Trish Angliss, Berna Wake

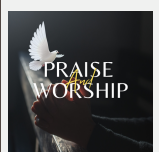
Growing in community & belonging at St Mary of the Cross



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 - 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

Baptism Coordinator

Debbie Poynton 0403 471 931

Contact us

Parish Office: 03 9580 7981
 OPEN Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday's 9am to 4.30pm
 Parish Coordinator: Ann Fitzgerald
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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.

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 9580 7981
 Fr Huy Nguyen 03 9580 7981
 Trish 0421 604 849
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