

St Louis de Montfort's, Aspendale
& St Brigid's, Mordialloc

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PARISH MASS TIMES:

Weekends: Saturday: **6pm** (vigil) St Louis', Aspendale Sunday: **9.30am** - St Louis', Aspendale
Sunday: **8am** - St Brigid's, Mordialloc Sunday: **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 12noon - St Brigid's, Saturday 5.30pm - St Louis'
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday 9.45am - St Louis', Friday 10.30am - St Brigid's

BAPTISM BOOKINGS through Parish Office 9580 7981

PARISH SCHOOLS: St Brigid's School, 129 Albert St, Mordialloc **9580 4518** www.sbmord.catholic.edu.au
St Louis de Montfort's School, 37 Dolphin St, Aspendale **9580 5169** www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au

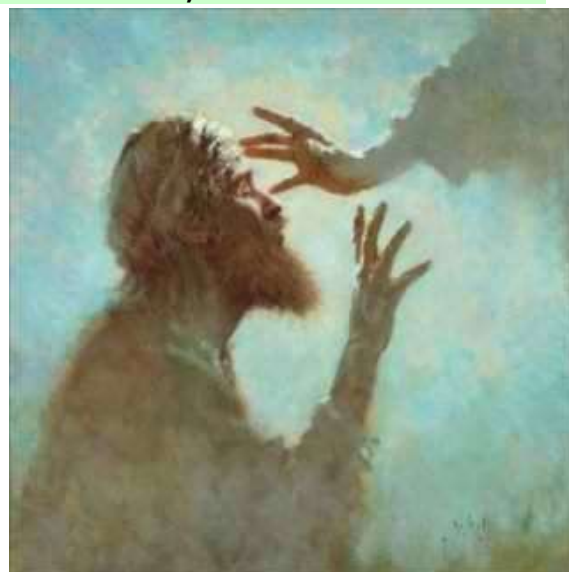
30th Ordinary Sunday - Year B - 27th & 28th October 2018

Our readings for this week are: **JEREMIAH 31: 7-9; HEBREWS 5: 1-6; MARK 10: 46-52**

Gospel Reflection:

Blindness is a powerful metaphor that is used repeatedly throughout scripture. It is almost always a metaphor for blindness of heart or blindness of mind rather than a purely physical affliction.

In today's Gospel we have the story of the healing of blind Bartimaeus. As a blind man, Bartimaeus would be regarded as 'imperfect' - incomplete - and consequently in a permanent state of uncleanness. He would not be allowed to live within the bounds of normal society, nor have contact with people. So it is that Jesus encounters Bartimaeus on the side of the road, outside the city walls as he is leaving Jericho. Learning that it is Jesus passing by, Bartimaeus calls on Jesus to help him and the crowd tries to shut him up and remind him of his status. But Jesus calls Bartimaeus to him and, placing the needs of the other first, asks 'What do you want me to do for you?' When Bartimaeus makes his request, Jesus announces that it is his faith that has saved him and his sight is restored. Bartimaeus, like a good disciple, then follows Jesus on the road. The Gospel over the last six weeks has been an extended lesson on discipleship. The disciples displayed their own form of blindness when they failed to understand what Jesus is trying to tell them quite explicitly. Discipleship involves suffering and hardship; it means placing one's own needs last and the needs of others first; it is all about having FAITH.



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Tom Lindeman

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.

NEXT SUNDAY; 3rd & 4th November 2018

Next Sunday is the Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time in Year B. Our readings are:

DEUTERONOMY 6: 2-6;

HEBREWS 7: 23-28;

MARK 12: 28-34

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER:

READERS - *please see Father before Mass*

	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Commentator</u>
6pm	Ann Brennan	Bernadette Stuart
8am	Debi Atherton	Melissa Ellis
9.30am	Gen Martin	Brian Martin
11am	Carmel Girolami	Bernadette Bouvier

SPECIAL MINISTERS:

6pm: Carmel Jamieson, Anthony Barnhoorn, Bill Mellan, Adrienne Kennedy, Gail Hamilton

8am: Carole & Jack Guthrie, Stephen Pooley, Joe & Hamish D'Souza

9.30am: Martin & Elizabeth Newington, Mark Barnhoorn, Julius Lau, Trish Amor

11am: Lydia Alphonso, Juliana Zedoner-Davies, Jean Spencer, Christine D'Cruze, Carolyn Ellul

COUNTERS:

Aspendale: Christine Wagstaff, Brian Smith

Mordialloc: Mike Love, Helen & Graham Jones

SANDY LODGE ROSTER: 4th November 2018

Communion Service: Mary Nayna

STEWARDSHIP RESULTS:

Thank you to the parishioners who have been donating the amount they pledged.

