

Nazareth Parish Bulletin

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A vibrant community, journeying with Jesus.

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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.

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

St Christopher's Church

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

Tuesday 9.30am Mass

St Therese Church

Sunday 9am Mass

Sunday 5pm Mass

Wednesday 9am Rosary

Wednesday 9.30am Mass

Friday 9am Rosary

9.30am Mass

followed by prayers of adoration

Nazareth Church

Sunday 11am Mass

Thursday 9.30am Mass

Reconciliation

30 minutes prior to

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 11am Mass

Sunday 5pm Mass

HOME VISITS

If there are any parishioners who are sick or housebound and would like to receive communion or a home visit please make contact with the parish office: 9412 8444

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



Dear parishioners,

As most of you know, I'm a pretty big golf fan. So I was tuned in closely to The Open Golf Championship last weekend, held at Royal Portrush in Northern Ireland. As hard as it is trying to win against the strongest of fields, battling the conditions in these parts can be tougher still. Heavy wind and driving rain visited the northern Irish coast over the four days making it hard going, even for the best in the world.

It surprised no one that world number one Scottie Scheffler was awarded the 2025 champion golfer and took home the Claret Jug. He strikes the ball as well and as far as anyone. When he starts putting well – as he did this past week - he is virtually unbeatable.

As noteworthy as his performance was, it was his pre-tournament press conference that got just as much attention. Sheffler said that he isn't out there to inspire the next world's best golfer, because as he put it rather bluntly: "What's the point?" He went on to say that the game of golf has given him a lot and he is extremely thankful for what it's provided, but winning major tournaments doesn't come near to fulfilling the "deepest places of his heart". Which sounds like a no-brainer, but some people were quite miffed by his comments and thought he came across as an ungrateful prig.

I'm not surprised at all that he feels almost embarrassed with the fame and fortune he has accrued from hitting a little white ball around an open field. Sheffler is a committed Christian and a devout family man. He states openly and often that he finds his purpose and fulfilment in being faithful to Christ and loving his wife Meredith and one-year-old son Bennett. That's how he'd prefer to inspire the next generation. May God bless his efforts.

Scottie Sheffler has been so dominant of late that people are starting to compare his career to one of the greatest of all time: Tiger Woods. If he does rival Tiger's feats, it would be rather ironic. If nothing else, it would highlight quite clearly that being a man of God and faithful husband and father won't make a pinch of difference to your golf game.

Bless,
Fr Joel.



St Vincent de Paul: Winter Appeal

Thank you to Grovedale parishioners for your generous donations to our Winter Appeal. The sum of \$711 was received. Bob Healy (President)

**Position Vacant: Parish School
Sacramental Coordinator**

Nazareth Parish is seeking a motivated Parish School Sacramental Coordinator to support our pastoral mission. This permanent, part-time role (10 hours/week) involves coordinating sacramental programs for our school-aged children, connecting with our parish schools, and working closely with the Parish Priest and volunteers.

Key qualities:

- Strong commitment to Catholic values
- Sound organizational skills and ability to multitask
- Strong interpersonal skills to build connections between schools and the parish

Requirements:

- Working with Children and Police Checks
 - Annual safeguarding training compliance
- For a full position description or to apply, please email a cover letter and resume to grovedale@cam.org.au. Applications close Fri 15th August.

Nomination for Parish Leadership Team

Nnamdi Elege has resigned from the Leadership Team after moving away. We are seeking a new member, preferably from the northern area of our Parish. If you are interested and meet the criteria, please submit a nomination form to the Parish Office by 10 August. Access the nomination form and Parish Leadership Team Charter through the links below.

[Nomination form](#)

[Leadership Charter](#)

Brian Keane and Greg Carty
Co-chairs, Parish Leadership Team

REACH Vietnam Appeal - 2025 will be held on the weekend of 10th August. In early August we shall send \$18,000 to Sr Nhung ready for the new school year which commences in September. The flyer to be available on that weekend, focuses on the three **Head Nuns** (alongside the other nuns that accompany each) whose great love and wisdom for the boarding girls has, and continues, to provide much life and faith education in addition to their ongoing school education. As always your generous contributions underpin the project. You can contribute using the QR code (select the OUTREACH option) or via BSB: 083 347 Acc: 9470 66440, or give cash to the special collections at the Masses that weekend. Thank You.



St Therese Lending Library is ready to go. The books have started to arrive. If you have books of a religious or contemplative nature that you would like to donate to share with others, please leave in a box in Lisieux Place. They must be clean and in good condition. Children's picture story books of bible stories, lives of saints, Easter and Christmas stories and prayer books and missals would also be most welcome. Enquires to Rosemary 0400 044 387



First Reading:

Genesis 18:20-32

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.

Second Reading:

Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Click the link to be directed to the reading of the day, scroll down or on the right to select a different day



DAILY READINGS

PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Recent deaths:

Anniversaries who are at this time: Giuseppe Saitta, Barry Beasley, Marie McMahon, Lil McMahon, Claire Keane

PRAYING FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Gerard Nairn

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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Parish Presbytery

For any urgent pastoral need outside of office hours please call the presbytery on 03 9412 8443

Office Hours

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

Outside of these hours, please leave a message and one of the staff will contact you when they are next in the office.

Office is Closed on Public Holidays

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Please submit them by Thursday mornings.

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