



CHRIST THE LIGHT

CATHOLIC PARISH
DOREEN, KINGLAKE, MERNDA, WHITTLESEA

EASTER SUNDAY. Year A 9 April 2023

Parish Priest: Fr Hien Vu

Assistant Priest: Fr Simeon Anthony

The Parish Office open hours are Tuesday - Friday 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:

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Trevor Wood,
Patrick Joseph O'Connor, Jack Toonen

We pray for those who are ill in our community: Vincent Orchard,
Colin McKenzie, Caroline Perrett, Fleur Goodier, Michelle Mantello

Entrance Antiphon:

I have risen, and I am with you still,
alleluia. You have laid your hand upon
me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me,
this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 10.34. 37-43

Responsorial Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let
us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become
our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with
joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20: 1-9

Next week: 2nd Sunday Easter. Year A

First: Acts 2:42-47

Second: St Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

REFLECTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE – by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Jesus' tomb was empty. It had even been cleaned up. The linen burial cloths were folded and rolled up neatly. Everything was left in order and taken care of. Jesus was clearly finished with this grave. No more of this 'death business' for him. He left it totally behind, and was fully alive, never to know the sufferings of death again.

Have you ever made a transition in life? Did you ever take a step and know that a part of your former life was totally behind you? What happened? How did you feel? Did you find yourself trying to take care of things or leave things in order in any way? Obviously Mary, Peter and the other disciple were close friends with one another and with Jesus. It is easy to picture the three of them running to the tomb together to be sure of what actually happened.

Who are the Marys and Peters in your life? Have you ever hurried to get to some important place? Have you ever struggled with someone else to figure out what was really happening in an important situation that affected you or a friend of yours? What happened and how did that affect your relationship?



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.



Fr Hien and Fr Simeon and the Parish Team of Christ the Light Parish
Wish every blessing to our Parishioners as we celebrate the joy of the Risen Lord during this Easter time.



Easter Sunday. 9 April 2023.



Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!



Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion and donate online or call 1800 024 413.



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SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY 13 MAY 2023.

“Christ the Light’s Got Talent”- Mother’s Day celebration & fundraising led by Indian community.

If you can help at this event in any way, please email the office: merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au or you can text: 0448 101 401

MARCH MEETING OF WMI/CCCW

Fr Simeon, Lynne and Maureen.

Foodshare. * Approximately 50 people each week are accessing this service.

- * Bunnings are providing a BBQ on Wednesday 10 May.
- * Any garden produce is much appreciated.

All Souls Day at Yan Yean Cemetery. * An open invitation has been extended to other communities in the township to join us instead of having the usual service held the Sunday after the Whittlesea Show.

- * Further discussion will occur at the April meeting.

The Anglican Op Shop in Laurel Street. * Have a new manager.

- * This community has offered help of goods and clothing to anyone in need for free.

GUEST SPEAKER—SISTER KERIN CALDWELL sgs

The program ‘Ageing and Awakening : God’s Surprising Gifts’ is for all parishioners who are in post retirement years. Everyone from every community is very welcome to attend.

It will be held at St Mary’s Whittlesea.

The time will be 10am-12:30pm, with a cuppa at 11am.

The 6 Session dates are:

May 5, May 19, June 2, June 16, June 30, July 14

If you are interested in attending, please write your name on the clipboard.

NEXT WEEK Roster: 15/16 April

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

5:30pm [W] Doris M, Ernie M [L] Chris B [R] Trish B [E] Ernie M [LT] Liz B

8am: [W] Carmel W, Terry W [L] Cath M [R] Ushmani F [E] Anthony F [LT] Ryan J

10am: [W] Bernadette S, Joyce L [L] Sean S [R] Maria M [E] Lynne F [LT] Barry K

10.30am: [W] Libano D, Aeshan F [L] Silence M [R] Shevan F [E] Libano D [LT] Lasith F

NAZARETH CENTRE SET UP. 4:30pm on Sat 15 April: Dee F, Dinesh F, Anton S



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