



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

All Souls Day 2 November 2025

Readings for Year C Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-19 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18 Luke 7: 11-17

*"We remember and pray for
all the faithful departed"*

The Church traditionally dedicates the month of November to remember and pray for all the faithful departed who are on the path to heaven. During this month, placing memorial books in front of the altar at St. Brigid's and St. Louis' reminds us that we are united with our deceased loved ones through our daily prayers and good deeds done on their behalf.

Remembering our loved ones, especially on the Feast of All Souls this Sunday, is also a tangible way to show our gratitude to those who have gone before us—family, friends, and mentors—whose love and support have shaped who we are.

In honouring their memory, we are reminded to become blessings to others, carrying on their legacy of love.

In doing so, we live out the meaning of the Eucharist and trust in Jesus' promise that he will raise us up on the last day.

Fr Huy Nguyen
Assistant Priest



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News and Announcements

ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls Day Remembrance - 2 November

On All Souls Day, we honour and remember our departed loved ones by lighting candles. Each flickering flame symbolises the enduring light of their memory in our hearts.

Join us in this beautiful tradition at our Masses this weekend.



Parish Survey

It is now 4.5 years since we embarked on our parish renewal entitled “Opening the Door’s to Christ’s Love” to move our parish from Maintenance to Mission, asking all to embrace the call of Jesus to make disciples, to grow deeper in faith, to serve in ministry and to invite and welcome all to experience the love of our parish community and of our Lord. The Parish Leadership Team have been working on taking our parish plans further and prior to sharing these with you, we seek your feedback as to how you feel the parish is progressing. To complete the survey please scan the QR code or you can access it online at <https://forms.gle/6KCvgfp21mGz41hF7>

There are also some paper copies on the Welcome Desk for those who can’t complete online. **Please complete by November 5**, thank you.



Parish Mission Plan - New Summary Document

Our Parish Mission Plan outlines our parish mission, vision, values and core focus areas. It guides the work of our Parish Leadership Team and Parish Pastoral Council. However, all of the baptised have a role to play in the church mission where we are asked to be disciples who listen deeply to each other, especially those who are far from the church, to walk alongside humbly and without judgement, sharing Christ through love. To learn more about our Parish Mission please access it via our parish website [here](#).

There are also some printed copies available in the foyers.



MISSION PLAN

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Parish Pastoral Council

Please pray for our Parish Pastoral Council as they meet on Saturday 8 November to discern the results of our parish survey, and plan for our parish priorities for the next three years. Thanks to all those who have or are about to complete the survey as your feedback will inform the Parish Pastoral Council decisions.

Pray for all our Year 12 students

Please pray for all our Year 12 students who have started their exams this week. May the Holy Spirit help them to have clear minds and guide them to express their knowledge and help them in their anxieties. We bless their families, teachers and friends who have supported them on their journey.

Be Your Best Now®: Wellbeing Workshop - Mark Carrazzo, thank you

The second workshop was again well attended by over 70 people. Mark helped us to see the small actions in every day that can be a Wellbeing moment. From washing the dishes to gardening to cooking, where we allow ourselves to be in the moment, in the present and appreciate that time we are spending - that moment we are having.

The comments after the session were again full of praise and we want to thank Mark for being so generous in sharing his knowledge and giving those who attended practical tools to help us strengthen our wellbeing and live with greater happiness and positivity.

If you didn't get the chance to complete the short feedback survey on the night, you can do so by accessing it here at <https://forms.gle/zcEEyWiUebzmtp859>

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Saturday 22 November 10am to 12pm - Parish Pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year of Hope

Bring your whole family and walk with us from St Louis to St Brigid's.

We will meet at St Louis, where you will all receive a blessing before you head off to St Brigid's along the bike path. Fr Andrew will also pose some questions you may like to think about while you are walking. Once you arrive at St Brigid's you will have the opportunity to pray or spend some silent time before the Blessed Sacrament. When all of our pilgrims arrive at St Brigid's, we will then end with another prayer and blessing. Please join us for a cuppa afterwards.

There will be a bus to ferry you back to St Louis and your car, or you may choose to walk back.

St Louis Weekday masses

Tuesday 4 November Mass (Cup Day) will be at 10am

Thursday 6 November 9.15am Mass is cancelled

This is due to the interior of the St Louis Church foyer being painted from Wednesday 5 November. The Thursday mass is being cancelled for safety reasons, given the painting.

Sacrificial Giving Envelopes

Please collect your envelopes from the box in the foyer. This is the last weekend they will be out. It will save on postage if they are collected.