THANKSGIVING: 21/10/2018

	Aspendale	Mordialloc
Received:	\$1,925	\$1,219
Average:	\$2,043	\$1,612
Pledged	\$2,229	\$1,688

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS:



All volunteers in our two Parishes are required to have a current Working With Children Check.

To obtain a WWCC apply at:

www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au

Counters and those who visit Nursing Homes will be asked to also have a Police Check. Please contact the Parish Office to obtain the forms for a Police Check or if you need any assistance applying for a Working With Children Check.

COMING EVENTS SUMMARY:

(* see Bulletin for more details)

Sun 28th Oct 30th Ordinary Sunday

JAG Picnic 12pm*

Wed 31st Oct Reconciliation Reflection Day

Thu 1st Nov Feast of All Saints

Fri 2nd Nov Feast of All Souls

Sun 4th Nov 31st Ordinary Sunday

Mon 5th Nov St L & St B School Inservice Day

Tue 6th Nov Cup Day Holiday

Thu 8th Nov Combined School Mission Mass

Sat 10th Nov Child Safety Training Session

St L Yr5 Family Mass 6pm

Sun 11th Nov 32nd Ordinary Sunday

St L Yr5 Family Mass 9.30am

Tue 13th Nov First Reconciliation – St L

Wed 14th Nov First Reconciliation – St L

JAG Meeting

Thu 15th Nov First Reconciliation – St B

MEMORIAL BOOK:

Next month is November which is the month of Holy Souls when we remember our family and friends who have died. There will be a special Memorial Book placed on the altar at each Mass this month with all the names of parishioners who have died this year as well as family and friends we would like to remember.

If you would like to add any names to this Memorial Book please fill out the Anniversary Register Form that is available in the Church Foyer. These names will then also be automatically listed in the Parish Bulletin on the anniversary of their death.

FEAST OF ALL SOULS:

Our Memorial Book will be launched at a special **Memorial Mass**

on the **Feast of All Souls,**

Friday 2nd November

at **11.30am at St Brigid's Church**

We invite everyone who wishes to remember family and friends who have died to come along to this special Mass or to any of the weekend Masses during the month of November.



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

MELBOURNE CUP SWEEP:

Tickets are on sale after Masses this weekend for the Knights of the Southern Cross Melbourne Cup Sweep. **TICKETS ARE ONLY \$1 EACH**

Prizes are:

1st: \$250

2nd: \$75, 3rd: \$30

The profit from the Sweep goes towards providing scholarships for students at St Louis', St Brigid's & St Joseph's Schools. Please help support this worthwhile fundraiser.



SPRINGVALE CEMETERY CENTRE:

In February 2017 **The Centre for Care and Well Being** began at **Springvale Botanical Cemetery**. This has become a wonderful place for those grieving to go and meet with others in a very relaxed environment. There is an info sheet & time-table for this month's activities available in the foyer or go to: www.sbc.smct.org.au.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS:

Copies of the Summer edition of **Australian Catholics** magazine are now available. It features articles on the theme:

'Do you hear what I hear?'

– **ways we can pray.** Pick up your free copy from the church foyer.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:

Thank you to everyone who supported the Special collection last weekend for Catholic Mission.



The theme for this year is: **YOU ARE MISSION**
'Every man & woman is a mission; that is the reason for our life on earth' – Pope Francis

The total amount collected was

Aspendale: \$768 & Mordialloc: \$1,198



ST JOSEPH'S BLACK ROCK:

St Joseph's Black Rock are looking for contact details of any past students or teachers who attended the school in the last 90 years. They also want any class photos, photos of events or buildings and stories so they can create a memory book to be available as part of their 90th celebrations next year.

Contact St Joseph's School office **9589 4685** or 90years@sjblackrock.catholic.edu

THE STORY OF RUTH:

Ruth is a story of faithfulness, loyalty and compassion. It is only 3 pages of the bible, yet it is seen as worthy of its place in scripture.



on Sat 17th Nov & Sat 24th Nov
at St Louis' Church 2pm to 5pm

This will be a reflective, prayerful and eye opening look at how Ruth and Naomi coped with enormous trauma and loss in their lives while living in a foreign land.

