Dear Parents,

With all the things we have planned and accomplished already this year it is hard to comprehend that we have only been back at school for just 3 weeks. I take this opportunity to congratulate all students, staff and parents on coping with such a busy and action packed start to the year.

THANK YOU to the Parents & Friends co-ordinators Angela Rako, Loretta Ilott, Rachael Craig & Tammy Vanderloo as well class reps for their fantastic work in making sure children enjoyed pancakes for Shrove Tuesday this week.

Its business as normal next week with our first PFA & PEB Meetings for the year. Please remember that school finishes at 1pm next Wednesday 25th March for Greet & Meet the Teacher appointments. We ask all parents to complete the online Student Profile Form in readiness for this meeting. Prep parents are invited to a planning meeting on Thursday 26th March at St Brigid’s school from 4:00-5:15pm for the Prep Level Mass on 14/15 March and Year 4 families are involved in a First Eucharist Commitment Mass on the weekend of 28 February/1st March.

From the buzz around the community everyone is looking forward to our Back to School in the 60’s week scheduled for Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th March. I have taken the liberty of re-attaching the advice sent home earlier in the year so as to refresh your memory of the special events planned for this week. Advice regarding parent helpers selected for the Sovereign Hill Excursion will be sent home early next week.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tom Lindeman
PRINCIPAL
**PFA Update**

You’re invited to the

**Prep - Yr. 2 Movie Night**

**When:** this Friday the 20th Feb

**Where:** St Louis school hall

**Time:** 6pm - 8pm

**What to bring:**
- Your family (siblings welcome)
- Pillows, beanbags, etc. whatever makes for comfortable viewing
- BYO snacks or you can purchase hot dogs, choc tops & drinks.

**RSVP:** via the Skoolbag APP for catering purposes & to register your choice of movie!

If you have yet to do so, please install the Skoolbag APP onto your smart device, it’s a great tool to stay up to date! Plus don’t forget the school Facebook page! 😊

**POSITIONS VACANT:**

We are still looking for the following class rep positions:

- **Year 1:** 1MS x1; **Year 2:** 2BD x 1;
- **Year 3:** 3BB x1; **Year 5:** 5HC x1;
- **Year 6:** 6GS x1; 6MO x1;

All Parents/Carers welcome!

Please contact: Tammy 0408 589 306 or at tammylan73@hotmail.com if you’re keen to get involved or for more information, thanks!

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**MEET & GREET BBQ!**

Once again we shall be running a BBQ at the Parent/Teacher interviews, next Wednesday 25th Feb. If you are available to assist in any way, please contact Loretta on 0418 591 613 or at lilott@optusnet.com.au

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**School Newsletter**

THANK YOU to Angela Rako, Loretta Ilott, Rachael Craig (& me) for donating their Monday and packing up the pancake ingredients (purchased by the PFA) in preparation for Shrove Tuesday. Thanks to all the parents/carers who donated their time to come in on Tuesday & cook the pancakes for the children!

It was appreciated 😊

“This year the PFA tried something different, each class was supplied with the ingredients required for a basic pancake recipe, these were mixed up by the children whilst discussing preparing for Lent.

We thank the teachers for getting on board this initiative and parents for supporting the teachers with the cooking of the pancakes.”

Cheers from Loretta Ilott - PFA Secretary

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**St Louis Family Fitness Challenge!**

It was a warm Sunday that shone down on the participants for this year’s FFC! Although a quieter turnout than previous years, it was a lovely family event, with kids of all year levels walking, running or riding the course. Thank you to the families who came along and supported our first community event for 2015!

An extra special THANK YOU to Veronika Page for ‘manning’ the back gate & directing the families; Loretta & Matt Ilott, Jacinta & Dave Hewitson, and Melissa Shipham for cooking the sausages & hamburgers; Liza Dwyer for helping out with registration; Tony Allday for dropping off the BBQ; and Tom Lindeman for donating his Sunday to open up the school and helping out with coordinating the event!

Congratulations to Max Calvez the winner of a Rebel Sport $100 gift card & to Chloe Davis who won a McDonalds pack.

