



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 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

26th Sunday Ordinary Time.

25 September 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]

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We pray for those who have died recently:

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Muscat, Bill Stanford

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

Entrance Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

First Reading: Amos 6:1. 4-7

Responsorial Psalm:

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading:

St Paul to Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Next Week: 27th Sun Ord Time. Year C.

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

Second: St Paul to Tim 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

GOSPEL REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

The parable of an unnamed rich man and a poor man named Lazarus challenges our globalised world where actions in one country can so directly affect another. Pointedly, the rich man remains as anonymous as he is uncaring. He is a consumer of fine things. He does not seek to harm Lazarus as such; rather, the rich man simply fails to see the other person. Even in Jesus' time the story opened a social focus on the rich few and the unimportant rest. The world ignores them, but God will not.

Lazarus' very name means one God has helped. In later times, the name's significance endured and framed part of what would now be termed social welfare. 'Lazaretti' and 'lazar houses' were medieval European terms for leper foundations. In these were diseased people, usually very poor, living apart from the wider community. They were often sited beyond the city gate.

Now we know of communities in need far beyond our city limits. Many people labour in sweatshops making clothing for rich countries, have their forests destroyed for foreign cups of coffee, and watch the waters lap higher on their islands for the sake of foreign consumer habits. The question is: Do we see them and act?



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 or Liz Blake at 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 would like to invite you to join them on a church tour either SATURDAY 1 October or SUNDAY 2 October. If you would like to come along on either of these dates please contact the Parish office on 0448 101 401 or merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au by WEDNESDAY 28 September with your contact details and preferred date in order for us to arrange transportation.



TRADING TABLE and Morning Tea St Mary's Whittlesea
NEXT SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER 2022 - Join us on

the first Sunday of the month, after 10am Mass. Come along and pick up a bargain while you enjoy a cuppa. Everyone welcome.



Dear Father Hien, Fr Peter, Fr Simeon and to all Christ the Light Parishioners; Bless you all and thank you for all your prayers for our healing. John is now free from dialysis after his recovery from Covid pneumonia which caused his kidneys to shut down. Nothing short of a miracle.

Your intercessional prayers for us have been truly felt and continue to bring us great strength to continue our healing journey.

Vivien is still undergoing intermittent chemotherapy and finds deep strength in her faith and the many prayers and masses offered up for her and John.

We believe that Faith makes a difference in the way you go forward in challenging times. Intercessional prayers from so many loving people, has strengthened our faith even more. Healing comes in many forms. Even though illness may or may not improve, healing of the spirit strengthens and lifts up ones being. Life is fuller than ever with much to be thankful for. Every day is a blessing that we try hard not to take for granted and Prayer and Eucharist are our true remedy.

May our Heavenly Father bless you all with many graces as you show Mercy and Love to others through your prayers.

With appreciation and love, John & Vivien Sguerzi.

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



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.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2022 - Pope Francis has chosen "Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees," as the theme for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022. Further information can be found online at www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

DATE	MASS	WELCOMER	READER	EUCARIST	LAPTOP
1 Oct	5.30pm	Trish B. Ray R.	Leader: Paul N. Reader: Chris B.	Patrick B	Liz B.
2 Oct	8am	Mick A. Anneston A.	Leader: Cath M. Reader: Katherine A	Carmel A.	Michelle B.
	10am	John F. Maureen C.	Leader: Tracey K. Reader: Xander B.	Angelo I.	Barry K.
	10.30am	Malou L. Anna T.	Leader: Silence M. Reader: Bella T.	George Snr	To be confirmed

NAZARETH CENTRE SET UP. 4:30pm on Saturday 1 October. Ray R, Terry W, Carmel W, Ushmani F

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