



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.*

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 20 February 2022

Our readings are: 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,11-13,22-23, 1 Corinthians 15:45-49, Luke 6:27-38

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 Hoang Dinh

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Berna Wake, Trish Angliss &
Kristian Tangso

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Ann Fitzgerald
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

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mordialloc-aspendale

Gospel Reflection

The gospel reading today gives us yardsticks with which to measure how far or how close we are to the criteria of a good follower of Jesus. They look very difficult, if not impossible, to do especially in the age of social media. Yet we cannot just throw in the towel and continue to live in the dark. We try and we fall but God who understands our weaknesses will pick us up. We try again and in trying to do good every single day, we will come to the point where we realise that goodness is our true nature and that we really do not belong to this world but to Jesus.



By ourselves, we can only do so much. In fact, we can do nothing apart from Jesus, He assures us that we can bear much fruit if we remain in Him because He is the vine and we are the branches. Likewise, we can derive inspiration from St. Paul when he said, ***"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"*** (Philippians 4:13).

Because we ourselves know that the principles of behaviour as enumerated above are challenging, we can now become understanding of others. When they too fall, we are called to help and lift them up instead of judging them. Just as God is ever ready to forgive our shortcomings, we must also be ready to forgive others.

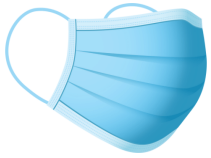
by Carmel Stuttard

Parish News

All are welcome for Mass in St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

The celebration of Mass will be live-streamed from [6pm Saturday](#) and [8am Sunday](#). Go to YouTube and search for 'Catholic Mass with Fr Andrew' or the [parish website](#).

Mass at St Brigid's & St Louis'



Mandatory Masks and Check In

A reminder to all who attend mass, **mask wearing is a mandatory requirement** for everyone. By doing so we are caring for ourselves and for others that gather at mass. Masks are available in the foyer of the church if you happen to forget. Please record your attendance at mass either via the QR code process or manually with the Welcomers.



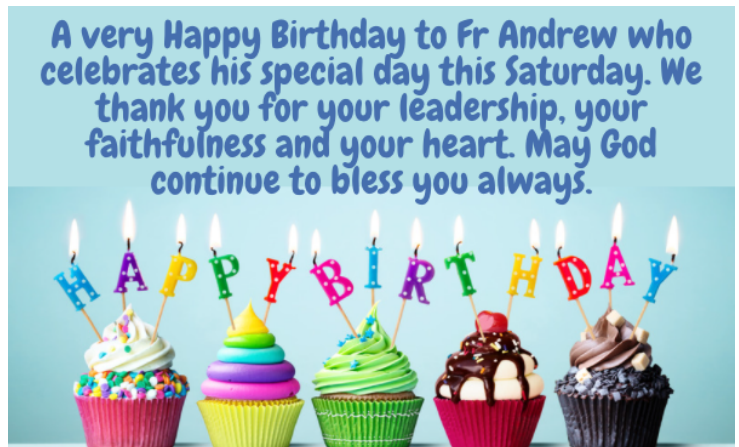
Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday (2nd March) signals the beginning of Lent, a beautiful time and journey leading us towards Easter. Masses will be at **10am (St. Brigid's)** and **7pm (St. Louis')**.



Parish census

All are invited to fill in a census card so that the parish can have the most up to date information. This will assist with future digital communications (eg. upcoming 10 Values Analysis, parish e-newsletter etc) plus correct phone numbers for other future follow up.



Weekday masses this coming week

Tuesday	Whole of St. Louis' school mass outdoors at 9.15am
Wednesday	St. Louis 10am due to funeral at St. Brigid's
Thursday	As per normal St. Louis' 9.15am
Friday	As per normal St. Brigid's 11.30am

Liturgy meeting

Would you like to reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings? All are welcome to come to a liturgy meeting this **Wednesday at 7.30pm** in the Penola Room at St. Brigid's church.

Lent Scripture Groups

We will offer some **Lenten Scripture Groups (beginning 1st March)** for you to join. We will be using the resource from Fr. Michael Elligate. Feel free to sign up for **10am Tuesday morning group (St. Louis')**, **11am Wednesday morning group (St. Brigid's)** or an **online group 7pm Thursday evening**. Sign up sheets at the Welcome Desks.

Parish Outdoor Prep level Welcome Mass & Picnic

Mass at 10.30am at Braeside Park on **Sunday 27th February**. All are welcome! All are welcome to support our new prep children and their families at this mass by attending this mass. All parish weekend masses are still being offered.

Clean Up Australia Day at Mordialloc Creek Reserve

Please join JAG members in the morning of 6 March. We're meeting at Jack Grut Reserve carpark, cnr of Governor Rd and Lamana St, Mordialloc. The event is run by the City of Kingston and everyone is welcome.

