

# 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.*

MAY 19, 2024

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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As a Christian community, we today celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, which concludes the liturgical season of Easter. Pentecost comes from the Greek word—'fifty' - since it occurs fifty days after Passover. It's a long-standing Jewish feast of the harvest that been celebrated since the Old Testament. Today's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles describes Pentecost as a 1st century event where the apostles' heads were hovered over by tongues of fire. At this event, a windstorm swirled through a locked room in Jerusalem, igniting the ancient yet new fire of God's Spirit, whose presence is newness and rejuvenation of all creation. This 1st century Pentecost was the moment the Church began, and so on this Pentecost Sunday, there is the opportunity to pray for new ways of 'being' Church or stepping out of the old and considering the untapped possibilities that can present themselves; of being open to the movement of the Spirit in ways that might surprise us, make us uncomfortable, make us question our own abilities. But we know amongst all of that the holy Spirit will be a constant source of wisdom, strength and courage.



### PARISH MASS AT IONA COLLEGE

This Sunday we have Mass at Iona College at 9am. We welcome everyone to attend. This Mass is largely coordinated with the help of Nnamdi Elege. If you are able to offer any support in the normal Sunday Mass roles please reach out to Nnamdi. Following the Mass we do provide a small opportunity for those who have come together. If you are able to help by donating a packet of biscuits or bottle of juice or similar we welcome your kind generosity.

### VOLUNTEERS

This coming week is National Volunteer Week! Let's acknowledge all our volunteers. Next Sunday – 26 May - if you have a shirt, jacket, badge, brooch or pin representing an organisation you volunteer with (or have in

the past) – we encourage you to wear it proudly. It will be a great conversation starter over tea or coffee. It also provides an opportunity for us all to give thanks to all our wonderful volunteers within our parish community.

National 20-26 MAY 2024  
**Volunteer**  
Something for Everyone Week

### 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 19th May 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](http://tagparish.com.au)

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

Email: [grovedale@cam.org.au](mailto: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.

## ACACIA FAMILY GROUP GROVEDALE

We will now have two afternoon sessions on Monday 27 May and Tuesday 28 May at 1pm each day here at 15 RIMBOOL RD., GROVEDALE A simple Afternoon Tea will be provided ( you don't need to bring anything). The film, Alfred Hitchcock's "NORTH BY NORTH WEST" starring Cary Grant, Eva Marie Saint and James Dean. Please reply with your preferred date (27 or 28 May) or say either date if that is appropriate. We will let you know your allocated date. RSVP to us on [healyjill@hotmail.com](mailto:healyjill@hotmail.com)

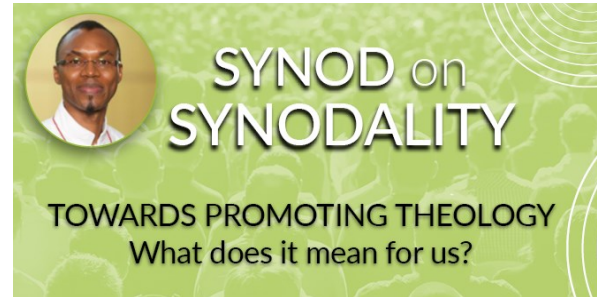
## GARRATT PUBLISHING PRESENT

In his Apostolic Letter of November 2023, *Towards Promoting Theology (Ad Theologiam Promovendam)*, Pope Francis calls for a 'paradigm shift' in theology for the world of today. Theology is 'to start from the different contexts and concrete situations in which peoples are inserted', allowing themselves 'to be seriously challenged by reality', to discern the 'signs of the times' in the light of the gospel. [Click here to view the Vatican News article regarding the letter.](#)

### **What does this mean for lay Catholics, parish clergy and theologians?**

Agbonkhianmeghe Orobator, SJ, a Nigerian theologian and Dean of the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University, will discuss this question and its implications for the sense of faith of the faithful. Andrea Dean, Chair of WATAC (Women and the Australian Church), will be our *Moderator*, drawing out Agbonkhianmeghe on relevant points and fielding questions from participants in a Q&A session. The *Respondent* is to be confirmed.

