

Nazareth Parish

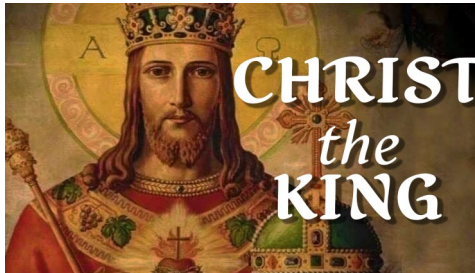
CATHOLIC PARISH OF GROVEDALE TORQUAY & ANGLESEA

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.

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN

This year we are streamlining our approach to fundraising in parishes across the Archdiocese. The Archbishop encourages you to think about what the future of a vital and vibrant faith community means for you and your family, and to consider making a personal and recurring monthly gift to support the vital ministries that serve all in our Archdiocese. Please collect a brochure and envelope to learn more about the campaign. A special collection will be taken up this weekend. You can find a link to the [brochure](#) here.

REMEMBRANCE BOOKS

During the month of November we think and pray for our loved ones who have died. This has been a beautiful tradition in our parish. These books of remembrance are available in each Church for the month of November, please write your loved ones names in the book so that we can remember those who have passed.

NAZARETH PARISH—MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

This is an invitation to all parishioners. On Wednesday 27th November, following the morning Mass at St Therese Church, Torquay, our parish ministers for the sick and elderly will meet for their annual combined meeting. It is a time to reflect on the year and welcome in any new volunteers. Morning tea will be held in Lisieux Place. Contact Annie Byrne-Phillips 0409 516 907 (Torquay), Jill Healy 0427 414 070 (Grovedale) or Liz Clark 0404 045 344 (Anglesea)

NEW PARISH MASS TIMES

Starting next Sunday, 1st December, the parish will begin a new Parish Mass schedule, which includes the addition of a Sunday evening Mass. The new weekend Mass times will be as follows:

- Saturday 6pm at St Christopher's Church, Anglesea
- Sunday 9am at St Therese Church, Torquay
- Sunday 11am at Nazareth Church, Grovedale
- Sunday 5pm at St Therese Church, Torquay.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Rosary Wednesday 9am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Wednesday 9.30am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Thursday 9.30am

Nazareth Church, Grovedale

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Reconciliation:

After Mass during the week or by appointment

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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.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Last Sunday 45 members of the Baringbah and Mannagum Family groups gathered to celebrate Christmas at The Fyansford Hotel. Tables were set, candles were lit and gifts were placed on the giving table. Once grace was said, there was much chatter and laughter as the meals were delivered and drinks ordered. It was a lovely opportunity to relax and enjoy each others company. A big thank you for all the thoughtful gifts and donations of money supporting 'Share the Dignity' campaign. All agreed it was a huge success.

Christmas Blessings to you all.

Rosemary Featherston

Passionist Family Group Co-Ordinator



NAZARETH SOCIAL JUSTICE

Last week in parallel with the COP29 (annual, global, climate change) meeting in Azerbaijan, Pope Francis directed a letter to people involved in the meeting, but which would seem directed at all of us Catholics. This report was published in La Croix International on 14th November, 2024. It was titled "There is no time for indifference today". The final statement reported the Pope as saying "There is no time for indifference today. We cannot wash our hands of it, with distance, with carelessness, with disinterest. This is the real challenge of our century. Joe Annetts

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The purpose of Children's Liturgy is to celebrate the liturgy of the word that is more appropriate to the level of the children's understanding.

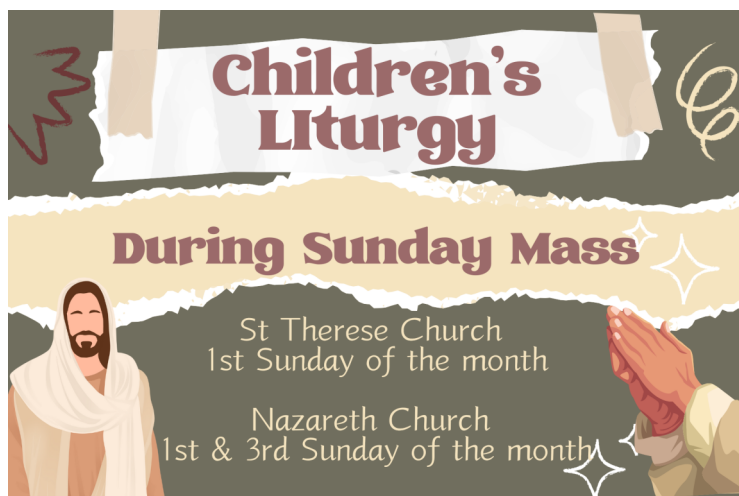
This is inline with the Congregation for Divine Worship for *Directory for Masses with Children*.

The Directory States:

'Sometimes.... It will be appropriate to celebrate the liturgy of the word with the children in a separate space. Then, before the eucharistic liturgy begins, the children are led to the place where the adults have meanwhile celebrated their own liturgy of the word.'

Starting Sunday, December 1st, school-aged children will have the opportunity to participate in Children's Liturgy at St. Therese Church on the first Sunday of each month.

Additionally, Grovedale continues to offer Children's Liturgy on the first and third Sundays of the month. We welcome any volunteers who are interested in assisting with this ministry. If you would like to help, please contact the parish office or reach out directly to one of the leaders at your church.



ROADWORK AT TORQUAY

The roadwork situation in front of St. Therese is evolving daily. It seems that the entrance to the larger carpark has reopened. However, traffic has remained reduced to one lane in both directions for most of the week. Please continue to exercise caution in this area.

PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

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 Daniel 7:13-14

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

- (R.) The Lord is king;
he is robed in majesty.
1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. (R.)
 2. The world you made firm, not to be moved;

your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. (R.)
 3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. (R.)

Second Reading Revelation 1:5-8

The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

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Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of
David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 18:33-37

You say that I am a king.
'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

**REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate
Not from, but for, the World**

What are we to make of the famous reply of Jesus to Pilate: 'My kingdom is not *of this world*'? Left there, it sounds as though Jesus is talking about a realm which is far removed from terrestrial concerns. Perhaps our task as his followers is to meditate into a blissful nothingness, to live other-worldly lives.

It is a poor translation, and it should read: 'My kingdom is not *from* this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would have fought to stop my being handed over.' Of all the ways in which our Lord could have contrasted his realm with all the other ways in which societies are ruled, he chose a contrast about the use of force. Rather, his reign



springs from his Father's will that humanity should live together in a realm of non-violence.

We can easily criticise the blasphemous use of barbaric violence in the supposed service of religion. It is the most extreme opposite of Our Lord's teaching which He embodied in his practice. But, even for us, the challenge is there to restrain too-ready resort to armed violence and to humanely moderate its exercise where it is used to protect the innocent.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the coming of the Kingdom, not as an 'out of this world' experience, but in the words of the Our Father: 'Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done *on earth* as it is in heaven.'

TLC Warralily Gardens would like to have the following residents who have recently passed remembered in our prayers.

- Santo Filice
- Jan Watson
- John Earl
- Ross Clennet
- John Dawson

And to all the residents at TLC Warralily Gardens who have passed away.

PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Recent deaths:

Anniversaries who are at this time:

PRAYING FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY *Maureen Murphy (Kevin Hunt sister)*

Rob Schofield

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

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

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242 Horseshoe Bend Rd, Charlemont 3217

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Home Visits / Communion at Home

Anglesea: Liz Clark 5263 1812

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Bulletin Notices

Please have them to the Office by Wednesday evenings.

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Office Hours

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

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