



## CHRIST THE LIGHT

CATHOLIC PARISH

DOREEN, KINGLAKE, MERNDA, WHITTLESEA

## 15th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME. Year B. 11 July 2021

**Parish Priest:** Fr Martin Ashe  
**Assistant Priest:** Fr Jude Johnson  
**Parish Secretary:** Margaret Stanford [Tues & Fri: 9am – 4pm]  
**Pastoral Associate:** Sandy Starbuck Tue, Wed, Fri [9401 6324]  
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**Website:** [www.christthelightparish.org.au](http://www.christthelightparish.org.au)

### 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: Palmira Da Silva

*We pray for those who are ill in our community: Charles Galea, Suad Shisha, Debbie White*

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

#### **First Reading:** Amos 7:12-15

#### **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 84:9-14

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

#### **Second Reading:** St Paul to Eph 1:3-14

#### **Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

#### **Gospel:** Mark 6:7-13

#### **Next Week: 16th Sun Ord Time Yr B**

1st: Jeremiah 23:1-6

2nd: St Paul to Eph 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION** by Dianne Bergant CSA

God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

#### Whittlesea - ST MARY'S



#### Mernda - NAZARETH CENTRE



#### Kinglake - ST MARY'S





**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.  
[www.christthelightparish.org.au](http://www.christthelightparish.org.au)



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

If you would like to contact the parish please call **9412 8493** and leave a voice message or email **merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au** and a team member will get back to you as soon as possible.

**You must register via TryBooking to attend weekend Mass. The link is on our website:**



[www.christthelightparish.org.au](http://www.christthelightparish.org.au) Due to the government regulations, there is a maximum number of **120 people (2sqm rule) allowed for Mass.** Please do not be late as the door will be closed at the commencement of Mass.

5:30pm SAT 17 July <https://www.trybooking.com/BSLIW>  
8am SUNDAY 18 July <https://www.trybooking.com/BSLIY>  
10am SUNDAY 18 July <https://www.trybooking.com/BSLJA>  
10.30am SUNDAY 18 July <https://www.trybooking.com/BSLJC>  
**[10:30am Mass will be livestreamed until further notice]**

**\*8.30am St Mary's Kinglake [Regional]** [Trybooking is NOT required and maximum of 33 people]

In addition to TryBooking for Weekend Mass **you must register with the QR Code as you arrive for Mass.** These codes can be found at the entrances of worship centres.



**Mask must be worn during Mass** for all over the age of 12 or a lawful exemption applies.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):** Saturday 17 July at 10am, St Joseph's church, Plenty Road, Mernda

**FAREWELL FOR FR MARTIN: Sunday 18 July from 12pm.** The Parish farewell to Fr Martin will be at the Anawin Centre at St Mary's, Whittlesea. We want everyone to attend; **please book via this Trybooking link** <https://www.trybooking.com/BSRSZ>. Contributions for a farewell present (for a fine priest who has served us so well) via leaving collections after Mass or give your donation to Margaret or Monique at the office on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays.

**AN INVITATION TO PRAYER** was sent to all families who have children preparing for their First Eucharist in August. Families were invited to send a photo of how they have put prayer into practice in their home. Here you see ← **Annesten with his family** praying the Rosary which they share digitally with their families. You too are invited to Prayer! Check out the presentation on the Parish website; [www.christthelightparish.org.au](http://www.christthelightparish.org.au), and renew and re-energise your own prayer practice.



**TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL: Beginning the Journey** is an online workshop offered by the PROCLAIM team of the Archdiocese, as encouraged by Archbishop Peter in his pastoral letter. I would encourage you to register to attend either of the **final 2 workshops in July: Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30am, OR Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 7.30pm.** The workshops give opportunity "to prayerfully begin a journey of listening, learning and walking together," (– Jacqui Giuliano, Proclaim Office) as a way to explore and experience the Archbishop's letter. **Praying for the Archdiocese of Melbourne takes place each Wednesday at 7.30pm and Thursday at 12.30pm.** For more information regarding this and resource materials please go to: <https://melbournecatholic.org/about/mission>.



**BECOMING CATHOLIC.** Have you ever considered this?  
Has anyone ever invited you to join the Catholic Community?  
Would you be interested? Would you like some questions answered?  
If these questions reflect ones you may be asking of yourself – I would welcome the opportunity to chat with you. Contact me by phoning **9401 6324/0402 984 525. Sandy Starbuck, Pastoral Associate**

**ROSTERS:** Please find a swap or replacement if you cannot help on your rostered day. Thank you to all our volunteers.

| DATE    | MASS    | QR CODE                              | READER          | SANITISTER                       | EUCCHARIST      | LAPTOP        |
|---------|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 17 July | 5.30pm  | Chris Blake<br>Doris Muscat          | Patrick Boulous | Ernie Muscat<br>Trish Bradshaw   | Paul Newman     | Liz Blake     |
| 18 July | 8am     | Bill Frilay<br>Roy James             | Michelle Biju   | Biju K.<br>Neeta K.              | Dianne M.       | Mya El Najjar |
|         | 10am    | Sandy S.<br>Lyn Oaten                | John Oaten      | Carol Caruso<br>Grace Mallia     | Sandy S.        | Barry Kincade |
|         | 10.30am | Silence Matanhiie<br>Lasith Fernando | Lanka Ediriwa   | Libano Dias<br>Silence Matanhiie | Lasith Fernando | Al and choir  |



