



## CHRIST THE LIGHT

CATHOLIC PARISH

DOREEN, KINGLAKE, MERNDA, WHITTLESEA

## 2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday Year B 11 April 2021

**Parish Priest:** Fr Martin Ashe  
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### Nazareth Centre

#### (St Joseph's Primary School)

44 Mernda Village Drive Mernda 3754

Weekday Mass: Wednesday & Friday 9:15 am

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

Weekend Mass: Sunday 10 am

Reconciliation 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays 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

Reconciliation 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays 10 am

*We pray for those who have died recently:*

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

*We pray for those who are ill in our community:*

*Margaret Hacker, Charlie Galea*

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia

#### **First Reading:**

Acts of Apostles 4:32-35

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

#### **Second Reading:**

First Letter of St John 5:1-6

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

#### **Gospel:** John 20:19-31

#### **Next week: Yr B 3rd Sunday Easter**

First: Acts of Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19

Second: Letter of St John 2:1-5

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

## **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

Today we consider the presence of the Risen Lord. Where is he found? Each of the readings offers an answer to this question. The Risen Christ is found in the community of believers who follow the example of Jesus. Even non-believers recognised something marvellously different about the Christian community, and they exclaimed: These Christians, see how they love one another.

The Risen Christ is found in those who accept the truth of the resurrection on the word of others. The word of God preached by others has often brought us out of darkness into light, from the stranglehold of death to the birth of new life. The preaching of the disciples has been not only instructive, it has also been transformative.

The Risen Christ is found in the forgiveness of sin. Jesus made the frightened disciples ministers of divine forgiveness. The Spirit reconciles sinners with God and, thereby, with the rest of the believing community. Forgiveness is a tangible sign of Christ's mystical presence.

The Risen Christ is found in the physical manifestation of Christ's own wounds, the wounds that he offered to be touched. Since the community is the body of Christ, we touch the wounds of Christ when we touch the wounds of the community, when we go out to the sick and infirm, the dispossessed and the violated. As shocking as these wounds may appear, they are really glorious, because the Risen Lord has identified with them and has made them his own.

**Dianne Bergant CSA**



**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 live stream will not be available this Sunday 11 April**

**Mass for you at home can be viewed at 11am free to air channel 31 or channel 44 digital tv**

**The Parish Office is open Tuesday—Friday 9am-4pm.**

If you call the office **9412 8493** outside these hours, please leave a voice message or email **merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au** and a team member will get back to you as soon as possible.

**GOOD FRIDAY CHOIR**



**Holy Thursday Altar**



**Easter Sunday Choir**



If you were able to attend our Holy Week or Easter services the Music that greeted each of us and carried us in song throughout the Triduum, gave cause for the Parish of Christ of Light to give thanks. Let us give thanks to God for those who provided the Music Liturgy that carried our prayer, reflection and praise to the heavens. Thank you to Cooke David and Lloyd Seamus providing us with the melodious songs befitting our Holy Thursday Service, Stations of the Cross and then to lift us joyfully in harmonious Praise at the Easter Vigil. Above are Al Mercado and Choir dressed in white fitting for Friday of the Passion of the Lord and in yellow for celebration of Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord. Share your experience with your friends and family and invite them to come along to experience those that serve God through their Music and song!

**THANK YOU** - To all our volunteers and those of you that came along to buy a sausage and support our Bunnings Parish fundraising efforts.



**trybooking** All weekend Masses for 17/18 April are open for bookings, see links below or visit our website [www.christthelightparish.org.au](http://www.christthelightparish.org.au)

- 5.30pm Nazareth Centre <https://www.trybooking.com/BPVYL>
- 8am Nazareth Centre <https://www.trybooking.com/BPVYN>
- 8.30am St Mary's Kinglake <https://www.trybooking.com/BPVYO>
- 10am St Mary's Whittlesea <https://www.trybooking.com/BPVYR>
- 10.30am Nazareth Centre <https://www.trybooking.com/BPVYS>

**INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION** will be held at 10am on Saturday 17 April 21, St Joseph's Church Mernda

**Memorial Mass for Easter Sunday Bombing victims of Sri Lanka 2019**

Sri Lankan Catholic community in Christ the Light parish kindly invites our parishioners to join with them at the Memorial Mass scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021, Wednesday 7:30pm at the Nazareth Centre [St. Joseph's Primary School]. Participants are required to arrange bookings via Trybooking please see link below

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

[Bookings open now - closes at 9pm Friday 20 April]

or contact the Parish office on 9412 8493 or the organizers Ineshka on 0426 571 605 or Ajith [Joe] on 0435 811 745.

*Project Compassion*

PLEASE remember to return your Project Compassion boxes and Lenten envelopes. Thank you.



**Catholic Theological College Newman and the Nineteenth Century Church**

Online unit via zoom on 12 Saturday mornings from 17 April—18 September

Lecturer: Rev. Prof. Austin Cooper OMI AM  
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 Options available

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