



CHRIST THE LIGHT

CATHOLIC PARISH

DOREEN, KINGLAKE, MERNDA, WHITTLESEA

33rd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME. Year B. 14 November 2021

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Nazareth Centre (St Joseph's Primary School)

44 Mernda Village Drive Mernda 3754

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

Reconciliation after Tuesday & Thursday

Mass at 10am.

Weekend: Anawim Centre 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 Outdoor Mass: Sunday 5pm

We pray for those who have died recently: Kathleen Taylor, Charles Galea, Alex Pinto, Luis Mascarenhas,

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patrick and Gertrude Ganlath, Christie & Constance De Silva

We pray for those who are ill in our community: Kathryn Rockwell, Susanna Ah Kiau, Fr Jude Johnson, Sr Elizabeth Costigan, Lucy Abolencia

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: Daniel 12:1-13

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15:5,8-11

Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Next Week: Christ the King Yr B.

1st: Daniel 7:13-14

2nd: Apocalypse 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Gospel Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Although this is not the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the major theme found in the readings is the end of time. The events that will usher in and will take place during this time are described in apocalyptic terms. The struggles of life will culminate in a massive cosmic confrontation between the forces of good and those of evil. This last battle will be universal in scope, just like the first primordial conflict between chaos and God.

In some way, all of today's readings state that good will finally prevail over evil. In the last days Michael, the angelic warrior of God, will rise up. In the epistle, Christ is pictured seated triumphantly at the right hand of God with his enemies under his foot, a sign of conquest. Finally, in the gospel, the Son of Man, the mysterious figure from apocalyptic literature, comes in the clouds with great power and glory. All of these images are apocalyptic; each of them is quite hopeful.

We read these stories at the close of the liturgical year, because we are coming to the conclusion of our yearly telling of the story of salvation. However, apocalyptic images are timely whenever we find ourselves in the throes of the battle with evil and it appears that we will succumb. These forms will remind us that good will be able to withstand evil. From this we will conclude that we need only trust in God.



**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.**

**SUNDAY 10:30am Mass
will be our LIVE STREAM MASS**
which can be accessed at the Home Page of the parish website.
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**Contact the Parish Office
Tuesday—Friday
9am-4pm**
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8.30am St Mary's Kinglake Sunday 21 November Trybooking not required. Limit of 30 people. QR Check-in is required at entry. FOR CELEBRATION OF MASS ON SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER AND SUNDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2021.
***IMPORTANT: ALL ATTENDEES ARE REQUIRED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED AND HOLD VERIFICATION OF THEIR VACCINATION STATUS BEFORE ENTRY**
YOU MUST BOOK THROUGH TRYBOOKING. Please visit our website for the links. Maximum attendees 70.
Bookings for ALL MASSES IS REQUIRED

OPEN OUTDOOR MASS 5pm SUNDAY 21 NOVEMBER AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH [Plenty Road Mernda] We warmly welcome all those with undisclosed vaccination status and families with children under 12 years of age to join us at our outdoor Mass. QR check-in is required upon arrival. To attend this mass you must register via Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/BVELS> Limit of 30 attendees.

NO WEEKDAY MORNING MASSES—Tue 16, Wed 17, Thur 18, Fri 19 Nov. Fr Hien is away. He is leading Priests on a retreat.

Help Needed - Fr Peter Carrucan has kindly offered to celebrate 8.30am at St Mary's Kinglake on Sunday 21 November, however we need a volunteer from the parish community who would be available to drive Fr Peter from Mernda to Kinglake, pick up time 7.30am from the Nazareth Centre. If this sounds like something you are available to assist with please contact the parish office 9412 8493 or via email merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au

Parish Child Safeguarding Committee meeting. Thursday, 18 November at 7pm via zoom.

ADVENT REFLECTION SESSIONS. During the weeks of Advent, Fr Hien together with Fr Jude, Sr Maureen Delaney and Sandy Starbuck, will facilitate sessions for prayerful meditation to *"ponder in your heart the many "blessings" in your life"*. Sessions will be: **THURSDAYS – 7pm (via zoom) – 25 November, 2 December, 9 December, 16 December and FRIDAYS – following the 9.15am Mass – St Joseph's Church, Plenty Road – 26 November, 3 December, 10 December, 17 December.** Contact the Parish Office: 9412 8493 or email merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au, to register your interest in attending. A copy of our resource-*"Blessed"*-will be forwarded to you and you will be notified of zoom details. Extra copies *"Blessed"* will be available from next week in all communities for those who are not able to attend the sessions.

Plant sale is on at the Nazareth Centre after Masses this weekend for any budding gardeners. All donations will be given to the church fund. A big thank you to Maureen Cooper for providing all the plants.

Catholic Deaf Leaving Collection will take place at all masses this weekend, 13/14 November. We thank you for your support.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle. The Parish is conducting the Sizzle at Bunnings Mernda on **Sunday November 28**. This is both a fund raiser and an outreach exercise. We have filled most of our volunteer roster for this but a few more would help (contact Bill Frilay 0410 479 257 if you wish to help). All welcome to come and support us with this initiative.

Sunday 14 November is the Fifth Annual World Day of the Poor. The theme is *"The Poor will Always Be With You."* To read the prayer and a message from Pope Francis please visit: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/event/world-day-of-the-poor-2/>

DATE	MASS	WELCOMER/COVID SAFETY OFFICER/TRYBOOKING LIST	READER	SANITISTER	EUCARIST	LAPTOP
20 Nov	5.30pm	Chris B, Patrick B, Ray R, Trish B	Chris B	Ray R Patrick B	Trish B	Liz B
21 Nov	8am	Bill F, Terry W, Carmel W, Mick A	Bill F	Terry W Carmel W	Carmel A	Maya
	10am	Mary W, Dora B, Estalita B, Karen H	John F	Dora B, Estalita B,	Karen H	Barry K
	10.30am	Malou L, Paul N Mary D, Laetitia M	Lanka E	Malou L Laetitia M	Silence M	Yvonne D