

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.

OCTOBER 13, 2024

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Regular Weekly Mass

RE NAMING OUR PARISH

There are only a few days left to select your preferred name in the renaming of our parish, **closing this Monday 14th October**. This can be done 1 of 2 ways, by clicking the link below which takes you to the online preference form or by filling in a hard copy of the proposed names form which can be found in the foyer of the Church. Please take the time to read through the 5 proposed suggestions and the rationale for each before casting your preference.

[CLICK TO RENAME THE PARISH](#)

SVDP VOLUNTEER NEEDED

St. Vincent de Paul is seeking a volunteer to manage their Food Pantry located at 141 Fyans St, Geelong. This pantry distributes food to various SVDP Conferences. The current incumbent will be retiring at Christmas 2024 after several years in the role but is willing to provide training before the Christmas period. The role includes responsibilities such as ordering, receiving, stacking, and packing food parcels, and requires availability of 2-3 partial days each week. If you're interested in this opportunity, please reach out to Martin Butler at 0418572967, Brian O'Kane at 5261 5200, or your local SVDP member.

SAFEGUARDING TEAM MEMBER

At Nazareth Parish, we have a dedicated group of volunteers who make up our Safeguarding team. This team is responsible for ensuring the safety and well-being of all members of our community. We currently need a representative from Torquay community. If you would be interested in joining us and contributing to this important work, please get in touch.

FLOWER ROSTER

Do you have a talent for creating beautiful flower arrangements? We are looking for volunteers to help with the floral displays at St. Therese Church. In the past, we maintained a roster, but due to various circumstances, some people are no longer available. We would like to relaunch the monthly flower arrangement schedule. If you are interested in helping out, please reach out to Chris Carty or the Parish Office so we can set up a roster for the remainder of this year and into 2025.



Rosary:

Wednesday 9am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Wednesday 9.30am

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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 20th October 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.

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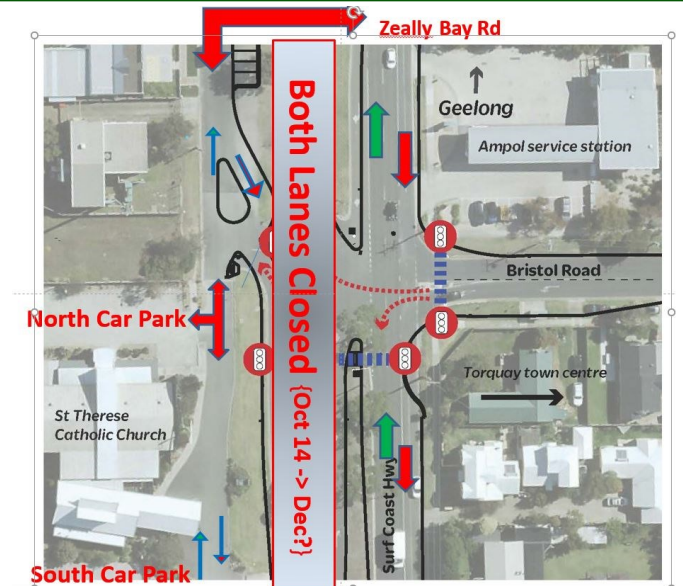
Now available in the entrance of each Church, contributions go towards the first collection.

ROADWORK AT TORQUAY AND AT IONA FOR NEXT WEEK

We have been notified that the Surf Coast Highway section outside St Therese Church in Torquay is moving to the next stage, which involves closing the northbound lanes for several weeks. All traffic will be redirected to the opposite side of the road, access to both Church car parks will only be via Zealy Bay Road/Service Road. Please ensure that the driveway in front of the Church remains clear at all times. You may drop off and pick up in the turnaround area, but parking in the driveway is not permitted. We need to keep this area clear for two-way traffic and for any potential emergency service access.

Charlemont/Armstrong Creek also has its own traffic woes, with **Parish Mass at Iona next Sunday 20th**

October, parishioners are advised that the Boundary Road intersection remains closed in all directions. The best way to access Iona College car park is from Reserve Rd, and up Horseshoebend Rd or if coming from Warralilly/Armstrong Creek side, turn at Precinct Rd from Barwon Heads rd and again head up Horseshoebend Rd.

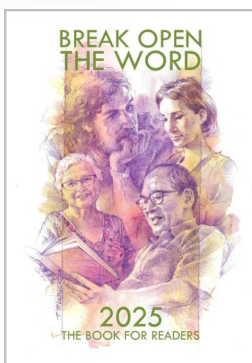


ST THERESE FEAST DAY MASS AT SCHOOL

Nazareth Parish parishioners have been invited to attend the St Therese Feast Day Mass at St Therese primary school in Grossman Rd, Torquay next Friday 18th October at 9.30am in the school hall. All are welcome.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Our annual combined Catholic Churches raffle is concluding shortly, with the final ticket sales taking place during the Melbourne Cup weekend on November 3rd. If you have a book of tickets at home that has been sold, please return it to your ticket seller or drop it off at the parish office.



BREAK OPEN THE WORD

The 2025 Break Open the Word book is now available for purchase through the office for \$25 each.

THE COMBINED CATHOLIC CHURCHES

2024 RAFFLE

\$2 TICKETS

PRIZES

- 1st prize - Kia Picanto car valued at \$21,690
- 2nd prize - Coles Myer gift voucher \$5000
- 3rd prize - Coles Myer gift voucher \$3000
- 4th & 5th prize - Coles Myer gift voucher \$1000
- 6th & 7th prize - Coles Myer gift voucher \$500

Raffle drawn 7th Dec 2024

VICTORIAN COMMISSION FOR GAMBLING REGULATION PERMIT NO - 10159/24

PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCS FOR A SHARED MISSION

Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of coresponsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

CHAPEL OPEN

Chapel access at St Therese Church is inline with the office hours. To gain access please come to the parish office door.
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 7:7-11

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.

I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life

that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**

2. In the morning, fill us with your love;

we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. **(R.)**

3. Show forth your work to your servants;

let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 10:17-30

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'



**REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate
The Loving Gaze**

The man in this story is described (at the end) as a man of great wealth, so that when Jesus says 'There is one thing you lack', it would have got his attention. But he learnt to his shock that what he lacked was the big-heartedness which would enable him to give up the security and status and power which came with his possessions.

Jesus was not satisfied with the wealthy man's minimalist agenda of keeping the commandments. He is just as dissatisfied with us. We each know what is holding us back from being a wholehearted follower of Jesus Christ. At some stage in our lives, we have known, or know now, or will know, what it is we are hanging onto: the one thing we cannot, will not, give up, the one thing that is so much part of our personality we cannot imagine what it would be like to get rid of it.

There is only one thing that can give you, give me, the courage and trust that is needed. In this Gospel story, and the only time in Mark, it says: 'Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him.' This is not the glare of the critical eye but similar to the gaze of a parent on a newborn child, envisaging and encouraging a beautiful future for that child.

We could take a moment to pray, 'Lord, I know there is something I must give up to enable me to follow you more nearly. Give me the courage which can only come from knowing that you gaze steadily at me and love me.'

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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 Michael Douglas

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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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.

Acting Principal: Allison Wedding 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

Torquay: Annie Byrne-Phillips 0409 516 907

Bulletin Notices

Please have them to the Office by Wednesday evenings.

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Postal: 43a Surfcoast Highway, Torquay Vic 3228

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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