



## CHRIST THE LIGHT

CATHOLIC PARISH  
DOREEN, KINGLAKE, MERNDA, WHITTLESEA

### Nazareth Centre (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

**LIVE STREAM MASS Every SUNDAY 10:30am**

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### St Mary's, Whittlesea

2-20 Fir Street Whittlesea 3757

Weekday Mass: Tuesday & Thursday 9:15 am

Confession/Reconciliation after

Tuesday & Thursday Mass at 10am.

Weekend: Sunday 10 am

### St Mary's, Kinglake

124 Whittlesea-Kinglake Rd Kinglake 3763

Weekend Mass Sunday 8:30 am

### St Joseph's, Mernda

1490 Plenty Rd Mernda 3754

Weekday Mass: Wednesday & Friday 9:15 am

Weekend: Sunday 5pm

25th Sunday Ordinary Time.

18 September 2022. YEAR C.

**Parish Priest:** Fr Hien Vu

**Assistant Priest:** Fr Simeon Anthony

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

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

**Pastoral Associate:** Sandy Starbuck Tue, Wed, Fri [9401 6321]

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*We pray for those who have died recently:*

*And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:* Minerva Rosales, Inez Muscat, Benny Mammarella, Josephine Caruso

*We pray for those who are ill in our community:* John & Vivian Sguerzi, Jenna Huynh, Vincent Orchard, Patrick Anderson, Angela Barilari, Paddy & Eileen Fitzgerald, Peter Bettes, Paola Curatore, Leroy Folau, Irene Serritelli, Simon Boulous, Mick McManus, Fr Brendan Dillon.

**Entrance Antiphon:** I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

**First Reading:** Amos 8:4-7

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

**Second Reading:**

St Paul to Timothy 2:1-8

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13

**Next Week: 26th Sun Ord Time. Year C.**

First: Amos 6:1. 4-7

Second: St Paul to Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

## GOSPEL REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

Jesus' instruction to use money to win welcome in the 'tents of eternity' is really an encouragement for us to be good stewards who are more concerned with the future than finances. After all, he makes this point after describing a wasteful steward who, for personal gain, dishonestly writes off chunks of money owed to his master – hardly a model citizen. Money is tainted, Jesus says, and it will inevitably fail us. Only the bigger picture and set of relationships we build with it really matters.

So, this Season of Creation we would do well to reflect on how we use both money and the earth's resources. Do we cut corners for our own selfish aspirations, like the dishonest steward? Do we trample the needy for our own gain and comfort, like the contemporaries of Amos? Or might we cooperate with God in lifting the lowly and raising the poor from trash piles and dung heaps? Do we recycle the world's resources, or throw away our unwanted things to accumulate and afflict the poorest? Do we pray with St Paul for those in authority to make right decisions, or do we vote for unjust policies which make the rich richer, the poor poorer, and the earth dirtier?

**NEW Church Building Bank Account Details:**

If you would like to make a Direct Deposit DONATION to the New Church Building account please use account details below:

BSB: 083 - 347  
Acct No: 135 263 131  
Name: New Church Building



**9:15am COMMUNION SERVICE**

**St Joseph's church  
1490 Plenty Rd, Mernda**

**Wednesday 21 September  
Friday 23 September**



*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.*



**SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2022.** On this day we are invited to acknowledge and pray for all the Catholic social service agencies across the Archdiocese that offer professional and volunteer services and support to those most needy and marginalized in our society. More information can be found at <https://css.org.au/service-providers/>

**RITE OF BAPTISM 2023.** Beginning January 2023 the Rite of Baptism will be celebrated at St Mary's Church Whittlesea only on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekends of the month at 11:15am. Further information will be shared with the community this weekend. Thank you.

**MULTI-CULTURAL DINNER . SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2022.**

**6:30pm at Anawim Centre. St Mary's, Whittlesea**

**MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY MASS.** Join with migrant communities from all over Melbourne to celebrate World Day of Migrants and Refugees at St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne. Mass celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli and migrant chaplains of the Archdiocese of Melbourne. **Sunday 25 September 2022.** Rosary in various languages at 2pm. Mass at 3pm.

**FREE CARER INFORMATION SESSION.** You are invited to come along and learn where carers can get support. Team leader Jason, from Family Care, will happily answer your questions. **Thursday 29 September, 11:30am - 12:30pm.** Kinglake Library, 19 Whittlesea-Kinglake Rd Kinglake.

**SACRED HEART GIRLS' COLLEGE OAKLEIGH – 65<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY REUNION.** Celebrating 65 years since the founding of Sacred Heart Girls' College by the RNDM sisters. All former students and staff of the College are warmly invited to attend a tour and afternoon tea on **Sunday 16 October between 2pm and 4.30pm.** To book your place, please go to <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=956855&>



**CATHOLIC INFLUENCERS PODCASTS.** Available weekly on all platforms. Fr Rob Galea, and two female co-hosts (Alyssa Agius & Justine Cumbo) study the weekly readings and break them down into lay man's terms, showing you how they are relevant to our life today. Everyone is invited to listen and prepare their hearts for Mass each week.

**NAZARETH CENTRE SET UP. 4:30pm on Saturday 24 September.** Chris B, Patrick B, Ajith D.S

DATE	MASS	WELCOMER	READER	EUCARIST	LAPTOP
24 Sept	5.30pm	Patrick B Chris B.	Leader: Lanka E. Reader: Trish B.	Paul N.	Liz B.
25 Sept	8am	Mick A. Anneston A.	Leader: Ajith D.S Reader: Binu D.	Roy J.	Ryan J.
	10am	Mary W. Joyce L.	Leader: Maria M. Reader: Angelo I.	Grace M.	Barry K.
	10.30am	Bella T. Anna T.	Leader: Sandy S. Reader: Shevan F.	George Snr	George T, Lasith F

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