Tammy Vanderloo - PFA Vice-President 😊

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Chinese New Year’s Day is on Thursday, February 19, 2015

2015 is the year of the Goat (sometimes called the year of the Ram/Sheep). All students will do fun new year activities. Prep students will receive a special New Year gift from Ren Laoshi during their Thursday Chinese class.

On Sunday 22nd February 2015, there will be celebration activities in **China Town, Little Bourke Street**. A Chinese dragon, lions, street performers and cultural activity will fill the streets of Chinatown on Chinese New Year Sunday. During the Dragon’s Awakening Ceremony, the Dragon will parade through the streets of Melbourne starting in Little Bourke Street.

**GARDEN NEWS:**
Many thanks to Greenhouse Juicery for donating vegie and fruit pulp to feed our worms. Email: juice@greenhousejuicery.com.au
Facebook www.facebook.com/greenhousejuicery

Thanks also to the Edwards family for organising and delivery of worm food.

Sandy & Frank

**STUDENT SCHOOL BANKING**

This year the school will be providing a banking service for children with the Bendigo Community Bank, Aspendale Gardens Edithvale Branch. As part of the Year six real life learning educational program which has a focus on economics, the students will be running the school bank in partnership with Bendigo Community Bank, Aspendale Gardens staff.

In the next few weeks students will apply and be appointed to positions of Bank Manager, Assistant Bank Manager, Tellers and Promotional Managers. These students will then manage the bank on Thursdays from 2.00pm -2.20 for bank deposits. Students will also organise information sessions about establishing bank accounts.

Every student bank account that is opened at the Aspendale Gardens-Edithvale Community Bank will entitle the school to receive a $20.00 payment.

Brochures and applications forms will be available on the school website.

For more information please contact:

Kristy Marshall  Branch Manager
Aspendale Gardens-Edithvale Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank
Shop 12, 11 Narelle Drive I Aspendale Gardens VIC 3195
P: 03 9588 0610

Julie Wynne
Wellbeing Leader
St Louis School Bank

Student school banking will officially begin on the 5th of March. The St Louis Bank will be operated from the St Louis Uniform shop. Banking staff will be available for opening of accounts in the Uniform Shop on Tuesday Mornings 8.30 – 9.00 weekly. To open an account you will need to complete the Account Opening form on the school and Bendigo bank web site and present 100 points of identification for both the child and themselves (parent/guardian):

**CHILD:**
Original Birth Certificate & Medicare Card
Or Valid Passport

**PARENT/GUARDIAN:** Valid Driver’s Licence

Student interviews for banks positions were held on Thursday with Caitlin Harvey Customer Relationship Manager Bendigo Bank. After consultation with Year Six staff students have been assigned their roles.

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The students are really excited about their new adventure in the world of banking.

If you would like to deposit money before this time please leave completed bank book and deposit slips at the office or visit staff on Tuesday morning in the school uniform shop.

For any more information please contact Kristy Marshall Branch Manager Aspendale Gardens-Edithvale Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank Shop 12, 11 Narelle Drive I Aspendale Gardens VIC 3195 P: 03 9588 0610

Julie Wynne Wellbeing Leader 9580 5169

HELPERS NEEDED

Help still needed in the Library.
We would appreciate any helpers who can spare 30 minutes once a week (or just drop in when you can), to help shelve books.

The task is easy, no experience necessary and toddlers are welcome.
Thanks
Gaynor Downie
Library Technician

BAREFOOT BOWLS MORDIALLOC

Barefoot bowls evening 5-7pm Friday March 6th at Mordialloc Bowling Club. All families welcome. Cost $5 per bowler, BBQ and drinks available for purchase. Book online through St Louis Skoolbag App. Closing date 10pm Friday 20th February.

Thanks
Frank Overberg

CANTEEN HELP REQUIRED

If anyone is able to help in the Canteen on Monday, Thursday or Friday from 12noon to 2.30pm, could you please contact Pam Bonnet (Canteen Manager) on 0409 532 329

As we are a “Sunsmart” school, students wear sunhats and use sunscreen from 1st Sept to 1st May
In 2015 Clean Up Australia is celebrating 25 years of volunteer action across Australia.