Parish News



JAG News

The Justice Action Group (JAG) met this week and thanks to your generous support they have been able to make a donation of \$1,000 to Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP). Donations to JAG can be made using the JAG Jar in both church foyers. If you would like more information on the many different activities of JAG please pick up a copy of the JAG Charter in the church foyers and / or contact Sandy 0412 571 177.

Opening our Churches for personal prayer

"One great happiness I enjoy, is, I have charge of the Altar and the Lamp, and being able to go into the chapel at any time, where the Blessed Sacrament always is, is a precious favour indeed." - **Mary MacKillop, 1864.** As a missional parish our goal is to be open to everyone, and that means having our churches open more often. Can you and a buddy serve God in this way? Perhaps 1-2 hours on a weekday/Saturday? If you can help, please contact Berna Wake from our Parish Leadership Team via berna.wake@cam.org.au.

World Day of Prayer

On **Friday 4 March at 10.30am** a special ecumenical international service for Mordialloc and Mentone areas will be held at **St Aidan's Anglican Church**, 64 Robert Street, Parkdale. Everyone is very welcome to come and pray for our world. The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries.



St Mary of the Cross Parish
St Louis De Montfort
Aspendale
Saturday 5 March
"Do whatever He tells you." John 2:5
Eucharistic Adoration
Holy Rosary
4:30pm-5:30pm
Confession: 5:30pm
Mass: 6pm

Baptisms this weekend!
We welcome into our Parish family:
Frederic Tabisal
God has you in His hands on this special day. With every little step you take He guides you on your way.

Next Week's Roster

8th Sunday Ord Time	Readings (Year C): 1 Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8, 1 Corinthians 15:54-58, Luke 6:39-45			
26 th 27 th Feb 2022	6p.m. (A)	8.00a.m. (M)	9.30 a.m. (A)	11a.m. (M)
Reader	Adrienne Kennedy	Jane Standish	Gen Martin	Bernadette Bouvier
Commentator	Pauline Parker	Joan Healy	Brian Martin	Volunteer
Special Minister	Sonia Williams	Jack Guthrie	Ron Schneider-Loos	Volunteer
Welcomers	Julie Barnhoorn Anthony Barnhoorn	Stefanie Carino Anthony Antoniou Paula Rodrigues	Rosemary Miller Niko Tovia Berna Wake	Wence Rodrigues Paula Rodrigues Vanessa Fernandes
Counters	Annette Brilliant	Aileen Dynes		
Sacristan	Marie Medlicott	Fred Burns	Susan Dornom	Glenice Laughlin

Recent Deaths

Fortunata Cortese (Donna Cardamone's mother)

Brian Egan (Janine Magro's father)

Anniversaries

Judith Carboon, Audrey Castleman, Geoffrey Colwell, Alexandrina Connelly, Brian Conway, John (Jack) Delahey, Brian Denman, Robert (Bob) Dynes, Patrick Fallon, Helen Grogan, Arthur Hager, Doris Lavery, Mary Logan, Anthony Malone, Bernice Marshall, Carmel McGrath, Joan McMahon, Alfred Moncrief, John (Jack) Mooney, Domnick O'Donnell, Jean Parker, Peter Perazzo, Kevin Phelan, Jenny Popley, Florence Rizzo, Barry Sims, Norma Smith, Dorothy Stevens, Luciana Tenace, Teresa Vaizzi, Maureen Varney, Charles Vassallo, Victor Vellozo, Brian StanleyWagstaff and Christopher Walley

Healing Prayers Asked For

Maureen Hepburn, Srijana Shakya, Margaret McGowan, Helen Pedrizzini, Jason Turner, Ferena Zienau, Paul Dodkians

**Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing
and protection of children, and vulnerable
people in our community.**

All Parish volunteers require:

- Current Working With Children Check a
 - Read & signed our Child Safety Code of Conduct.
- Available on our Parish Website & at our Parish Office

Any concerns please contact our Child Safeguarding Team:

Fr Andrew Jekot ... 03 9412 8432
Fr Hoang Dinh ... 03 9412 8432
Trish Angliss ... 0421 604 849
Louise Breslin ... 0415 963 799
Joe Corda ... 0407 354 568

Judy Dickinson ... 0407 865 522
Susan Dornam ... 0413 979 049
Joanne Partleton ... 0413 133 184
Robyn Worsnop ... 0412 814 592

**The Lord is kind and merciful.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.**



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 10am - 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

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St Louis de Montfort's School,

37 Dolphin St,

Aspendale

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Support
our Parish



If you know of anyone who
needs prayers or a pastoral
visit please contact the
Parish Office

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land of the Kulin Nation who have walked upon and cared for this country for thousands of years. We pay our respect to them and their cultures and to Elders, past, present and emerging.



Our Parish Mission

**Love God, Love Others
Make Disciples**