



St Therese
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TORQUAY

Mass Times in Parish

Anglesea: Sat 6.00pm

Torquay: Sun 8.45am &
10.30am

Grovedale: No Mass

Parish Phone

Number: 52646918



Newsletter

March 22 – Term 1, Week 8 2018

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2018

Term 1:

St Therese Twilight Fair:
Fri March 23 5pm-9.30pm

Whole School Assembly:
Tues March 27 @ 2.45pm

Last Day of Term: Thurs
March 29 @ 1.30pm

Term 2:

First Day of Term: Mon
April 16

Anzac Day Assembly: Tues
April 24 @ 11am

Anzac Day Public Holiday:
Wed April 25

School Closure Day:
Fri June 15

An up to date Calendar can be
found on our school website.

Living to Die or Dying to Live?

Holy Week draws closer and *“the Lectionary sets before us readings that focus more strictly upon the death that Jesus is to undergo in Jerusalem and the meaning of that death for the world.”* (Brendan Byrne) In last Sunday’s gospel, some of the Greeks who were in Jerusalem for Passover went to Philip and told him that they would like to see Jesus. When Philip and Andrew tell Jesus of their request, he doesn’t respond. Instead, Jesus begins to prepare his disciples for what lies ahead. ***“The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.”*** (Jn. 12:23)

Jesus tells them that the time has come for him to be glorified. The hour for his death had come. Jesus then uses the metaphor of a grain of wheat that falls into the ground and dies. Unless the seed dies, there is no wheat produced. Unless Jesus dies, there would be no salvation. Fr Michael Tate writes that, *“Jesus is that grain of wheat. He died and was buried in the earth and that death was fruitful for the whole of humankind.”*

Even though he spoke openly of his impending death, Jesus was unsettled, telling his disciples that his soul was ‘disturbed’. ***“Father, save me from this hour? Yet I came to this hour because of this.”*** (Jn. 12:27) Although we know that death is inevitable, not many of us want to talk about it. We don’t want to face the pain and finality of loss and death in whatever form it comes. In our everyday lives we experience many deaths; deaths of relationships, marriages, hopes, dreams, careers or loss. But these are not the end. Resurrection is always hidden in death. Songwriter William Elliott Whitmore wrote in his song “A thousand Deaths”, *“I’ve died a thousand times, I’ll die a thousand more ... We fall down like autumn leaves, we rise up with a gust of wind... Cry not for the bare limbs of trees. Come spring they’ll be full again.”*

School Fair Road Closure - This will effect drop off and pick up Friday March 23:

Illawong drive will be closed from 9.30am on Friday March 23 to allow for set up of the rides for the school fair. Parents will be able to drop off children **Friday morning**, with all cars to be removed from the area **prior to 9.30am**. Pickup **Friday afternoon** will only be from the Grossmans Road area. We appreciate your ongoing support of the school and the Parents and Friends Fair organising committee.

Head Lice:

Please regularly check your children for head lice as we have had several reported cases over all year levels.

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Practise Emergency evacuation:

St Therese engages in various practise evacuations throughout the year to enable students and staff to be prepared for any emergencies that may occur in the school. Our term 1 evacuation practise will be tomorrow morning. The children will be briefed on their requirements as part of the practise evacuation.

Student Absences:

According to new School Attendance Guidelines it is now a requirement that the parent/carer of a child marked absent without notification receive an email from the school during the morning of the absence.

It is important that you contact the school, leaving a message on our absentee line 52 614246 as early as possible on the day your child is away. Children now need to be signed in at the office by an adult **anytime** after the 9am bell.

Supervision of students:

St Therese School offers a service through Camp Australia to provide Before School Care for students to be supervised before classes commence each week day from 7.00am to 8.40am. The School asks that parents consider utilising the Before School Care Program if supervision is required before 8.40am. Please also note that when dropping off students before school, yard supervision is from 8 40 a.m. We appreciate your ongoing support.

Message from Fr Linh:

Dear Parents,

You are no doubt beginning to think and plan for the school holidays coming up. May it be a time of joy in your family and create a time of relaxation for you all. Before then though, Holy Week beckons and the celebration of the passion of Christ, and His death, and His resurrection at Easter call us to gather in prayer as a parish community, so I hope many will make an effort to come to one or more of the Easter ceremonies. (see info below)

At the same time, I urge you all to try to get to the **Parish Meeting on Tuesday April 17, (at 7.30pm in Lisieux Place, St Therese Church, Torquay)** to learn more about the direction we anticipate the parish will move in the coming years. It is your parish and the place your children are being formed in their faith so it is important that you become part of this journey with us.

With every blessing for a wonderful Easter (with maybe just a *little* bit of chocolate!)

Fr Linh.