Last year, thanks to an estimated 572,406 volunteers, Australians cleaned up 15,708 tonnes at 7,140 sites across Australia.

Since the national event started in 1990, Australian have donated more than 27.2 million hours taking to their streets, bushland, parks and waterways on Clean Up Australia Day, removing an estimated 288,650 tonnes of rubbish from 145,754 sites across the country.

This year students and teachers from St Louis de Montfort’s will participate in “Clean Up Australia School Day” on Friday day 27th February 2015 between 2:20pm – 3.00pm

Foundation & Year 1’s will help clean up the school grounds and all other classes will clean up areas surrounding the school.

All students will need to wear their sports uniform and bring along a plastic shopping bag and a pair of garden gloves or tongs from home. Children will be directed not to pick up glass or anything dangerous.

SCHOOL GOATS RETURN
Milo and Cindy have arrived back from their vacation at Lalee Farm. We would like to thank Jane and Tom for looking after them during this time.

Milo and Cindy had a very relaxing break with the lamas, ponies and chickens. If you would like to get away for a great holiday contact Jane on, e: info@laleefarm.com of p: 03 5629 8560

Lalee Farm 224 Bridal Road, Tonimbuk. 3815. Victoria

SS' BRIGID & LOUIS MENS CLUB

Our next meeting for the year is on Wednesday, 18th March at 8pm in St Brigid’s Church upstairs meeting room. All men of the school/parish community are invited to attend.

For more info contact:-
Niko Tovia 0400 722 213
Tony Allday 9580 7344/ 0411 075 631

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5th Annual Isabella & Marcus Fund Classic Car Day

ALL funds raised will go directly to kids brain cancer research

When: Sunday 15th March 2015
Where: Bicentennial Park, Scotch Parade, Chelsea
Time: 10.00am - 3.00pm
(Gates open at 8.30am)
Cost: $20.00 per classic car
- fee includes major raffle prize ticket.
  General Entry Gold coin donation.

Huge family fun day, lots for the kids to do - 3
Jumping castles, face painting, lolly bags, lucky dip, entertaining clowns, Animal farm....
Sausage Sizzle, drinks/Coffee Van , Live Music all day.
Selection of market stalls.
ALL CARS WELCOME please come along and support this charity event.
www.isabellaandmarcusfund.org.au

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M.S.L.P, B.Mus (Voc), B.Arts (Psych, Socio)
www.speechbubble.com.au

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**Re: 50th Anniversary Celebrations**

Dear Parents,

St Louis de Montfort’s Parish and School celebrates its Golden Jubilee in 2015. We are holding the following events during the year to mark this historic occasion.

- **Monday 2nd March** - Music incursion with Liturgical musician Andrew Chinn, to compose a school song
- **Tuesday 3rd March** - Back to School in the 60’s Day with past Legends & Heroes
- **Wednesday 4th March** - Year 1-6 excursion to Sovereign Hill Pioneer Settlement
- **Thursday 5th March** - Twilight School Day
- **Sunday 19th April** - Parish Feast Day Mass and Family Picnic
- **Tuesday 28th April** - School Feast Day Outdoor Mass including "Blessing of Animals"
- **Saturday 20th June** - Dinner Dance
- **Sunday 15th November** - Golden Jubilee LouisFest (Fete)

For the “Back to School in the 60’s Day” on Tuesday 3rd March, we would like students to come dressed in Colonial clothes to experience a day of school in the 60’s (1860s-1960s). Past ‘Legends and Heroes’ have been invited to share their memories and stories with the students and Book in a Day historians will be capturing footage and stories for publication in our Anniversary Book to be released in June. See attachment for clothing ideas and suggestions.

On Wednesday 4th March students from Year 1-6 will be going on an excursion to Sovereign Hill Pioneer Settlement to enjoy an experience of life in the early days.

On Thursday 5th March we are having a Twilight School Day from 2-8pm where all past and present families are invited to come along for an open afternoon and evening to visit and have a tour of the school, view our history, contribute to the narrative of our story, renew acquaintances, accept our hospitality with a BBQ Dinner from 6-7pm and enjoy a Fireworks Display at 8:30pm on the school oval (gather from 8:00pm with BYO supper).

