

Nazareth Parish

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.

JUNE 30, 2024

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Regular Weekly Mass

SEEKING A NEW NAME FOR OUR PARISH WITH NEW CLOSING DATE—FRIDAY 12TH JULY 2024

As you are aware, all parishioners are invited to take part in this very important process. The ideal is that a name reflecting our Parish as a whole is submitted to the Parish Office for consideration.

Having consulted with the Archdiocese, the Leadership Team have devised the following general guidelines:

1. Process to be in accordance with Diocesan guidelines.
2. Process to be conducted and implemented by NPLT.
3. Renaming is only for the Parish. Each community Church maintains its name: Nazareth (Grovedale). St. Christopher's (Anglesea). St. Therese (Torquay). These existing names remain as the identity of each community but are not options for the Parish name.
4. Proposed name reflects the Parish as a whole (our four communities: Grovedale, Torquay, Anglesea, and Armstrong Creek.)
5. Ideally the name is of a particular Saint, or a location or event of religious significance from the New Testament. Please note the name - Holy Trinity Parish is not supported.
6. Suggestions for a new name must be accompanied by a brief background/rationale which explains how the proposal is representative of the whole Parish. (Rationale to be approximately 100 words). The proposal must include the proposer's name and phone number.

The Leadership Team will then short list the names. Following this the final options and rationale for each will be presented back to the Parish. Voting will then take place to identify the Parish choice. The Parish choice will then be forwarded to the Archbishop for his approval.



LEAVING FOR THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

A period of preparation for the Camino de Santiago has come to an end!

Fr. Linh will be leaving for the Camino early next week, returning mid-August.

Known as the Way of Saint James, the Camino de Santiago is a pilgrimage walk that traces the path taken by the apostle James to the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia. The typical symbol

of a scallop shell (pictured), will be a wayfinding tool for him and other pilgrims as they walk toward the Cathedral Santiago de Compostela. We wish him a safe journey. May each step he takes be met by the beauty of the landscape, the hospitality of people and be an inner journey of prayer and reflection.

Buen Camino Fr. Linh!

Rosary:

Wednesday 9am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Liturgy of the Word with Communion

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 July 9am

Iona College, Charlemont

3rd Sunday of each month

Reconciliation:

After Mass during the week or by appointment

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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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION

During Fr. Linh's absence, Liturgy of the Word with Communion will take place most Wednesdays and Thursdays. On occasion there may be Mass. Please check the bulletin each week for what is happening.



FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATION

Joining us at the Table of the Lord at St Therese Church this weekend is the last group of our First Eucharist children, most of whom are from the local non-Catholic schools. These children have come together every Tuesday after school over the last six weeks for their preparations. We are grateful for our catechists, Fran Findlay and Louise Hill, who have been guiding them together with their parents and families.

WELCOME BACK TRACY

Our Parish Secretary, Tracy Ford, has been away on leave and will return to the office next Wednesday. We hope she had a wonderful time and comes back refreshed. We thank Maree Smart for stepping in.



FAREWELL TO FATHER LINH

Fr. Linh's last weekend as our Parish Priest is on Sunday 22nd September, 2024. To acknowledge his 14 years with us, a Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated for the whole parish at 10.30am on that day at St Therese Church Torquay. The Leadership Team are calling for volunteers to form a sub committee to help with organizing the event. Please contact the Parish Office on 94128444 if you are able to help in any way: on the committee, during preparations or on the day itself. There will be a variety of tasks to be done so as much help is needed.

REACH Vietnam APPEAL 2024

September this year will mark 12 successful years of the Nazareth Parish involvement in the REACH Vietnam Project, and the last year of Fr Linh being our Parish Priest. The REACH Vietnam story began in 2012 when Fr Linh and the then St Therese School Principal were drawn to Kon Tum, Vietnam, where they met a small group of the Divine Provident Nuns who dedicated their lives to care for girls from poverty-stricken families of the ethnic minority. The nuns' invitation was to shoulder with them in their work of extending high school education to these girls where this would not be possible otherwise. This was embraced by Nazareth Parish, plus intermittent external funders, to the point where our support continues to the present. Exact numbers of girls that have benefited is not exactly known, but it is in the hundreds. Some have extended their time at school, but a surprising number have completed Year 12 and quite a few of these have gone on to undertake tertiary education.

We, as individuals and a parish, have also gained significantly in our understanding of the lives of ethnic minority people in Vietnam. A number of us have been blessed with being able to visit and meet the nuns and girls there. In the course of this time Sr Phuong has moved on and the project was continued under Sr Simone, followed by the current leader, Sr Nhung. In a similar way, change is now under way for us, with Fr Linh moving to a new parish in September. So, what happens now with REACH Vietnam, as the project was named? REACH Vietnam is one of our success stories and we would love to see this project continue.

The appeal for 2024 will be held at Masses on 4th and 11th August.

A HUGE THANK YOU FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul Conferences from Grovedale and Torquay would like to thank all those who donated either cash, goods and food to the recent Winter Appeal that was held at the three Parish Churches recently. The total cash, credit cards and online donations is \$3,064. A wonderful result—thank you!

PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS FOR THOSE FLEEING THEIR OWN COUNTRIES

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.

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 Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world,
as those who are his partners will discover.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)
3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing, O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13-15

Your abundance should supply their want.
You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 5:21-43

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kumi!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was

twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In the gospel, Jesus reaches deep into the world beyond life and rescues a young girl from the jaws of death. Earlier, he was jostled by the crowd and felt healing power leave him in order to restore an afflicted woman. Repeating the words of last week's gospel: Who is this man? Is this someone with whom we want to become involved? On the other hand, can we afford not to get involved with him? This is a man who can lead us to life even in the midst of death. He is someone who is interested in the well-being of everyone, even those who may not be highly valued by society – women and children, the chronically ill, those who carry the seeds of death within them.

God's graciousness toward us should prompt us to be generous toward others. What we receive as life-enhancing gifts, we must share with those in need, those to whom life has not been kind. As we have been favoured by the healing touch of God, so we must extend that same loving touch to others. The love of Christ impels us to be openhanded as we approach those in need. Following Jesus' lead, we must not only give to them, we must also allow them to take from us. At times this will require that we share material resources; at other times it might mean that our energy will be drained in our service of them. In all of this, Jesus has set the example for us to follow.

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PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Recent deaths: *Giorgina Rebulaaa*
Anniversaries who are at this time: *Helena Kardel*

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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St Therese Catholic Primary School

Grossmans Rd, Torquay 3228
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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.
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Iona College

242 Horseshoe Bend Rd, Charlemont 3217
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