



# 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.*

## **Trinity Sunday – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

This week's readings: **EXODUS 34: 4-6, 8-9; 2 CORINTHIANS 13: 11-13; JOHN 3: 16-18.**

### **PARISH CHURCHES:**

**St Brigid's,  
520 Main St, Mordialloc  
& St Louis de Montfort's,  
37 Dolphin St, Aspendale**

### **PARISH PRIEST:**

**Fr Andrew Jekot**

### **PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

**Bernadette Carr**

### **PARISH SECRETARIES:**

**Susan Dornom**

*Monday, Thursday & Friday*

**Ann Fitzgerald**

*Tuesday & Wednesday*

### **PARISH HOUSE:**

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### **PARISH OFFICE:**

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129 Albert St, Mordialloc  
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**[www.sbmord.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sbmord.catholic.edu.au)**

**St Louis de Montfort's School,  
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**[www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stlouisaspendale.catholic.edu.au)**

**Gospel Reflection:** Trinity Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate the unity of God whom we acknowledge as Father, Son and Spirit. As a child, the symbol of the shamrock was often presented as a way to understand the mystery of the Trinity- three in one. An interesting fact is that at no point in the New Testament is the term 'Trinity' used. However, there are a number of scriptural references that led to this theological understanding. The Annunciation, the baptism of Jesus and the great commissioning of the disciples to baptise in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all examples of the three persons of God being recognised or active in the gospels.

This year's gospel reminds us that 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.' Pope Francis, when speaking about the feast of the Holy Trinity, stressed the personal love and interest God has in each one of his children, saying the Lord is not ever far away, but is an attentive and loving father to all. "God does not want so much to reveal to us that he exists, but rather that he is the 'God with us,' that he loves us, is interested in our personal story and cares for each person, from the smallest to the greatest" (Pope Francis May 27 2018). Love is the characteristic of God that is experienced as Father, Son and Spirit. Maybe as Greg Sunter suggests, rather than focusing on the mystery of the Trinitarian God, today is an opportunity to marvel at the single-mindedness of God who is so determined to reveal the length and breadth of God's love to us. The love of God that constantly calls us into relationship, the love of God, physically present through Jesus the Son, and the love of God that the Spirit that draws into. As Pope Francis states, "We believe in the love that created the universe and generated a people, became flesh, died and rose for us, and as the Holy Spirit transforms everything and brings it to fullness." So today let's celebrate "with ever-new wonder the God of love, who freely offers his life to us and asks us to spread it in the world."

**Jodie Marziano**



### **NEXT SUNDAY- 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

Next Sunday is the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) in Year A: Our readings for next week are:

**DEUTERONOMY 8: 2-3, 14-16;  
1 CORINTHIANS 10: 16-17; JOHN 6: 51-58**

Don't forget to keep checking our Parish website [www.cam.org.au/mordiallocaspendale](http://www.cam.org.au/mordiallocaspendale) for Fr Andrew's YouTube Masses, Weekly Bulletins and lots of other up to date information.

## Trinity Sunday:

**Recently Deceased:** Maureen Gray (wife of Brian Gray), Margaret Aylward (wife of Michael Aylward), Joseph Conlon (uncle of Mary Anne Farren)



**Anniversaries:** Sheila Bailey, Patricia Miller, Maria Rodolico, Deborah Williams, Daniel Farren, William Magee. Joyce Sims, Zita O'Kane, Bob Saunders, William Coghlan, Mario Deluca, Ronnie Jackson, Pauline Jones, Theodore Lazaro, Margaret McHaffie, Bernard Noonan, Anne Scanlan, Ken Atherton, Natalie Cass, Pat Dundon, Vita (Maria) Rapisarda, Elizabeth Zerdoner, Debbie Dawkins, Brian Sayers, James (Jim) O'Meara, Gary Wilde, Dorothy McClure, Marciano Perseveranda (Jnr), Alberta Monger

**Healing Prayers Asked For:** Vin Costanzo, Maree Martin, Ben Quirk, Fred Hamilton, Helen Munro, Trish Wardle, John Nicholson, Lorraine Ingram, Helen Pedrazzini, Michelle Ives, Michelle Monger. (If you know of anyone who needs prayers or a pastoral visit please contact the Parish Office.)

**Happy Birthday** to **Rita Newton** who celebrated her almost 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday recently (Rita turned 89) and to **Joan Pobjoy** who turned 84. Happy Birthday also to **Christine D'Cruze** who celebrates her 60th birthday this week. Congratulations and many happy returns to all the birthday girls.



## Parish News:

**Restrictions Eased:** Restrictions have been eased again to allow **20 parishioners** to be present at Mass (plus officiators). If you wish to attend the recording of our Sunday Mass (which takes place on Thursday at 2.30pm – this week at St Brigid's) you must contact the Parish Office to book in. **Parish Office 9580 7981** or [mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au](mailto:mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au)

Our usual Masses have resumed but there is a limit of 20 parishioners allowed at each Mass and you must contact the Parish Office to book in. Masses are on:

**Tuesday at 9.15am** at St Louis'                      **Wednesday at 10am** at St Brigid's  
**Thursday at 2.30pm** is the Sunday Mass recording and is at St Brigid's this week  
**Friday at 11.30pm** at St Brigid's                      **Saturday at 6pm** at St Louis  
**Sunday at 8am** at St Brigid's,    **9.30am** at St Louis'                      & **11am** at St Brigid's  
*Sunday Mass will still be available online via the website*

**Australian Catholic Magazine:** The latest edition is now available to be picked up when you next attend Church. It contains many articles related to the current pandemic and how to care for our fragile world in unprecedented times. *Who are the best saints to turn to in pandemics?*

**Foster Care Crisis:** COVID-19 has pushed struggling families to the brink. More kids need foster homes than ever before. You can help urgently recruit, train and support foster carers for children in need by donating to **MacKillop Family Services**. Go to [www.mackillop.org.au](http://www.mackillop.org.au)

**JAG:** Some JAG members recently took the opportunity to join a webinar 'A Clean Recovery Forum' There were 4 speakers with different aspects on renewable energy and carbon emissions. (A copy is available if interested) Some JAG members also participated online in a forum from Catholic Earthcare for Laudato Si Week.



**School Enrolment Applications for Prep in 2021** at St Louis de Montfort's & St Brigid's



Schools are **now open**. Contact the School Office for more information, application forms, details of virtual school tours etc.

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