Special note for Eucharist families, it would be great if you could bring your child to the 'Last Supper Mass' (Holy Thurs)

HOLY WEEK/EASTER 2018:

LENTEN RECONCILIATION - TUESDAY 20 MARCH 7:30 pm – St Therese Church, Torquay

PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY

Saturday 24 March 6:00 pm **Vigil Mass** - St Christopher's Church, Anglesea

Sunday 25 March 8:45 am **Mass** - St Therese Church, Torquay

10:30 am **Mass** - Nazareth Church, Grovedale



THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY - 29 MARCH

7:30 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper** - St Therese Church, Torquay

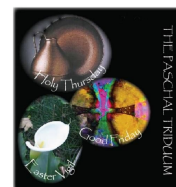
GOOD FRIDAY - 30 MARCH

3:00 pm **Celebration of the Lord's Passion** - St Therese Church, Torquay

HOLY SATURDAY - 31 MARCH

8:00 pm **The Easter Vigil Mass** - St Therese Church, Torquay

NO VIGIL MASS AT ST CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH, ANGLESEA



Please note that there will be Stations of the Cross held at

Nazareth Church, Grovedale at 10:00 am on Friday 30 March.

EASTER SUNDAY - 1 APRIL

8:45 am **Mass** - St Therese Church, Torquay 10:30 am **Mass** - St Christopher's Church, Anglesea

10:30 am **Mass** - Nazareth Church, Grovedale





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WHERE IS OUR PARISH HEADED?

Fr Linh has already been communicating to some of the groups that he has participated in within the last week or two, that the time has come to share the Master Plan for the Parish that the Advisory Team has been working on over the last couple of years. Now he and the Advisory Team are ready to share this work with us, and there are three meetings planned between now and the middle of April (this span of time takes into account Holy Week, the Easter Triduum and the school holidays after Easter) and everyone will have a chance to participate in at least one of these meetings. The first two of these meetings are planned for specific groups within the parish, and the third meeting will be an open meeting for the whole parish.

As this third meeting is immediately school returns from the term holidays we are giving you plenty of advance notice! It would be great to have a large number of school families at this third meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 17, in Lisieux Place at 7.30pm. So please, mark it on your calendars NOW and plan to be there.

Because this Master Plan is something that is expected to have a positive influence for the life of our parish into the future, it is highly desired that as many as possible participate in these meetings. Consequently, Fr Linh invites every family to be represented at the April meeting and hopes to welcome many of our families. Please give it your best shot!

ST THERESE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

TWILIGHT FAIR

FRIDAY 23RD MARCH
5PM-9.30PM

STALLS & RIDES

FOOD VANS

WINE BAR

LIVE MUSIC

\$29 UNLIMITED RIDES
EARLY BIRD TICKETS* trybooking.com/356798

*Must be purchased prior to 16 March 2018. BYO picnic blanket (no glass, no chairs, no BYO alcohol).



Register your free account today

From time to time, plans can change last minute – this can be very stressful on parents. And that's why we encourage all families to register for an account, even if you do not plan on using the program yet.

Registration is as easy as 1, 2, 3 and best of all, it's free!

Why you should register for an account:

1. You can quickly book into the program whenever you need
2. You will have all the information that you need to help ensure that your children have a safe and enjoyable time in the program
3. You will receive a full information pack about the program

If you have any questions on how to register for an account, feel free to drop by our program and ask our friendly team. You can also contact our Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 – available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

From the Team at Camp Australia

Program details

To find out more about the program, view fees and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au

Community News:



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2018 APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

DATES/	Wednesday 4 th April	BULLEEN
VENUES:	Friday 6 th April	WAVERLEY
	Monday 9 th April	WHITTEN OVAL
	Tuesday 10 th April	GEE LONG
	Thursday 12 th April	RICHMOND
	Friday 13 th April	SANDRINGHAM
TIME:	9am – 3pm	
AGES:	7 – 14 year olds	
COST:	\$80 (per participant)	

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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL & CLOSE
48hrs prior to clinic, unless sold out

*Only a limited number of places
available, book now to avoid missing out*



dodgeball

Tuesday 13th, 20th
and 27th March
4:30 – 5:30



indoor soccer

Wednesday 14th, 21st
and 28th March
4:30 – 5:30



beach volleyball

Wednesday 14th, 21st
and 28th March
4:30 – 5:30



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COMING UP AT TORQUAY LIBRARY



CULTURAL DIVERSITY WEEK

DIVERSITY DISCO

Torquay Library is proud to celebrate Cultural Diversity Week with a Diversity Disco. Discover some of the wonderful and varied cultures as we travel around the world through dance and music. Stories and craft to follow.

Ages 3+

Wednesday 21 March
3.30 - 4.30pm

BOOK NOW!

CULTURAL DIVERSITY WEEK

BILINGUAL STORIES: FRENCH

Bonjour! Join us for some French and English stories and songs in this special bilingual story session.

Ages 3+

Friday 23 March
10.30 - 11.30am

BOOK NOW!

NATIONAL PLAYGROUP WEEK

HOW DOES YOUR LIBRARY WORK?