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

The sale of tickets in our annual Melbourne Cup Sweep are available after weekend Masses 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.

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Happy Birthday to Marie Seddon

Happy 80th Birthday Marie. Every best wish for the year ahead. May the Holy Spirit guide and keep you always.

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Happy 55th Wedding Anniversary to Glenice & Donald Laughlin

Congratulations on reaching this milestone. May the Holy Spirit continue to watch over you and keep you both in good health.

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Happy Birthday to Frances North

Happy 80th birthday Frances. We pray the year ahead is full of peace and joy with the Holy Spirit watching over you.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 30 November Parishioner Volunteer thank you lunch 12.30pm

To be held at the Parish House for all our serve ministers. Sign-up sheet to come.

Saturday 6 December Advent Retreat 9am to 12.30pm at St Brigid's church

Come along to our retreat led by Mark Walsh who will help us as we prepare our hearts and minds for Christmas.

Sunday 7 December 9am Aspendale Beach clean up

Join your neighbours down at the beach to help clean up the foreshore.

Saturday January 10 - 2pm to 4pm

Farewell for Fr Andrew and Fr Huy at St Brigid's School Hall
Join us for afternoon tea as we farewell our 2 much loved priests.



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Litany of the Faithful Departed

Join us in praying the Litany of the Faithful Departed, asking for God to have mercy on those who have gone before us. This is a great prayer to offer for your loved ones who have passed away or anyone who has passed away.

Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

NEXT WEEK'S SERVE MINISTERS ROSTER - THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA - 9 NOV 2025

8/9 Nov 2025	Dedication for the Lateran Basilica (Yr C) Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12 1 Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17 John 2: 13-22						
	Reader	Commentator	Special Minister	Special Minister	Special Minister	Welcomer	Welcomer
6pm (A)	Jennifer Ford	Julius Lau	Michael Barker	Sonia Williams	Bernie Stuart	Julie Buick	Berna Wake
8.00am (M)	Joan Healy	Angela Meo	Carole Guthrie	Jack Meyer	Jane Standish	Jack Guthrie	Odette Budge
9.30am (A)	Phillip Morris	Irene Crowe	Ron Schneider-Loos	Felice Cortese	Mary Nayna	Edward Joseph	Sr Gail Ryan
11.00am (M)	Diane Wain	Michelle Campbell	Jaun Wilson	Louise Breslin	Helen Rocks	Robyn Worsnop	MaryAnn Farren
Counters	Group 1	Joanne & Gary Partleton	Ronald Soares				

Recently deceased: Carolina Torcasio, Fr Peter O'Rourke, Fr Barry Moran.

Anniversaries: Michael James Healy (snr), Michael Popley, Ken Gibb, Frank Chatelier, Mary Popley, Rose Tueta, Daniel Abbot, Milena Fabris, Lindsay Lebler, Vincent Alfonso, Peter Quinn, Alicia Kay, Albert Tueta, Michelle Barclay, Roger Lodoiska, Luna Tueta, Sr Elizabeth Lyons, Teresa (Tess) Bell, Miriam Moloney, Chuck Spencer, Terence Gallagher, Lisette Silarsah, Barbra Hunam, Bill Halloran, Anthony Roberts, Molly Carr, Joseph (Joe) Barnhoorn, Margot Davey, Florencio Marquez, John Miranda, Ryan Robertson, John Cuskelly, Antonio Favaloro, Cecilia Smith, Jack Reidy, Trevor (Canute) Jansz, Jessie Summerton, Vanda Smout, Patrick O'Neill, Kevin Osborne, Estelita Lacson-Hortaleza, Sebastian Vaz, Serge Nayna, Wilfred Hall, Mary Philomena Parker, Fr Carmine Tricarico, Jo Buxton, Rita Mansfield, Elizabeth Pidoto, Susamma Oommen, Kathleen Reidy, David John Ford, Concetta Nasello, Jesse Villanueva, Brian Graham, Concetta Nasello, Estelita Hortaleza, Camilla Allen, Richard John Payne, Angela Rech, Irene Drill.

Praying for healing and the sick: Harry Donohue, 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, Craige Ross, Virginia O'Toole.

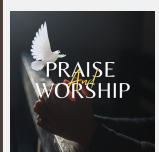
Growing in community & belonging at St Mary of the Cross



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
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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.

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 HOLY ROSARY

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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

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

CHILD SAFEGUARDING TEAM:

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Fr Huy Nguyen 03 9580 7981
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Joe 0407 354 568
Helen 0498 178 899
Anthony 0407 505 341
Robyn 0412 814 592
Denise 0412 926 752