All parish and school families are invited to join in the celebration of our Parish Feast Day on Sunday 19th April with Mass at 11am in the School Hall with Auxiliary Bishop Peter Elliott as the main celebrant, followed by a Family Picnic in the school grounds from 12 – 2pm.

School families are also invited to an outdoor School Feast Day Mass on Tuesday 28th April at 9am, on the school oval including “Blessing of the Animals”.

Social events to mark this occasion also include a Dinner Dance on Saturday 20th June in the School Hall from 7:30-11:30pm and our LouisFest (Fete) on Sunday 15th November from 12 – 6pm.

We hope that all families are able enter the spirit and join us for these celebrations.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tom Lindeman

*PRINCIPAL*
BACK TO SCHOOL DAY
TUESDAY 2ND MARCH 2015

Dress up in either 1960s “Retro” or 1860s “Colonial” for the day as we learn and experience school in the past. Also enjoy classroom visits from St Louis Heroes and Legends!

Join us in the spirit of St Louis’ 50th Anniversary 1965-2015

1960s
OR
1860s
ST LOUIS DE MONTFORT’S
THURSDAY 5TH MARCH 2-8PM

An opportunity for past and present students and families to visit and reminisce about the past.
Includes tour of the school, classroom visitation and historical archives.

AFTERNOON TEA
4:00-4:30

BBQ DINNER
6:00-7:00

OUTDOOR FIREWORKS
8:30
Dressing for Colonial Day

All students will need to wear a colonial costume for the day. All costumes can be made inexpensively from clothing you have at home.

Guidelines for homemade costumes:

**BOYS and MEN**

Boys commonly wore:

- shirt (loosing fitting white)
- waistcoat (colorful) -- optional
- breeches (knee-length NOT JEANS) or trousers (ankle-length)
- neckerchief
- cap or hat -- optional

Here is how you can "fake it" for a day:

- a plain white shirt with sleeves that go to your wrist
- breeches can be made from old pants cut at the knee and folded into a cuff or baseball pants are a great alternative.
- White long soccer type socks that meet the cuff of the breeches.
- a plain vest (optional)
- a handkerchief or cloth napkin, tied at the neck (this helped keep your shirt collar closed; forerunner of the modern necktie)
- a straw, felt hat, tricorn hat or cloth cap if you wish (directions on how to make a tricorn hat are on the Colonial Day website)

**GIRLS and WOMEN**

Girls commonly wore:

- shift (white underdress)
- petticoat (colorful skirt)
- shortgown (like a shirt; this is optional)
- apron
- neckerchief
- cap

Here is how you can "fake it" for a day:

- a plain white shirt with sleeves that go to your elbow or wrist
- a long skirt, either plain, striped or checked
- a handkerchief or cloth napkin, tied at the neck (this was for modesty and to prevent sunburn)
- an apron that ties at your waist and is plain,
- you can either make a cap by taking a circle of white fabric and putting in a drawstring to fit it to your head; or, if you do an Internet search for "colonial mop cap" you will find cheap ones you can purchase ($5 or so)
If You Care to Sew…

How to turn an old shirt into a pretend Colonial Shirt

Time to complete: 30 minutes

Supplies:

- **Men's old dress shirt**: Choose an old shirt that is white, brown, blue, red, checked, or striped. Don't choose any really bright or neon colors.
- **Scissors**
- **3 Buttons**: In the 18th Century a working man's buttons would have been made of horn, bone, wood, or pewter. A dress shirt might have had thread buttons. Choose buttons about 5/8" wide in brown, off-white, or white metal. Eighteenth Century buttons usually had 2 holes, not four, or were metal with a loop on the back. Fabric glue or fusible web, a sewing machine, or a needle and thread.

Background:

In the 18th Century, shirts were used the way shirts are today, but they were also used as underwear, and to sleep in. Dress shirts were white and made of fine bleached linen or cotton. They might have ruffles made of lace or linen at the neck and on the cuffs. Work shirts were made of coarser, cheaper material. They were usually white or the color of unbleached linen, but they were sometimes dyed, or checked, or striped.