We invite local playgroups to discover all about your local library in this fun and interactive story time session.

All ages.

Wednesday 28 March
1.00 - 2.00pm

CONTACT: 5261 3049



HOLIDAY FUN AT TORQUAY LIBRARY



PAPER FASHIONS

HOLIDAY FUN!

Create colourful costumes with recycled paper materials.

Ages 8+

Wednesday 4 April
10.30 - 11.30am

BOOK NOW!

QUIRKY CREATURES

HOLIDAY FUN!

Learn a new way to create intriguing sculptures, get inventive and make a cute, quirky woollen creature to take home.

Ages 8+

Monday 9 April
2.30 - 3.30pm

BOOK NOW!

MAXINE FLAKEMORE- JUST LIKE BABIES

AUTHOR ENCOUNTER

Come along and meet local author and illustrator Maxine Flakemore, and hear about her new book 'Just like babies'. This lovely picture book for young children is about having fun with how baby magpies and baby humans are similar.

All ages.

Tuesday 10 April
10.30 - 11.30am

BOOK NOW!

THIS IS NOT A BOX!

HOLIDAY FUN!

Join us as we use our imaginations to turn a simple cardboard box into a new and SUPER creation. The possibilities are endless!

Ages 5+

Wednesday 11 April
10.30 - 11.30am

BOOK NOW!

POP STICK PUZZLES

HOLIDAY FUN!

Transform ordinary pop sticks into a special jigsaw puzzle to take home.

Ages 5+

Friday 13 April
10.30 - 11.30am

BOOK NOW!

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TOWARDS ZERO FOOTY FESTIVAL

GOOD FRIDAY

Spring Creek Reserve
Games from Midday with the Senior Game at 4.10pm
Geelong Falcons U16's v Greater Western Victoria Rebels U16's
BFNL Reserves - Torquay v Modewarre
BFNL Seniors - Torquay v Modewarre




EASTER SATURDAY

Festival of Footy at Banyul Warri Fields - 11am-3pm

Football clinics
Jumping Castles
Face Painting
Food Trucks
Plus plenty more



The Mik Moks
(12 noon/1.30pm)



Callan Young
(11am/12.45pm/2.15pm)

EASTER SUNDAY



Peter Jackson VFL
Spring Creek Reserve
2.10pm
Geelong VFL v Werribee VFL





HOOKIN2 HOCKEY

Hookin2Hockey is the introductory program for new participants, giving them a fun and safe environment to develop and learn the fundamentals of hockey.

CENTRE: Torquay Hockey Club

CONTACT NAME: Chris Thompson **CONTACT NUMBER:** 0409 430 874



EMAIL: info@torquayhockeyclub.com.au

LOCATION: Banyul-Warri Fields, Torquay

START DATE: Wednesday, 18th April, 2018 **TIME:** 5.00pm

WEB: hookin2hockey.com.au

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information visit: WWW.HOOKIN2HOCKEY.COM.AU

Courses and Activities

Spring Creek Community House
14 Price Street, Torquay



Bookings/enquiries: 5261 2583

Sewing with Maz

Do you have a sewing machine collecting dust? Would you like to learn how to sew or improve your skills? Look no further! **Now offering kids classes!**

When: Adult Beginners: Mon 6.30-8.30pm from April 16th

Adult Intermediate: Tues 6.30-8.30 April 17th

Kids Beginners: Mon 4pm-5.30pm from April 30th

Kids Intermediate: Wed 4pm-5.30pm from May 2nd

Cost: \$35 per adult class or \$25 per kids class

Contact: Message 'Sewing with Maz' on Facebook or call Maz on 0439867322 for more info or to register

Practical Philosophy Discussion Evenings

The Great masters have left a legacy of wisdom. By tapping into this we can lead much happier lives. Michael has studied and taught this ancient wisdom for 25 years and enjoys sharing it. Join like-minded seekers and learn, discuss, question.

When: Thursdays 7pm-9.30pm starting April 19th

Cost: \$5

Contact: Call Michael Bohuslav 5264 7484

Women's Self Defence Class

When: Saturday 28th April 1pm-4pm

Cost: \$10

Contact: Enquiries: 0421 995 684 or wsst@torquaycommunityhouse.org.au

Computer Skills: Word Beginners

Learn essential computer life skills for home and work with experienced tutor Fred Preston. From beginners to advanced we have lots of courses to get you from A to email! Word Beginners: Learn from scratch how to create and format documents in Microsoft Word.

When: Mondays 6pm-8.30pm 6 weeks starts 30th April

Cost: \$150

Contact: 5261 2583, 9am-3.30pm, Monday-Thursday, for more information

Term 2 CRAFT CLUB for TWEENS+TEENS

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When: Tuesdays 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Where: Spring Creek Community House
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For more information
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Tuesday 3rd April - Friday 6th April

6-12 year olds

9.30am - 11.30am

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