



## CHRIST THE LIGHT

CATHOLIC PARISH

DOREEN, KINGLAKE, MERNDA, WHITTLESEA

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY. Year A 4 June 2023.

**Parish Priest:** Fr Hien Vu

**Assistant Priest:** Fr Simeon Anthony

**The Parish Office open hours are Tuesday - Friday 9am-4pm**

**Pastoral Worker:** George Thommana

**Parish Secretary:** Margaret Stanford [Tues & Fri: 9am – 4pm]

**Finance/Admin:** Monique Heckmann [Tue, Wed, Thur: 9am – 4pm]

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### Nazareth Centre, Mernda (St Joseph's Primary School)

44 Mernda Village Drive Mernda 3754

Confession/Reconciliation: Saturday 4pm

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 8am and Sunday 10:30am

### St Mary's, Whittlesea

2-20 Fir Street Whittlesea 3757

Weekday Mass: Tuesday & Thursday 9:15am

Confession/Reconciliation after

Tuesday & Thursday 9:15am Mass.

Weekend Mass: Sunday 10am

### St Mary's, Kinglake

124 Whittlesea-Kinglake Rd Kinglake 3763

Weekend Mass: Sunday 8:30am

### St Joseph's, Mernda

1490 Plenty Rd Mernda 3754

Weekday Mass: Wednesday & Friday 9:15am

Weekend Mass: Sunday 5pm

*We pray for those who have died recently: Spencer Brown*

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Antonio Caruso,  
Marlyn Paule,

*We pray for those who are ill in our community: Vincent Orchard,  
Colin McKenzie, Ernie Muscat, Georgina Biondi*

**Entrance Antiphon:** Blest be God  
the Father, and the Only Begotten  
Son of God, and also the Holy  
Spirit, for he has shown us his  
merciful love.

**First Reading:** Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

**Responsorial Psalm:**  
Glory and praise for ever!

**Second Reading:** Corinth 13:11-13

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the  
Father, the Son, and the Holy  
Spirit: to God who is, who was, and  
who is to come. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 3:16-18

### **Next week: Corpus Christi Sunday**

First: Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16

Second: Corinthians 10:16-17

Gospel: John 6:51-58

## Gospel Reflection by Fr Michael Tate Painting the Picture of God

When he was crucified Jesus uttered: 'It is finished.' What had finished? His earthly ministry during which he painted a picture of the most intimate communion between Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, so intimate that the Church needed a new word: 'Tri-Unity' or 'Trinity' for short.

God is pulsating, shimmering light, dancing in threefold exchange of love, each being simultaneously poured into the other. God is 'Being-In-Love' and love is always relational.

'You are made in the image and likeness of God'? Because of the ministry of Jesus Christ, we know what that really means. We are made to live in relationship – not in solitary.

If we think that the ultimate good is to be self-sufficient/autonomous, that leads to a hellish existence. When we live with as much self-giving as is possible, we are on the way to a heavenly existence.

We could pause for a moment to give thanks for the revelation of the nature of God, and consequently of the true nature of human beings.



*We are a Child Safe Parish. We hold the care, safety and well-being of children, young people and vulnerable adults as a central and fundamental responsibility of our community.*



**Christ the Light Parish**  
and the  
**Mernda Filipino Community**  
in cooperation with the  
**African & Samoan Communities**



**Present**

## "Filipino Fiesta & Santacruzian"

**A Fundraising Event in Support of the  
New Church Building  
To be held on the  
12th of August 2023  
Saturday, 6:00pm to 11:00pm  
At the  
St. Mary's Primary School Hall  
2 - 20 Fir Street, Whittlesea, VIC, 3757**

**Join us and experience a  
Night of Filipino Culture, Heritage and Cuisine.  
Lights & Sounds by Al M.**

**Ticket Prices:  
Adults: \$35  
Kids: \$15**

**Dress Code: Smart Casual  
BYO Drinks**

**For Ticket Inquiries, please contact:  
Christine: 0431 075 147 or Anthony: 0450 976 198  
Or the Parish at  
03 9412 8493 / 0448 101 401**

### To celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi

and the 100<sup>th</sup> year of Corpus Christi College, the Seminary will be celebrating a **special Mass on Sunday 11 June at 3pm** at the Seminary Church of the Sacred Heart, Corner of Rathdowne and Pelham Streets, Carlton.

The Vocations Office will be having a special day of prayer for vocations with **Mass on Saturday 10 June at 2pm** followed by Adoration in the Seminary Church of the Sacred Heart.

### GUEST SPEAKER—SISTER

**KERIN CALDWELL sgs**

The program 'Ageing and Awakening : God's Surprising Gifts' is at **St Mary's Whittlesea.**  
**Time is 10am-12:30pm,** with a cuppa at 11am.  
The next session date is **Friday 9 June.**

### NEXT WEEK Roster: 10/11 June 2023

**[W] Welcomer [L] Leader [R] Reader [E] Eucharist [LT] Laptop**

**5:30pm [W] Margaret S, Trish B [L] Ray R [R] Paul N [E] Trish B [LT] Margaret S**

**8am: [W] Ushmani F, Anthony F [L] Cath M [R] Noelene H [E] Roy J [LT] Ryan J**

**10am: [W] Bernadette S, Angelo I [L] Sean S [R] John F [E] Carol C [LT] Barry K**

**10.30am: [W] Libano D, Lasith F [L] Juliet P [R] Silence M [E] Lasith F [LT] Al and choir**

**NAZARETH CENTRE SET UP. 4:30pm on Saturday 10 June: Margaret S, Roy J, Ryan J**

## Fr Simeon - New Appointment

Dear Friends, on 30 May 2023  
The Archbishop appointed  
Fr Simeon as assistant priest to  
*St Peter Apostle Parish  
Hoppers Crossing*  
effective 7 June 2023.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate Fr Simeon on his new journey and with his special gifts he will continue to glorify God through his ministry.

It is short notice for us so we are going to have a special leaving collection for Fr Simeon this weekend.

### SAVE THE DATE: PARISH CAMP

**Friday 21st July to Sunday 23rd July 2023.**

**Parish camping update.**

**4 June 2023** - BBQ to gather ideas from parishioners after 10:30am Mass at the Nazareth Centre.



**STATEMENTS and STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES are AVAILABLE in the BACK of CHURCH this WEEKEND**

Please collect your envelopes and statements today. If possible we ask that if you are able to deliver a neighbours it would be appreciated and save the parish the cost of postage. Direct Deposit statements are also available from the back of church. Credit Card and Direct Debit statements are emailed weekly via our new system. If your details require updating, please email them to the parish office  
**merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au** Thank you

### Catholic Theological College

Find Your Path at CTC Online Information Session

Monday 19 June at 7.30pm (AEST) Register via the website:

[ctc.edu.au/information-session](http://ctc.edu.au/information-session)

For more information contact: Dr Christopher Knauf

[ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/](http://ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/)



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