

Nazareth Parish Bulletin

CATHOLIC PARISH OF GROVEDALE TORQUAY & ANGLESEA

Nazareth Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Nazareth Parish acknowledges the Wadawurrung people who are the traditional custodians of this land and we pay respect to the Elders past and present and emerging.

FEBRUARY 4, 2024
5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

CHAMBER PHILHARMONIA COLOGNE

Last night in Anglesea the first of the Chamber of Philharmonia Cologne Orchestra performed to around 100 people. This coming Sunday, 4th Feb at 3pm, St Therese Church, Torquay will have their turn in hosting. The doors open an hour prior. All tickets are to be purchased at the door, cash only. Ticket prices are \$45 adults, \$40 senior/concession and \$35 children.



PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

It's that time of year across the parish that the Family Groups get together to plan activities for the year. The groups are a great way to make new friends or connect with others in the parish. Everyone welcome, single, married, young and not so young. Pick up a brochure after mass at the Book Nook or in the foyer where you attend mass. Contact Rosemary Featherston, Parish Coordinator
Call 0400044387 for more information.

BARINGBAH FAMILY PASSIONIST GROUP TORQUAY

Torquay invite any interested parishioners to join our social group for company and friendship. A planning meeting to recap on 2023 and plan social activities for 2024 will be held after mass on Sunday 4th February from 10.30-11.30am in Lisieux place. Please rsvp to Helen & Steve Mulchay- 0402 907 066 or Julie Reddan 0432 364 369.

[The Passionist Family Group Movement – A Family for All \(pfgm.org\)](http://The Passionist Family Group Movement – A Family for All (pfgm.org))

ACACIA PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP GROVEDALE

A planning meeting/afternoon tea is to be held on Sunday 11th February at 80 Rossack Drive Waurin Ponds commencing at 1:30pm. The meeting is open to all members and any interested parishioners wishing to join our group. Social activities are to be planned for this year so new ideas would be most welcome. Afternoon tea will be provided. Any enquiries please contact Jenny Shanahan 0447280067

MANNA GUM PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP TORQUAY

To begin the year Manna Gum will have their first meeting at Lisieux Place on Sunday 11th February at 2pm.

Regular Weekly Mass

Rosary:

Wednesday 9am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday 9.30am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Thursday 9.30am

Nazareth Church, Grovedale

Weekend Mass:

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

St Christopher's Church, Anglesea

Sunday 8.45am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Sunday 10.30am

Nazareth Church, Grovedale

Next Monthly Mass

Sunday 18th February 9am

Iona College, Charlemont

3rd Sunday of each month

Reconciliation:

After Mass during the week or by appointment

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Website: tagparish.com.au

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Email: grovedale@cam.org.au

Rosters available [here](#)

Stewardship *Thank you*

First collection—helps with all the costs related to running our parish—pastoral programs, wages, loan repayments, utilities, liturgy expenses etc.

Second collection—supports our parish priest and retired priests of the Archdiocese.

Tap n Go

Now available in the entrance of each Church, contributions go towards the first collection.

NAZARETH PARISH: GROVEDALE, TORQUAY, ANGLESEA

POSITION VACANT ~ LITURGICAL & SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR – PART TIME

We are currently looking for a Liturgical & Sacramental Coordinator for the Nazareth Parish encompassing Grovedale, Torquay and Anglesea. However the role can be separated.

The position is approximately 10 hours per week and is located at St Therese Catholic Church, Torquay.

For further information, including a Position Description, please email the Parish office, grovedale@cam.org.au.

Applications are to be sent to Fr. Linh Tran at grovedale@cam.org.au and should include a cover letter together with a current resume. Closing date for applications: 26th February 2024

PARISH MASS AT IONA COLLEGE, CHARLEMONT

2024 will see the addition of another Parish Mass but only on the 3rd Sunday of each month. This Mass will be held at 9am at Iona College, 242 Horseshoe bend Road, Charlemont. There is plenty of onsite car parking, follow the directions around to the left to the large carpark. The first Mass will be 18th February and will continue every month on the 3rd Sunday. We hope to see lots of parishioners, families and community members, particularly from the Armstrong Creek area, in attendance.

ORDER OF MALTA LOURDES DAY MASS – SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2024

For some years now, the Order of Malta has organised an annual Lourdes Day Mass to provide an opportunity to pray for the sick and infirm particularly for those who would not otherwise have the possibility of visiting Lourdes.

The Mass will take place again on **Saturday, 10th February at 10.30am at St Patrick's Cathedral**, with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli as the principal celebrant.

Please find [here](#) the poster for the Mass. For further information, please contact: Sauro Antonelli AM on 0411 250 288.

REACH Vietnam - Following is a letter written to us by one of the girls living with the nuns in Kon Tum, along with one of the pictures that came. Please note that the complete set of letters and pictures are on the [parish website](#) and also note that this year's appeal for REACH Vietnam will take place around the middle of this year, and we and the girls will once again pray for your generosity.

