

Nazareth Parish Bulletin

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, Bingley Pde, Angelsea

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
Tuesday 9.30am Mass

St Therese Church, Surfcoast Hwy, Torquay

Sunday 9am Mass
Sunday 5pm Mass
Wednesday 9am Rosary
9.30am Mass
Friday 9am Rosary
9.30am Mass
followed by prayers of
adoration

Nazareth Church, Griffith St, Grovedale

Sunday 11am Mass
Thursday 9.30am 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

That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Holy Ghost, Holy Gust

In the very old days, the 'Holy Spirit' was known as the 'Holy Ghost'. It may come from the old English word 'gust' which 'blows wherever it pleases'. St Luke's account of Pentecost tells of what 'sounded like a powerful wind from heaven'. This is the Divine Wind, this is the Holy Gust, the Holy Spirit. Out of nowhere, this mighty Gust burst into the disciples' lives with gale force, sweeping away their fear.

The Divine Wind is nothing less than the Breath of God. 'O Breathe on me Breath of God' is one of the most beautiful hymns, sung to a traditional Irish melody. One verse goes: 'O Breathe on me Breath of God . . . until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine'. It is like a log at the back of the fireplace late at night. The log is intact but absolutely glowing through and through with fire. It is to be the same with us.

Peter was inspired to preach to the crowds 'with a loud voice' about 'Jesus the Nazarene' and the fact that 'God raised him to life'. That is the gospel. That is the message which those who breathe with the breath of God have been preaching since the birthday of the Church at Pentecost.

We could pause for a moment to pray an ancient chant of the Church:

'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,
and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they will be created,
and you will renew the face of the earth.'

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Historical Context – Pentecost

The word Pentecost comes from the Greek for fiftieth day. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter and comes as a Sabbath day after seven weeks of seven days. In Jewish tradition the 50th day after the Passover was celebrated as a blessing of the harvest and rather than the unleavened bread of Passover it was celebrated by leavening the bread. It was for this reason that the disciples were gathered together when they experienced the Holy Spirit empowering them. In Christian tradition, Pentecost is celebrated as the arrival of the Spirit, promised by Jesus, that animated the disciples to spread the gospel of Jesus and gather believers to form what would eventually become the Church.

Anglesea Combined Churches Service

On behalf of the Anglesea Association of Christian Churches, the Baptist Church is inviting the Anglicans, Catholic and Uniting congregations to join them at a combined Sunday service on 29th June 2025 at 10.30am. Please come along and share our common faith and belief. Please note it is to be held in the Anglican Church on Camp Rd (opposite the hotel). We look forward to seeing you and everyone is most welcome.

St Vinnies Torquay conference are providing a collection point in the foyer of St Therese Church for any non-perishable food donations. This collection point is maintained by Vinnies to help provide for Torquay Food Aid and Feed Me Surfcoast. Thank you.

Parish Pilgrimage: Footsteps of St. Paul

Join Fr. Joseph and the Parish of Meredith, October 7–18, 2025, on a spiritual journey to sacred sites where St. Paul preached. This unforgettable pilgrimage will take us through sacred sites where St. Paul preached and ministered, deepening our connection to Scripture and faith. A time of reflection, discovery, and renewal. Contact: 03 5286 1230 | Meredith@cam.org.au for details.

Each of our 3 Churches has a permanent Tap n Go terminal set up in the foyer of the Church. These have helped increase the financial support for our Parish. They are easy to use and provide an alternative method when one doesn't carry cash or contribute already.



First Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading:

Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:19-23

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: Terry Jones, Evelyn Howarth

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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Parish Presbytery

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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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