Directions:

1. Remove pockets, buttons, and any labels.

2. Cut the points off of the collar to make it rectangular. Colonial collars were often rectangular. Sew or glue the cut edges of the collar together.

3. Cut the rounded edges off of the bottom of the shirt to make it straight. Leave the tails as long as possible. Colonial shirts were long. They came down to the middle of a man's thigh. Glue or sew the hem at the bottom of the shirt.
4. From the bottom of the shirt, cut 5 or 6 inches up each side seam. There is no need to finish the edges if the cut is made between two rows of stitching.

5. Cut the cuffs to a width of about 1 ½ inches. Glue or sew the edge of the cuff.

6. Glue or sew the front opening shut from the bottom up to the second button hole. Do not let the front button holes show.

7. Sew a button on each of the cuffs and at the neck. Clip the buttonholes if necessary to make them a little larger.

8. Tie a kerchief around the neck loosely, and wear the shirt out to hide the front of the trousers.

How to turn an old t-shirt into a pretend Shift

**Time to complete:**
- V-necked undershirt - 10 minutes.
- Round-necked undershirt - 20 minutes.

**Supplies:**
- Men’s white round or V-necked, short-sleeved undershirt
- Scissors
- Glue
- Needle
- 2 2/3 yards of tape, string, or ribbon.
- Fabric glue or fusible web or a sewing machine or needle and thread (for round necked undershirt only).
- Paper clip, safety pin, or large-eyed needle.

**Background:**

In the 18th century, the shift was a girl's or a woman's most important undergarment. She would wear it below all of her other clothing. (Underpants were not usually worn until the 19th century.) Shifts were also worn to sleep in. The shift was made of white cotton or linen. The sleeves came down just below the elbow, and the hem came to below the knee. A very nice shift would be made of fine cloth, and might have lace or ruffles at the neck. A poor woman's shift would be made of coarser material.

**Directions for a very easy shift using the V-necked undershirt:**

1. Remove any labels or pockets.

2. At the bottom of the fabric binding of the V-necked collar, snip a small hole on either side. Be sure to cut through only the first layer of cloth.
3. Attach the tape, string, or ribbon to the safety pin or paper clip, or thread it through the needle. Work it through the seam binding of the collar. Gather the collar slightly and tie in a bow.

4. Snip a small hole through one layer of the finished edge of each sleeve. The hole should be on the outside edge of the sleeve.

5. Thread the tape through the hem of the sleeve. Gather the sleeves and tie in a bow.

Directions for an easy shift using the round necked undershirt.

1. Remove any labels or pockets.

2. Cut the collar off of the shirt.

3. Turn down the edge of the neck hole about 1 inch and sew or fabric glue the edge down to create a casing. If glue is used, let it dry thoroughly.

4. Snip a small hole through only the first layer of cloth in the casing at the bottom front of the neck.

5. Attach the tape, string, or ribbon to the safety pin or paper clip, or thread it through the needle. Work it through the seam binding of the collar. Gather the collar slightly and tie in a bow.

6. Snip a small hole through one layer of the finished edge of each sleeve. The hole should be on the outside edge of the sleeve.

7. Thread the tape through the hem of the sleeve. Gather the sleeves and tie in a bow.

How to turn an old dish towel into an apron

Time to complete: 15 minutes if a dish towel is used.

Supplies:

- Towel: Old dish towel or a rectangular piece of cloth. Our cotton dish towel is 16 inches wide by 24 inches long. The linen fabric for our example is 39 inches wide by 27 inches long. Functional aprons should be made of cotton or linen -- white, natural, solid color, checked, plaid, or vertically striped. Fashionable aprons would be of finer material, embroidered, or perhaps have a print floral pattern. An embroidered towel would be wonderful if the girl is portraying a wealthy colonial lady.
- Scissors
- Ribbon: Ribbon or twill tape enough to go around the girl's waist with her clothes on and make a bow. The apron string on our example is 1 ½ yards of 3/4 inch tape.
- Paper clip, safety pin, or large-eyed needle.
- Fabric glue, fusible web, a sewing machine, or a needle and thread
**Background:**

