

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.

APRIL 21, 2024
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Regular Weekly Mass



GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

This Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During the week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

A Vocation View

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, pray for yourself. Pray to know if God is calling YOU to be a Priest, Sister or Brother. Pray!

A prayer request

You might know of a young person in the parish, in your family or an acquaintance whom you think would make a good priest or religious. Why not pray for them by name on a regular basis? Carry them with you 'spiritually' to Mass on Sunday and place them on the alter at the offertory. Sometimes the Lord uses us as his instruments to encourage vocations.

Pledge to Pray

The Vocations Office in Melbourne has partnered with some others in a project, 'Pledge to Pray' - an on-line platform for individuals to pledge prayers for vocations. It is based upon the idea of the 'Invisible Monastery'. I invite you to 'pledge a prayer' for vocations at www.pledgetoprayer.com.au this is a site dedicated to encouraging prayer for vocations in Australia.

POPE FRANCIS AHEAD OF WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY: 'BE UNITED TO JESUS'

On 25th May 2024, the Church around the World will mark its first ever World Children's Day. In the lead up, Pope Francis has shared a message for children everywhere, telling them they are 'precious in God's eyes'. To continue reading [click here](#).

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC MAGAZINE

Australian Catholics magazine Autumn edition is available in each Church foyer, please feel free to take one home for a read.

SCAM TEXTS & EMAILS

As always please be vigilant when receiving any suspicious looking text or email. If something doesn't look quite right please do not open it.

ANZAC DAY

This coming Thursday is ANZAC day, the parish office will be closed for this day.

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 21st April 9am

Iona College, Charlemont

3rd Sunday of each month

Reconciliation:

After Mass during the week or by appointment

Find us online

Website: tagparish.com.au

Facebook: [/nazarethcatholicparish](https://www.facebook.com/nazarethcatholicparish)

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.

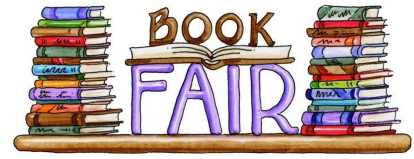
PARISH WEBSITE

We are about to launch a fresh new look to the parish website. Over the next week when it becomes live we do ask if you notice anything to be out of place to let us know as we may not get it right at first. The website will remain the same tagparish.com.au

ST BERNARD'S CHURCH ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

Sun 5th May @ Clairvaux School Hall, Reynolds Rd. Belmont 8am to 2pm

Come along & browse through a huge selection of *second-hand books - fiction, non-fiction & children's* - all at **bargain prices**. Jigsaw puzzles, board games, DVDs & CDs & Scrumptious Scone Stall. *Something for everyone.*



CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Engaging Your Faith online seminar series.

Nine stand-alone sessions on a range of themes will be presented by members of our lecturing staff.

- These sessions would be an ideal opportunity for lay leaders and other interested people in your parish to explore the possibilities offered at CTC for personal, theological, and spiritual development.
- Cost: \$25 per session: General audience.

For more details, please see the attached flyer and bulletin notice, or [click here](#) to go to our website.

Austin Cooper Symposium

Catholic Theological College invites you to a hybrid symposium in honour of the Rev Professor Austin Cooper OMI AM (1931 – 2023) founding Master of CTC, historian, formator, and ecumenical friend. The symposium will feature speakers exploring Fr Austin's various contributions to Christian scholarship and formation, and as spiritual friend to so many.

- Cost: \$60 (lunch included) or \$30 (online attendance)

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NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE?

Disposal of a car from a deceased estate, or when a family member has had to relinquish their licence or go into residential care, can be a challenging process. Getting a roadworthy, taking photos to advertise on the internet, cleaning and polishing, taking calls (if they come), even finding a garage until a prospective buyer turns up (if indeed they do!).

If you need to dispose of a vehicle from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, could you consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status, which for ten years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors across Australia of church-related sexual abuse. Many of these suffer Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and have had limited or no employment., A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life and / or generate much-needed funds to assist personal, medical and accommodation needs.

If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", contact Fr. Kevin Dillon (frkdillon@outlook.com.au or 0421 777 360) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605 or adam-kaali@hotmail.com).

TAP N GO

Each of our 3 Churches has a permanent Tap n Go terminal set up in the foyer of the Church. These have helped increase the financial support for our Parish. They are easy to use and provide an alternative method when one doesn't carry cash or contribute already.



PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

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