

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.

JULY 21, 2024

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Regular Weekly Mass

FR LINH FARWELL GIFT

While Fr Linh is away it is the perfect opportunity to take up a collection for a thank you gift for his time here in the parish. The QR code provided here is the [link](#) to our online donation point on our parish website. We have put a reason for payment as 'Fr Linh Gift', please select and make your contribution. Alternatively use the bank details provided below or an envelope provided in each Church. All these options will be available up until the farewell celebration.

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FR LINH INVITATION

An invitation to attend Fr Linh's farewell is available for you to collect on your way in or out of Mass this weekend. You can also find an online version of the [invitation here](#). We require RSVP's by the 18th August so that we can continue planning towards catering. Everyone will be asked to bring a plate but only after we know how many are attending so that we can divide the list of food to contribute across our parish community. This will ensure we don't end up with too many sandwiches and not enough slices!

PARISH RENAMING

The NPLT wish again to thank all parishioners who have submitted suggestions for renaming our Parish. Twenty five suggestions were received. A great deal of thought and reflection has gone into each of these proposals. The subcommittee have met this week to commence the short listing process and will communicate the outcome on completion of this process. Greg Carty ~ Nazareth Parish Leadership Team

PARISH MASS AT IONA

There is a Parish Mass being held at Iona College this Sunday 21st July at 9am with Fr Gerry celebrating the Mass. He will then attend the 10.30am at Nazareth with Fr Bob celebrating the Mass at St Christopher's Saturday and St Therese Sunday morning. Thank you both for helping the parish in Fr Linh's absence.

Rosary:

Wednesday 9am

St Therese Church, Torquay

Wednesday 9.30am with Fr Gerry

St Therese Church, Torquay

Thursday 9.30am - LotW with Communion

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 this

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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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.

GREETINGS FROM SANTO DOMINGO DE LA CALZADA,

As I pen these few words, I am sitting in a beautiful courtyard of what was once a Franciscan Convent. It is here I get my bed for the night. Many old and beautiful buildings like this one have been turned into accommodations for visitors and pilgrims on the way to Santiago de Compostela.

Both my feet and body are now getting used to the Camino rhythm. A 5-5.30am start proves to be the best way to beat the heat of Spanish summer.

One of the highlights for the week has been a detour to Canas, about 5km off the main Camino route. Canas is home to the splendid Cistercian abbey founded in 1170 for the Order of Cistercian nuns that still occupies it today. The monastery chapel is flooded with natural light that pours into it through apparently the original alabaster windows that reaches up to the vaulted roof of this beautiful sandstone building. Its simplicity speaks of grace and elegance, and has the power to reduce pilgrims to silence and draw them into prayer.

Within its walls housed the bodies and now the relics of many saints. The abbey is also known for the visit of saint Francis of Assisi who allegedly stayed here while on his way to Santiago de Compostela.

If there were an unfulfilled moment about the visit then it has to be this: despite a knock on the door to the nuns living quarters, speaking to one of the sisters through a small opening of the wall and showing them my Celerate (a priest card), my wish to join them for the Liturgy of the Hours was not possible. However, I was assured that my request for prayer for all of us would reach the nuns.

The Beatitudes of the Pilgrim

Zabaldika

1. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if you discover that the road opens your eyes to the unseen.*
2. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if what concerns you most is not getting there, but getting there with others.*
3. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, when you contemplate the road and discover it full of names and dawns.*
4. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if your backpack is emptying of things and your heart does not know where to hang so many emotions.*
5. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if you discover that one step back to help another is worth more than a hundred steps forward without looking at your side.*
6. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, when you lack words to express your gratitude for all that surprise you at every turn of the road.*
7. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if you make your way a life and your life a journey, in search of the One who is the 'Way, the Truth and the Life'*
8. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if on the way you meet yourself and give yourself time without haste so as not to neglect your heart.*
9. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, if you discover that the road has much to do with silence; and silence with prayer; and prayer with the encounter with the God of Love who awaits you.*
10. *Blessed are you, pilgrim, for you will discover that the true journey begins when it ends.*

~ Fr Linh



PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS

FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

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 Jeremiah 23:1-6

The remnant of the flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

‘Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

‘See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.’

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22. R. v.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)

2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. (R.)

3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R.)

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading Ephesians 2:13-18

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

Gospel Acclamation John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 6:30-34

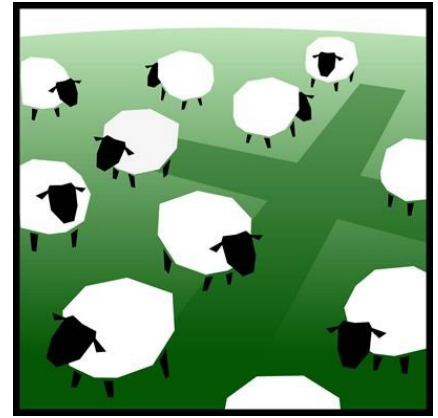
They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, ‘You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while’; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Dividing Walls of Enmity

In the Temple precinct in Jerusalem there was a stone barrier separating the inner area into which only Jewish people could enter. A non-Jew would cross the barrier under pain of death. This is the ‘dividing wall of enmity’ to which St Paul refers, and which has been torn down by Jesus Christ in whom a new humanity is being created where discrimination or segregation is to have no place.

It is to the great shame of the Catholic Church that it collaborated in putting the Jewish people behind dividing walls of enmity in the ghettos of Europe. It is to the great credit of St John Paul II that much of this enmity was overcome, symbolised when he pressed a prayer into a cleft between stones of the Wailing Wall of the Old Temple.

Every week we come to Mass in response to Our Lord’s invitation in today’s gospel: ‘Come away and rest a while.’ Our Lord is saying ‘Come away by yourselves so that I can nourish you with Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink which is my Holy Communion with you.’

Yes, we do that as a moment celebrating our distinctive identity, but always as a prelude to the great task. We are to go out and break down the various ‘dividing walls of enmity’: racism, caste and class, historical grievances, sexist subjugation.

We could take a moment to pray that we imitate St John Paul II in pressing our prayers and actions into whatever opportunities present themselves so as to break down dividing walls of enmity within our families, local communities and even around the world.

PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Recent deaths:

Anniversaries who are at this time: *Cini family*

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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If you have an urgent pastoral need, you are able to contact Fr Linh at the Presbytery on 9412 8443

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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

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125 Warralily Boulevard, Armstrong Creek 3217.

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242 Horseshoe Bend Rd, Charlemont 3217

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Anglesea: Liz Clark 5263 1812

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Please have them to the Office by Wednesday evenings.

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