This is a pattern for the kind of apron that would have been worn by a woman or a child. Men also wore aprons to protect their clothing when they were working. Most aprons in the 18th Century were practical while some were intended to be simply fashionable. Practical aprons were made of washable fabric, gathered on a narrow tape, and tied around the waist. Fashionable aprons were decorative, and were not intended to get really dirty. They might be embroidered or edged with lace. The apron is shorter and narrower than the petticoat, and not too full. The gathered apron should be at least as wide as the girl's breadth and the hem should extend to below the knee. Sometimes an apron would have a bib which pinned to the bodice. This was called a pinner. In the 18th Century people did not usually have as many clothes as they do now, and they valued their clothes more. An apron kept their clothes from becoming stained and wearing out.

**Directions:**

1. If desired, hem the bottom and sides of the apron. The edges can be sewn or glued. It is not necessary to hem selvedges.

2. At the top edge of the apron, waistline, make a casing about 3/4 inch wide. To do this, fold over about 1/4 inch of fabric, then fold over 3/4 inch of fabric and sew or glue down the folded edge to the body of the apron.

3. Attach the tape, string, or ribbon to the safety pin or paper clip, or thread it through the needle. Work the tape through the casing.

4. Gather the apron to fit, and tie it on with a bow.

An authentic looking 18th Century style apron is also made this way. However, it must be all hand stitched, not glued or machine stitched.
4JC share our favourite things about the garden to kitchen program.

4JC were the first grade to be in the Garden to Kitchen program. We did cooking, ponding and planting. We had TONS of fun!

During our first Garden to Kitchen visit we learned about ponding and pond creatures.

We love cooking, ponding and especially animal time! The Garden to Kitchen program is FABULOUS!!!
Our class had an awesome time at the garden. We planted snow peas and peaches. We also did ponding and found some dragonfly eggs.

Do gardening, it’s great fun!

The garden has lots of animals and is great if you want to learn about nature.

We are in the tomato group. We potted snow peas and peaches. We love going to the garden. We learn something every day!
We were lucky enough to be the first class to go to the Garden to Kitchen program! We had so much fun planting snow peas and peaches!

The garden is relaxing. We love the animals, especially the rabbits and guinea pigs. Planting and picking the fruit and vegetables and then cooking them in the kitchen is great fun. Eating them is even better!
**GOSPEL REFLECTION:**

**Lent: Week 1: REPENT**

This week’s Gospel depicts Jesus as he prepares for his public ministry. He takes himself out into the wilderness, away from all that he has known until this time, to reflect on his life so far and this next vital stage that he is about to enter. In the wilderness, Jesus is tempted. He has to face his own doubts and demons, as he prepares to set off on the road of his public ministry. When Jesus leaves the desert wilderness and enters back into Galilee, he immediately begins to preach. In the first words accredited to him in this gospel, he announces that the kingdom of God is at hand and it’s time to repent and believe. It’s a call for us to open our eyes! Jesus’ proclamation of the kingdom of God is a call to live out God’s dream of right relationship with one another and with our world. Accepting this call requires a change of heart and mind, as well as a new view based on living the kingdom of God. This is a challenge – to go ‘against the flow’ of the major attitudes at times and it is certainly not an ‘easy option’ that we are called to live. Jesus’ call to ‘repent and believe’ is a very appropriate call to begin the Lenten season for us all.

**Reflection:**

What does the image of the wilderness mean to you?
When have you felt that you were in a desert period of your life?
How do you prepare yourself for something that you know is going to be challenging?
In what areas of your life do you need to see someone or something with ‘new eyes’?
NEXT SUNDAY - 28th Feb & 1st Mar 2015

Next Sunday is the second Sunday in Lent in Year B: Our readings are:
GENESIS 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18,
ROMANS 8: 31-34,
MARK 9: 2-10