## CHRIST THE LIGHT PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT TO PARISH

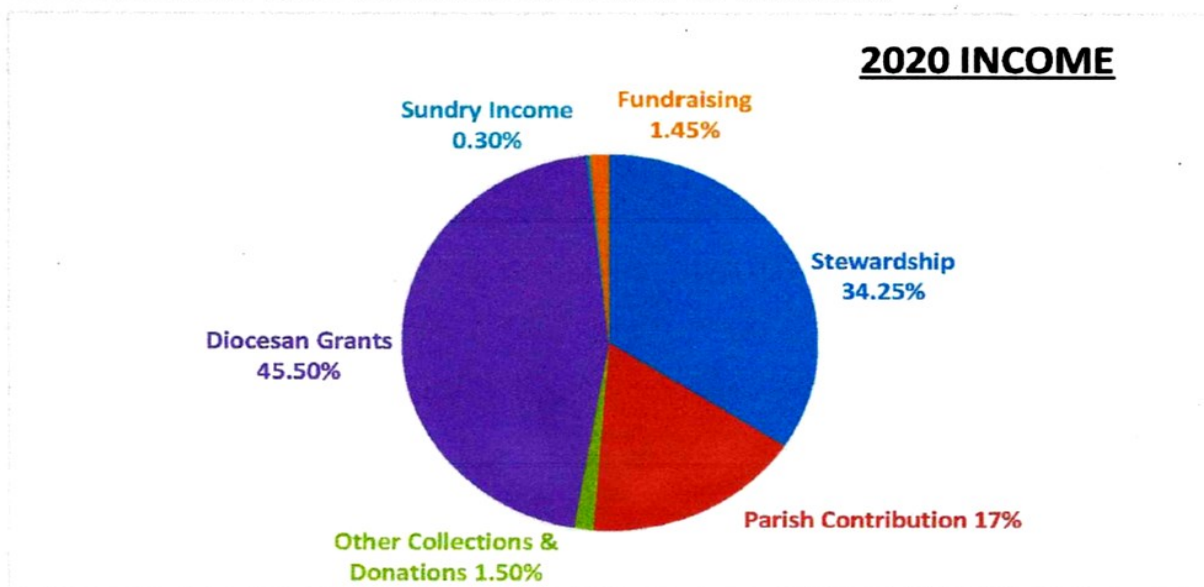
Christ the Light Parish comprising the communities of Doreen, Kinglake, Mernda and Whittlesea, has lodged its 2020 Annual Financial Statement to the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The Covid Pandemic had a decimating effect on the parish finances and activities.

The positive aspects that contributed to our outcome was the generous Diocesan and Government Grants, the latter being due to the Covid lockdowns.

The Total Income for 2020 of \$335,487 would not have been possible without the generosity of parishioners stewardship contribution and the parish contribution of the school parents who were able to fund the parish during this difficult year

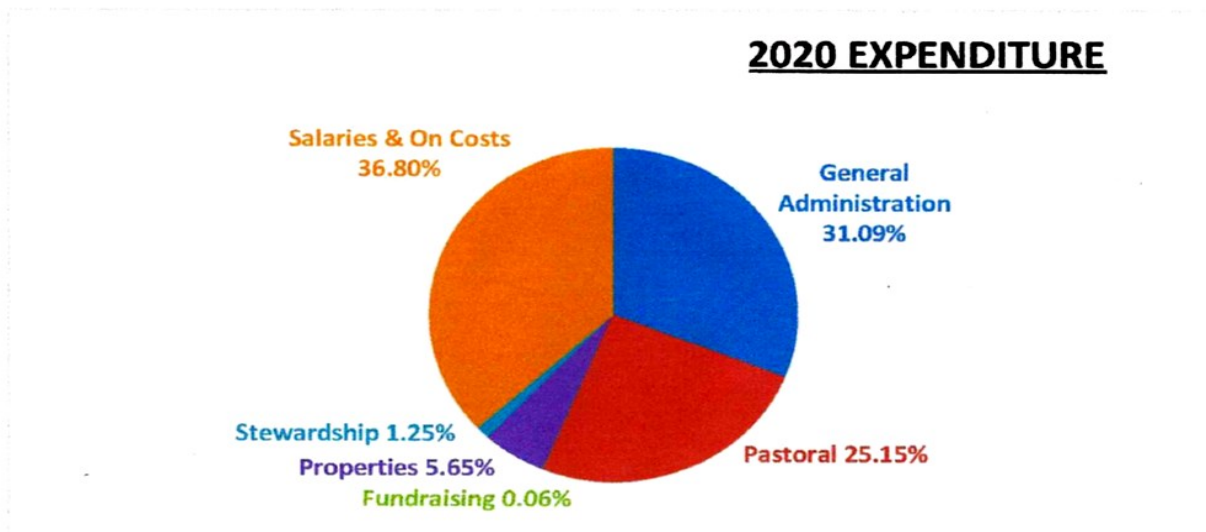
Income percentage by the various sectors is shown in the chart below.



The Total Expenditure for 2020 was \$285,239 was monitored closely during this Covid Pandemic year whilst still allowing the Parish to function for the welfare of our parishioners.

Administration expenditure includes Utilities, Insurances and General Expenditure.

Expenditure percentage of the various sectors is shown in the chart below.



The Annual Financial Statement is prepared on an accrual basis.