We hope you can join us, Monday 27th May 3.30pm by registering [here](#) for a free online webinar.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED GROVEDALE CHURCH

Each Church, and subsequently the Parish, can not run with out its valued volunteers. If you are willing to help with a task but never known how to go about it, now is the time to put your hand up. Nazareth, Grovedale is in urgent need of extra volunteers in the following areas, please if you can help see the listed member so they can grab your name. To get involved you will be required to have a current Working With Children Check that has been linked with to Nazareth Parish.

Children's Liturgy	- Jill Healy
Baptism welcomers/helpers	- Jenny Shanahan
Altar Society	- Jenny Shanahan
Special Ministers of the Eucharist	- John Shanahan
Collectors	- Dick Tjahjadi
Gift Bearers	- Bob Healy



## FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG - INVITATION

A Christian community for people with **Disability**, their carers, families and friends. You are welcome to come to our next monthly meeting on Saturday 18th May. We have a Sharing news time, Gospel reflection with songs and prayers , and a Fiesta afternoon tea. It is the **5th Anniversary** for this group. The theme will be:

"The gifts of Pentecost". Time: 2pm to 4.30pm.

Venue: St Mary's Parish, Pioneer Room, Level 1 (by lift) @ 150 Yarra Street. Enter carpark by Lt Myers Street.

The Room will be open from 1.00 for preparation.

RSVP by Thursday May 16th. If you would like to know more, please contact the joint coordinator: Tricia O'Keeffe on 0414 672 267. Faith and Light Is a worldwide organisation, which began in Lourdes, in 1971. [www.faithandlight.org](http://www.faithandlight.org)

### PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS FOR THE FORMATION OF MEN AND WOMEN RELIGIOUS, AND SEMINARIANS

Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

### CHAPEL OPEN

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

### HOME VISITS

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

**First Reading Acts 2:1-11**

*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages*

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit  
and renew the face of the earth. or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!  
Lord God, how great you are,  
How many are your works, O Lord!  
The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
2. You take back your spirit, they die,  
returning to the dust from which they came.  
You send forth your spirit, they are created;  
and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!

May the Lord rejoice in his works!  
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

**Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13**

*He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.*

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel John 20:19-23**

*As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.*

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,  
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.  
For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven;  
for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.'



**REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate  
Divine Energy and being Catholic**

The term 'Holy Ghost' is an unfortunate rendering of 'Holy Gust', the divine wind, the breath of God, the Holy Spirit which can come into the lives of individuals and communities, sometimes as the merest whisper of a breeze, sometimes at gale force.

This is what happened at Pentecost. St Luke, writing the Acts of the Apostles, grasps for imagery to portray the force of the Holy Spirit's descending on Mary and Peter and other disciples. This divine flaming Gust cleared away the undergrowth of timidity and anxiety imprisoning those disciples in the upper room. Then they became like seed pods germinating in the ashes, allowing a new community to take root, a community where barriers of language, ethnicity and race were overcome.

The primary task of St Peter, then as now, is to present the Resurrection in a way understandable by people of every language group around the world. Everything else his successor does is secondary to his preaching 'the marvels of God'. Pope Francis is doing this by word and deed.

We could take a moment to pray for forgiveness for the wind breaks which we, individually and as a parish or larger church community, erect to shield us from the Holy Spirit gusting into our lives. Let us ask for the courage to allow ourselves to be a windswept people ignited by Divine Love.

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**PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

**Recent deaths:** *Keith Steel*

**Anniversaries who are at this time:** *Elza Bailey, Luxurio Salapa*

**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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Tracy Ford	Paul Daffey
Paul Egan	Rosemary Featherston
Fr Linh Tran	

### Nazareth Safeguarding Committee

Marg Mahoney	—Chair person
Rosa Rebula	—Grovedale
Rosemary Malone	—Torquay
Fran Findlay	—Anglesea

### Parish Office

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### Parish Presbytery

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Ph: 9412 8443

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: Reuben 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](mailto:grovedale@cam.org.au)

Postal: 43a Surfcoast Highway, Torquay Vic 3228

### Office Hours

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

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