NEXT WEEK’S ROSTER:
READERS - please see Fr Andrew before Mass

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SPECIAL MINISTERS:
6pm: Chiara Rosario, Joanne Partleton, Helen Magee, Trish Fiore, Brian Hoyne
8am: Josie Sultana, Stephen Pooley, Joan Healy, Carol & John Guthrie
9.30am: Brenda O’Leary, Lucy Gathercole, Mark Barnhoorn, Elizabeth & Martin Newington
11am: Christine D’Cruze, Ann-maree Harrison, Jean Spencer, Jaun Wilson, Louise Breslin

COUNTERS:
Aspendale: Tom Drenen, Nelson Popley, Bernie Hambridge
Mordialloc: Glenice Laughlin, Debra Joseph

SANDY LODGE ROSTER: 1st March
Communion Service: Elizabeth Donohue
Resident’s Transport to Mass: Kevin Stewart

FATIMA STATUE ROSTER:
The Fatima Statue is available for parishioners to borrow each week so they can use this time as a special opportunity to pray to Our Lady.

Simply sign up on the sheet in the Church Foyer

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

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THANKSGIVING: 15/2/15

Project Compassion Boxes are available in the Church foyer. Please take one and help support the work of Caritas.

COMING EVENTS SUMMARY:
(* see Bulletin for more details)
Sat 21st Feb PPC Formation 2.30pm
Sun 22nd Feb 1st Sunday of Lent
Cuppa after 8am & 11am Masses
RCIA meets at 9.30am Mass
RCIA Rite of Election
Sat 28th Feb First Eucharist Commitment Mass
Sun 1st Mar 1st Sunday in Lent
First Eucharist Commitment Mass
RCIA meets at 11am Mass
JAG Picnic
Mon 2nd Mar – Thu 5th Mar Back to St Louis’ Week
Tue 3rd Mar St Louis’ Legends Day*
Thu 5th Mar St Louis’ Twilight School*
Fri 6th Mar St L & St B Inservice Day
Sun 8th Mar 2nd Sunday in Lent
RCIA meets at 11am Mass
Mon 9th Mar Labour Day Holiday

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES:
New sets of Parish Thanksgiving Envelopes and receipts for giving for the last 7 months are available in the Church Foyer.

Would you like to be part of the Thanksgiving Program? Donations can be made either via Thanksgiving Envelopes at weekend Mass or by a regular monthly donation via your credit card. If you would like to make a regular commitment to help support our Parish please fill in one of the cards available in the Church Foyer or contact the Parish Office 9580 7981.

CAR RAFFLE:
This year we will be taking part in the Combined Catholic Parishes Car Raffle which has not just one but 3 chances to win a car and a total of 14 great prizes altogether.

Tickets are only $2 each
Tickets available in the Church Foyer.
The Parish has paid for the tickets so all tickets need to be sold as we cannot return any tickets. Anyone who is unable to sell their tickets must return them to the Parish as soon as possible so they can be passed on to other parishioners to sell.
CHILDREN’S LITURGY:
Children’s Liturgy starts this weekend on Sunday 22nd Feb during 9.30am Mass

Children’s Liturgy allows young school aged children to leave Mass during the Liturgy of the Word to listen to a children’s version of the Gospel and do a related activity.

We need volunteers to help run the program on a rostered basis. Initially Children’s Liturgy will offered during the 9.30am Mass and then with enough helpers we hope to also have it at 11am Mass.

If you would like to assist with Children’s Liturgy or want more information please contact Kathie Martin 9512 0849 or the Parish Office 9580 7981

ST LOUIS’ TURNS 50:
Two events coming up soon to celebrate St Louis’ School & Parish’s 50th anniversary.

# Tuesday 3rd March, 10am – 3:30pm
School in the 60’s with past Legends/Heroes
Many St Louis’ Legends have accepted invites to this event. They’ll be sharing their memories with students and “Book in a Day” producers will capture their stories and pictures for our 50th Book.

