



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

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

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time.

13 November 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]

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We pray for those who have died recently: Patrick Anderson, Adrian Marsden, Geoff Jones, Eduardo Marasigan, Lourdes Cuevas

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

We pray for those who are ill in our community: Vincent Orchard, Paddy & Eileen Fitzgerald, Mary Harvey, Fr Brendan Dillon, Margaret Carter, Pat Rye, Elizabeth Miller, Vincent Ah-Kiau

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord said:

I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First Reading:

Malachi 3:19-20

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Second Reading:

St Paul to Thess 3:7-12

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia. Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

**Next week: Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of The Universe**

First: Samuel 5:1-3

Second: St Paul to Coloss 1:12-20

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

GOSPEL REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The Sun of Righteousness

Our prayer can tell us a lot about the image of God we really have – holding a parking spot for us, or stopping rain on the second day of the Australian Open. But, if you were in Syria, your prayerful image of God would be as a Liberator from warfare, of a Saviour from Crimes against Humanity, of a Strengtheners in time of torture and impending death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises his persecuted followers of every age, 'Your endurance will win your lives'. As Malachi prophesied: 'the sun of righteousness *will* shine out with healing in its rays'.

It is our faith that, out of the darkness of the tomb, the Son of righteousness did rise with healing in His rays, bathing the world with that light which makes the world habitable for human beings.

We could take a moment to pray for contemporary persecuted Christians that their faithful endurance will win their lives.



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.

PARISH EVENTS

Multi Cultural Dinner

SATURDAY 19 November, Anawim Centre at St Mary's Whittlesea, 6pm onwards

<https://www.trybooking.com/CDQDW>



This is the last weekend to hand in your booking slips and please note that TRY-BOOKING will be closed off at midnight Monday 14th November. All booking slips with money or Try-booking details, in their envelopes, can be placed in any collection plate at each Mass or handed into the Parish Office.

Tickets are \$25 an Adult, \$15 for children under 12 years or \$65.00 for a family (2 x Adults and up to 4 children). **Bookings are essential.**

To view the menu: please see the noticeboard at each Mass Centre. All monies raised will go to the New Church Building fund.

We are asking for volunteers to assist on the day or night to help with setting up and cleaning up. Many hands make light work and by working together we can make this a very successful event. If you can volunteer for an hour or two, please email:

Liz Williams: lizwill126@gmail.com or Liz Blake: eachblake@bigpond.com

We would like to acknowledge generous donations from Laurimar Espresso Bar, Bunnings Mernda, Woolworths Mernda and Laurimar Quality Meats to help make this an exciting and profitable event.

It will be a great night of Multicultural Food, Entertainment, Spot prizes and multicultural music. BYO drink and glasses. There will be a raffle, silent auctions, games and coin tosses. So make sure you bring some cash along with you as there is **No eftpos available.**

Stop the clock. The time slots left will be available for purchase on the night. A \$5 investment could result in \$200.00 in your pocket. It is going to be a night filled with friendship, laughter and opportunities for you to grab a prize or a bargain. At the same time, you will be helping get our New Church built. See you all there.

CHRIST THE LIGHT TEEN GATHERING

Christ the Light parish would like to welcome all the teens (Grade 8 to Grade 11) from our parish to spend an evening together in prayer and fellowship. We will have some pizza to wrap the night up.

When - Saturday 26th November 6:30pm (after 5:30pm Mass)

Where - Nazareth Centre at St Joseph's Primary School Mernda

We encourage you to share this with your friends and families. Parents are welcome to stay back for the session. For more information please feel free to contact the parish office: merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au or call 9412 8493.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: SUNDAY 13 November at 2:00pm. Yan Yean Cemetery Chapel, The Combined Churches of Whittlesea (WMI)

All welcome.

HEALING MASS: THURSDAY 17 November at 9:15am. St Mary's Whittlesea.

Christ The Light Parish - Sacramental Program 2023 Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation

Enrolment dates are: Tuesday to Friday (15th to 18th November) 9.00am to 3.00pm at Parish Pastoral Centre: 2-20 Fir Street, Whittlesea

SATURDAY 5:30pm MASS 19 NOVEMBER will be celebrated at St Mary's church, Whittlesea. Please join us in the Anawim Centre after the Mass for our Multicultural dinner. Ticket details are at the top of the newsletter.

NOVEMBER MEMORIAL MASSES. In the month of November we especially remember and pray for our departed loved ones. November mass offering envelopes are available from the foyer of church today and included in your stewardship package.

2023 Columban Calendars are available from the back of Church today \$10

Catholic Deaf Collection. Leaving collection after all Masses this weekend.

We would like to welcome Brendan Podbury from the St Vincent de Paul Society, at our 8.30am and 10am Masses today. Please make Brendan welcome and feel free to have a chat with him if you would like know more about the work of the Society. There will be a follow up "Come & See" on Tuesday 15 November with Joan Riley, for any people that express an interest in knowing more about the Society and it's work. Please see Brendan or Mary after Mass or ring Mary on 0409 169 826



*The hand of Christ
blesses the cup*



*The hand of Christ
offers the cup*



*The hand of Christ
receives the cup*

SAFEGUARDING LAUNCH after ALL MERNDA MASSES this weekend 12/13 NOVEMBER

If you contribute to the life of the parish in any way, are a Ministry Volunteer or a Committee Team Member we would like you to join us after any of our Mernda masses this weekend for a conversation and to share your best experiences growing up in the church followed by a 'Code of Conduct' signing.

NEXT WEEK Roster: 19/20 November

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

5:30pm Whittlesea: [W] Doris M, Ernie M [L] Ray R [R] Paul N [E] Ernie M [LT] Barry K

8am: [W] Biju K, Sarah B [L] Mary D [R] Alessandro U [E] Neeta K [LT] Michelle B

10am: [W] John F, Joyce L [L] Angelo I [R] Maria M [E] Karen H [LT] Barry K

10.30am: [W] Bella T, Anna T [L] Juliet P [R] Laetitia M [E] Silence M [LT] Al & choir

NAZARETH CENTRE SET UP. 4:30pm on Saturday 19 November: Chris B, Bill F, Ajith D.S



Account Details:

If you would like to make a Direct Deposit DONATION to the New Church Building account.

BSB: 083 - 347

Acct No: 135 263 131

Name: New Church Building