So that I have some idea of numbers please leave your name on the board in the foyer if you think you can come.

*This could be a wonderful time of preparation for Advent. **Bernadette Carr***

CHOIR PRACTICE:

Choir practices for our **Midnight Mass Choir** start

on **Wednesday 7th Nov**

at **7.30pm**

at **St Brigid's Church.**

The Combined Choir will also be rehearsing for a special Mass with the Archbishop which is at 11am at St Brigid's on 25th November.

New choir members welcome.



NEW ROSTERS:

A new roster is being prepared for Readers, Special Ministers and Counters for November to May. If anyone wishes to be added to or removed from the roster please contact the Parish Office 9580 7981

RECENTLY DECEASED:

June Trigg (Jessie Costanzo's sister)
Enrique Madrid (Renne Kuppe's father)
Bill Fergus (husband of Kay)

ANNIVERSARIES:

Maria Zagami, Norina Castenetto, Julie Van de Garde, Angela Angelone, Derek Fernandez, Yvonne Schneider-Loos, Elizabeth Ryan, Irene Wilson, Marie Cassidy Daniel Abbot, Glenda De Palo, Lyell Renton, Mary Popley, Damien Jackson, Tess Rankin, Andy McManus, Jack Eddington, Marie Elda Silarsah, Salvatore Finocchiaro, Marie Temple, John Cincotta, Mary Foster, Louise Cotegah, Didier Lubin, John Wallace, Juan Mauel Gomez Folz, Elizabeth Pigeot, Frank Chatelier, Michael Healy (snr), Michael Popley, Vincent Alfonso, Lindsay Lebler, Roger Lodoiska.

HEALING PRAYERS ASKED FOR:

Ken Gibb, Maree Wesols, Norman Taylor, Aileen Pedersen, James Schumacher, Salvatore (Sam) Finocchiaro, John Nicholson, Peter Spencer, John Jones.

RECONCILIATION REFLECTION DAY:

This **Wednesday 31st October** there is a Reflection Day at St Louis' for all the children in our Parish preparing for Reconciliation.



First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation takes place on 13th & 14th Nov at St Louis' and 15th Nov at St Brigid's. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

CHANGE OF WEDNESDAY MASS TIME:

Mass on this **Wednesday 31st October** will be replaced by a Communion Service because of the First Reconciliation Reflection Day

RCIA PROGRAM: (RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The RCIA Group meet this week on **Sun 28th Oct at 9:30am Mass at St Louis'.**

The RCIA Group will not meet next week. Their next meeting is on **Sun 11th Nov at 11am Mass at St Brigid's.**



CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

All primary school children are invited to join in Children's Liturgy this weekend during **9.30am Mass.**



PLENARY 2020:

This weekend we launch Plenary 2020 in our parishes. There has been some info shared in recent copies of Blessings but we are now ready to harness this opportunity to have a say about the future of our church in Australia.



You are all invited to reflect on the question: *"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"* Small groups of 4 are the ideal size for some time for reflecting, listening, sharing and praying and so we are inviting you to come to opportunity to be part of this exciting process on **Saturday 17th Nov at 10.30am at St. Louis'.**

There will also be some meeting opportunities on: **Monday 19th November at 9am in St Brigid's School Hall** and **2pm in St. Louis' Church** (these times may be more school family friendly).

JAG PICNIC:

Our Justice Action Group invites all parishioners to their **JAG PICNIC - 'Coming Together in Friendship'** on this **Sunday 28th October at 12noon** to be held in the grounds of **St Louis' School.**



The cost for the Picnic is: **\$10 per person or \$20 per family.**
Picnic BBQ lunch provided
Games & activities for the children

CHILD SAFETY IN OUR PARISH:

I invite parishioners who have yet to attend a child safety awareness session to come to our meeting **Saturday 10th November at 10am in St. Brigid's School Hall.**



There were a number of sessions held this time last year and many of you attended – thank you. This session is for those who have yet to attend and learn more about how we are a child safe parish, the policies and protocols that we have adopted.

As child safety is an issue for all of us, I urge you to make the time to attend this meeting.

Fr. Andrew.