If you have been involved at St Louis’ for a long period of time and would like to be included in the ‘Legends & Heroes’ Day please contact the Parish Office 9580 7981

# Thursday 5th March, 2-8pm
Twilight School Day:
Open afternoon/evening, school tours, sausage sizzle dinner, view our history.
Evening finishes with a fireworks display on school Oval at 8.30pm (BYO Supper)

LEGENDARY LUNCH MAKERS:
On ‘Heroes & Legends Day’ (Tues 3rd Mar) we are providing morning & afternoon tea plus lunch to all the Legends who attend.
To assist with catering we are asking parishioners to volunteer as ‘legendary lunch makers’ and provide either sandwiches or scones (we’ll add the jam & cream). If you can help please sign up on the sheet in the foyer or contact the Parish Office 9580 7981.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:
World Day of Prayer is an Ecumenical day of prayer celebrated all over the world.
This year’s focus country is The Bahamas.
The service in Mordialloc area is: on Friday 6th March at 2pm at St Nicholas Anglican Church, Bear St, Mordialloc.
All welcome. Excellent guest speaker. Afternoon tea provided.

YR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2016:
Applications for enrolment at Catholic Secondary Schools for Yr 7 in 2016 close on Friday 27th February. Contact School Offices

THANK YOU: Sr Sue would like to say a very big ‘Thank you’ to all parishioners for their support for her card-selling, enabling her to raise $1,430 so far to help her go to Vietnam. Amazingly generous yet again! Bless you all!

HAPPY 80th BIRTHDAY:
Happy Birthday to Eugene Julien who celebrated his 80th birthday recently.

TABLE TENNIS:
Ss Brigid & Louis Men’s Group invites all parishioners (men & ladies) to a social evening of table tennis in St Louis’ Church Foyer on Thursday 26th Feb at 7.30pm. Equipment provided.
For info call Peter Waltho 9587 3184

BAREFOOT BOWLS:
A barefoot bowls evening has been planned for families on Friday 6th March, 5-7pm at Mordialloc Bowling Club.
Cost $5 per player,
BBQ and drinks are available for purchase.
Please sign-up on the sheet in the foyer.
(Need to know numbers for booking purposes)

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ANNIVERSARIES:

HEALING PRAYERS ASKED FOR:

BAPTISMS:
There will be baptisms at 11am Mass at St Brigid’s on Sunday 22nd February.
We welcome in to our Parish family: Indiana Elizabeth Brisbane, Jacob Conrad Verginis.

RCIA PROGRAM:
(RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
The RCIA group will meet this week on Sunday 22nd Feb. at 9.30am Mass at St Louis’.
The RCIA group will also be attending the Rite of Election on this Sunday 22nd Feb at 2pm at St Patrick’s Cathedral.
Next week the RCIA group will meet on Sunday 1st Mar at 11am Mass at St Brigid’s.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:
During the season of Lent there will be Stations of the Cross on Monday at 9.45am at St Louis’ and Friday at 10.45am at St Brigid’s.

NEXT WEEK: COMMITMENT MASSES:
Next weekend (28th Feb/1st Mar) there are Commitment Masses for children from our Parish preparing for their first Eucharist.
Please keep these children in your prayers.

NEXT WEEK: FAMILY MASSES:
Next weekend there are also Family Masses for families of Yr4 at St Louis’ School at 6pm Mass on Sat 28th Feb and 9.30am Mass on Sunday 1st Mar.

JAG PICNIC:
Our Justice Action Group has invited a group of refugees to a Picnic Lunch and they invite you too!
Parish families are invited to come along, mix with our guests, learn a little about their situation and have a fun family day out.
JAG Picnic is on: Sunday 1st March, 12pm in St Brigid’s School Grounds.
Children’s games and BBQ provided.
To help with catering please sign up in the Church Foyer. We ask you to bring along a salad or dessert to share.
Alcohol free event.

LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS:
Lenten Reflection Groups started last week:
on MONDAYS at 7.30pm at St Brigid’s
led by Deacon Joe
on TUESDAYS at 10am at St Louis’
led by Bernadette Carr
on WEDNESDAYS at 10.30am at St Brigid’s
led by Fr Andrew
on THURSDAYS at 7.30pm at St Louis’
led by Sr Reba Woodwiss

RECONCILIATION:
Fri 12noon St Brigid’s, Mordialloc
Sat 5.30pm St Louis’, Aspendale

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:
Mon 9.45am St Louis’
Fri 10.30am St Brigid’s

ROSSY:
is prayed prior to weekday Masses