Dear Parishioners,

Today on behalf of everyone boarding in Phuong Quy, I'd like to express our sincere gratitude to you. Over the years, you have been supporting and providing with better education. We understand that you would have to endure hard work to earn the money for us so we can have better education, it's your very support that we get to go to school.

On the occasion of Christmas, I wish you a warm, peaceful and happy Christmas, always joyful and jubilant. I wish you always find peace in the God's hands. Wishing you lots of success in your work as well as in life, and hope you will receive lots of lucks in whatever you choose to do, as well as the grace of God, the holy Trinity, and particularly the baby Jesus



Christ.

Once again, we wish you a joyous and happy Christmas with your family. I'd like to also wish you a New Year full of peace, happiness, great health and prosperity.

On behalf of everyone at Phương Quý Signed Y Phú

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Regional Council is seeking a skilled IT person to help record the important information pertaining to the various good works that we are engaged in. There is a template that is being designed to ensure that information is correctly inputted. For further information please call Martin P Butler M 04185 72 967 or mpbutler@bigpond.com

PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

Let us pray that the Spirit help us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

CHAPEL OPEN

Chapel access will be in line with the office hours, 9am to 3pm Tuesday to Friday.

HOME VISITS

Post Covid and we are taking the opportunity to return to normality. If there are any parishioners who are sick or housebound and would like to receive communions and home visits. Please contact the Parish Office 9412 8444

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading **Jb 7:1-4. 6-7**

I am filled with sorrow all day long.

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more
than pressed service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his
wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to
me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be
day?'
Risen I think, 'how slowly evening
comes!'
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days
have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:1-6. R. v.3

*(R.) Praise the Lord who heals the
broken-hearted.*

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving:
to him our praise is due. *(R.)*
2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. *(R.)*
3. Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. *(R.)*

Second Reading **1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23**

Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel

I do not boast of preaching the gospel,
since it is a duty which has been laid on
me; I should be punished if I did not preach
it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might
have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is
a responsibility which has been put into my
hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is
this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the

Good News free, and not insist on the rights
which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I
have made myself the slave of everyone so
as to win as many as I could. For the weak I
made myself weak. I made myself all things
to all men in order to save some at any cost;
and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel,
to have a share in its blessings.

Gospel Acclamation **Mt 8:17**

Alleluia, alleluia!

*He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering
Alleluia!*

Gospel **Mk 1:29-39**

*He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or
another.*

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with
James and John straight to the house of
Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-
in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they
told him about her straightaway. He went to
her, took her by the hand and helped her
up. And the fever left her and she began to
wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to
him all who were sick and those who were
possessed by devils. The whole town came
crowding round the door, and he cured
many who were suffering from diseases
of one kind or another; he also cast out
many devils, but he would not allow them
to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got
up and left the house, and went off to
a lonely place and prayed there. Simon
and his companions set out in search of
him, and when they found him they said,
'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered,
'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring
country towns, so that I can preach there
too, because that is why I came.' And he
went all through Galilee, preaching in their
synagogues and casting out devils.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The mother-in-law of Simon (Peter)
was sick in bed with a raging fever.
When Jesus learned about her
distressed state, he 'took her by
the hand and helped her up'. He
broke the taboo about physical
contact with a woman not his
relative because he wanted to
holistically heal her dis-ease.

Simon's mother-in-law didn't need
an aspirin and a cup of tea. She
felt quarantined, isolated, and
needed a hand reassuring her of
sociable relationships. Jesus
overcame her fever and her dis-
ease with the word.

At every Mass we exchange a
physical gesture at the greeting of
Peace. This quite often overcomes
being ill-at-ease with a family
member or just with the neighbour
in the pew. We need to take that
symbolic action into the world. For
somebody, it may be the most
touching thing we ever do.

We could pause for a moment to
identify that person who needs us
to reach out, to take their hand
and help them up.

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PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Recent deaths:

Anniversaries who are at this time:

PRAYING FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Our thoughts are with those who are unwell at this time.

Please submit a consent form to have a loved one prayed for.



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If you have an urgent pastoral need, you are able to contact Fr Linh at the Presbytery on 9412 8443

Our Parish Schools:

Nazareth Catholic Primary School

Griffith Street, Grovedale 3216

Principal: Ruben Johnson Phone: 5243 0502

St Therese Catholic Primary School

Grossmans Rd, Torquay 3228

Principal: Josh McElgunn Phone: 5261 4246

Lisieux Catholic Primary School

South Beach Rd, Torquay 3228

Principal: Susan Ryan Phone: 9089 6614

St Catherine of Siena Catholic Primary School

125 Warralily Boulevard, Armstrong Creek 3217.

Principal: Donna Bryce Phone: 5264 5934

IONA College

242 Horseshoe Bend Rd, Charlemont 3217

Principal: Damian McKew Phone: 5229 0009

Home Visits / Communion at Home

Anglesea: Liz Clark 5263 1812

Grovedale: Jill Healy 5241 4070

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Bulletin Notices

Please have them to the Office by Wednesday evenings.

Email: grovedale@cam.org.au

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Office Hours

Our hours are:- **Tuesday - Friday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.**

Outside of these hours, please leave a message and one of the staff will contact you when they are next in the office.

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