



## 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 9:15am 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

27th Sunday Ordinary Time.

2 October 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]

**Sacraments:** Contact Parish Office [9412 8493]

**Finance/Admin:** Monique Heckmann Tue, Wed, Thur [9412 8493]

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We pray for those who have died recently: Elaine Murphy

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Philomena Santos,  
Claire Sayers

We pray for those who are ill in our community: Vincent Orchard,  
Patrick Anderson, Angela Barilari, Paddy & Eileen Fitzgerald, Leroy  
Folau, Mick McManus, Nevin Mangoba, Fr Brendan Dillon

**Entrance Antiphon:** Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

**First Reading:** Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4

**Responsorial Psalm:**

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

**Second Reading:** St Paul to Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia. The word of the Lord stands for ever: it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 17:5-10

**Next Week: 28th Sun Ord Time. Year C.**

First: Kings 5:14-17

Second: St Paul to Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

## GOSPEL REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In our struggles to be faithful disciples, we frequently must endure periods when we feel abandoned by God. When we have been intent on serving God with genuine devotion, such times are particularly trying, for one would expect that God would not withdraw consolations. When this happens, the broken heart and the strained spirit cry out to God in complaint: How long? Why? We have all been worn down by life, tempted to give up, too weary to go on.

Faith in God is a gift for which we pray. It enables us to accomplish marvelous feats; with it we can move mountains. As unprofitable servants, we do not earn it; we have no right to claim it as our own. We are the ones from whom faithful service will be expected. We will be sent to plough the fields and tend the sheep. We will be called to serve at table.

The faith that is ours has been mediated to us through the community. We have heard about God and about Jesus from others, from our parents and families, from our teachers and those who preach, from those with whom we work and play. Faith comes from God, but through the mediation of the community. Timothy received faith from his mother and grandmother. It was strengthened in him through the imposition of Paul's hands and through his preaching of the word of God. Furthermore, what Paul taught had first been handed down to him from those who preceded him.



**Save the date...Multi Cultural Dinner, SATURDAY 19 November, 6.30pm Anawim Centre Whittlesea.**

For our Parish event we are asking for some volunteers to make sausage rolls (recipe will be provided and can be made in advance then frozen).

If you would be willing to do a traditional dance or song we would love to hear about it.

We are also asking for donations of NEW items or vouchers for silent auctions, (Perfume, Toys, Lego, wine, sporting goods etc.) and coin toss games (chocolates, wine, bottles of spirits etc). If you can help with any of these requests please contact the Parish Office, Liz Williams at [lizwill126@gmail.com](mailto:lizwill126@gmail.com) or Liz Blake at [eachblake@bigpond.com](mailto:eachblake@bigpond.com). Thanking you and working together we can make this an outstanding night for our parish as well as raising funds for the New Church Building Fund.



**Church Visits** - Fr Hien and the Church Building Team are on a church tour SATURDAY 1 and SUNDAY 2 October.



**Tuesday 4 October. 10am Morning Tea** - We invite all of our volunteers who give Communion to the sick. Please join us for morning tea in the parish office after the 9:15am Mass at St Mary's Whittlesea.

It is with mixed emotion that I bring to you the news that I will be resigning from my role as Pastoral Associate here at Christ the Light Parish effective the end of October. I will be taking up the position of Pastoral Associate of the St Mary's Catholic Parish, Greensborough. The Spirit of our Loving God stirs within us prompting us to respond. Over sometime I became aware that for me, His gentle yet consistent stirrings led me to times of deep reflection and prayer. It was a call for me to make a change and journey to a new place of service at St Mary's Parish. Details of my final Masses across our Parish communities will be available in next weekend's newsletter. Sandy Starbuck.

**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



**125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Consecration St Patrick's Cathedral.** As we celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.



**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.**



**Saint Vincent de Paul.** "Love the poor. Honour them, my children, as you would honour Christ himself". The feast day for St. Vincent de Paul, the patron of all charitable associations, is September 27. An appointment as chaplain to a poor parish, and to galley prisoners, inspired him to a vocation of working with those most marginalised and powerless. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society was named after him and follows his teachings and compassion for people in need. To read more please visit <https://www.vinnies.org.au/>

**THEOLOGY AT THE PUB.** Talk: "Becoming Faithful Servants". Speaker: Roseanne Rofael. Date: Monday 3rd October 2022. Doors open: 6pm. Talk starts: 7:30pm. Location: Level 1, European Bier Cafe, 120 Exhibition St. **Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/tapmelb](https://www.facebook.com/tapmelb) or **Instagram:** [www.instagram.com/tap\\_melb/](https://www.instagram.com/tap_melb/) or **Website:** <https://www.theologyatthepub.com.au/>

DATE	MASS	WELCOMER	READER	EUCARIST	LAPTOP
8 Oct	5.30pm	Doris M. Chris B.	Leader: Ray R. Reader: Patrick B	Ernie M.	Liz B.
9 Oct	8am	Biju K. Sarah B.	Leader: Ajith D.S Reader: Michelle B.	Roy J.	Ryan J.
	10am	John F. Maureen C.	Leader: Tracey K. Reader: Xander B.	Angelo I.	Barry K.
	10.30am	Juliet P. Aeshan F.	Leader: Laetitia M. Reader: Vanessa C.	George Snr	Al and choir

**NAZARETH CENTRE SET UP.**

**4:30pm on Saturday 8 October.** Patrick B, Margaret S, Charlie S

Thank you to all of our volunteers who bring Christ the Light Parish to LIFE!