

THANK YOU!



The President and members of St Vincent De Paul Assistance center, would like to sincerely thank all our Parishioners who have given to us so generously throughout the year and especially at Christmas! With the high cost of living your gifts help us to continue providing assistance to so many in our community who are doing it tough.



WORSHIP TIMETABLE



Saturday

Reconciliation Castlemaine **5.15pm**
Vigil Mass: Castlemaine **6.00pm**
Rosary is prayed before Mass

Sunday

Reconciliation: Maldon **8.15am**
Mass: Maldon **8.30am**
Mass: Castlemaine **10.30am**

Tuesday

Mass: Castlemaine **6.00pm**

Wednesday

Mass: Castlemaine **9.15am**
Rosary is prayed after Mass

Thursday

Rosary before Mass
Mass: Maldon **11.00am.**

Friday

Mass: Castlemaine **9.15am**
Followed by Adoration.

Second Sunday of the Month

Mass: Newstead **6.00pm**

Fourth Sunday of the Month

Mass: Sandon **6.00pm**

CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Priest

Rev Wahid Riad PP
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St Mary's

Primary School
Principal: John Doherty
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Parish Secretary

Eva Jansen
10 am to 4pm - Tuesday to Thursday
Phone: (03) 5472 1900
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Baptisms, Marriages

Pastoral Care of the Sick
For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments, please contact the Parish Priest.

St Brigid's Hall

Bookings for St. Brigid's Hall are to be made through **Elaine Lacey** on:-
0448 009 945.

St Mary's Hall

Bookings for St. Mary's Hall are to be made through
Parish Office on: 5472 1900

CATHOLIC PARISH OF CASTLEMAINE



- HOLY NAME OF MARY, CASTLEMAINE • ST BRIGID'S, MALDON
- ST ANNE'S, NEWSTEAD • ST LAURENCE'S SANDON

SUNDAY 29TH JANUARY 2023

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Presbytery: 76 Hargraves Street / PO Box 151, Castlemaine 3450

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We are proud to acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung people as the traditional owners of this land.

Today's Readings

Zephaniah 2:3:12-13
1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Matthew 5:1-12



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Happy the poor in spirit; the Kingdom of heaven is theirs!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad: Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 58:7-10
1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:3

The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.

Through the Beatitudes, Jesus teaches of virtues and values in life that will result in blessings and rewards.

St Mary's School Mass

Beginning of the Year Mass will be held on **Friday 10th February** at **9.15am** in **St Mary's Church, Castlemaine. All Welcome**

Masses with the Anointing of the Sick

On the first weekend of the month at all Parish Masses. Our next celebration of this **Healing Sacrament** will be on the **4th and 5th of February. All Welcome.**

The Catholic Parish of Castlemaine is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and the vulnerable.

Rosary at the Grotto

All parishioners are invited to come and pray the Rosary at the Grotto on **Saturday 4th February at 10 am.** All Welcome.

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will commence meeting again on **Tuesday 7th of February at 4.15pm** in the **Buckley Room.** New Members are very Welcome.

Sandon Cemetery Committee Meeting

Our next Meeting for the Sandon Cemetery will be on **Tuesday 7th February** in the **Buckley Room, after the 6.00pm Mass.** The Mass will be offered for Maureen Heagney who looked after the cemetery and who passed away recently. All Welcome.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Our first Meeting for the year will be on Wednesday the **8th February at 7.30pm** in the **Presbytery.**

New School Principal

We welcome very warmly our new School Principal of St Mary's, Mr. John Doherty. We thank Mr Ben Shields for his great contributions to our school over the last 3 years. We wish him all the best on his appointment at St Patrick's School in Ballarat. Mr Doherty comes from Clairvaux Primary School in Belmont and will reside in Daylesford. Welcome to you and your family John!

Lourdes Day Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral.

You are invited to attend the annual Lourdes Mass at **St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday, 18th February at 10.30am.** This is a special occasion to pray for our sick, infirm and elderly and those who care for them. The principal celebrant will be Archbishop Peter A Comensoli. Everybody attending will receive a gift pack containing water from the grotto at Lourdes, rosary beads and prayer resources. A poster about the Mass is on display in the narthex of the church.

'Month's Mind' Mass, St Patrick's Cathedral

A memorial Mass for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sunday 29 January at 6.30pm**—approximately one month after his death. All are welcome.

Memorial Mass—Cardinal George Pell

A memorial Mass for the Repose of the Soul of His Eminence George Cardinal Pell A.C. will be celebrated at **St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday 3 February 2023 at 6.30pm** by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli. All Welcome.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths: Bill Brereton

Anniversary: Grace Barrett

Let us pray for all those who are sick and suffering serious illness, and for their families and loved ones who care for them.



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Sat 28th Jan 2023 Sun 29th Jan 2023

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bernadette Mayne

Ext Min Com: Trish Bowles

Sacristan: Trish

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Mike Ebzery

10.30am Sunday - Castlemaine

Reader: Justin Shortal

Ext Min Com: Victor Steiner

Sacristan: Christine

Ministers for Next Week 4th and 5th Feb

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: David Brennand

Ext Min Com: Bernadette Mayne

Sacristan: Marie

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Victor Steiner

Ext Min Com: Mary Hein

Sacristan: Betty

ONLINE GIVING

To contribute to our Thanksgiving by Direct Debit, our Catholic Development Fund account details are as follows:

CHURCH

BSB 083-347
Account No. 636 421 759
Acc. Name Castlemaine Parish
Church Account

PRESBYTERY

BSB 083-347
Account No. 635 910 163
Acc. Name Castlemaine Parish
Presbytery Account

PARISH DIARY

- **Tuesday 31st January**
6.00pm Mass at St Mary's
- **Wednesday 1st February**
9.15am Mass + Rosary at St Mary's
- **Thursday 2nd February**
10.30am Rosary, St Brigid's
11.00am Mass at St Brigid's
- **Friday 3rd February**
9.15am Mass and Adoration at St Mary's

Saints during the week:

31st - St John Bosco
1st Feb - St Brigid
2nd Feb - Presentation of the Lord
3rd Feb - Sts Ansgar and Blaise

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Please remember to leave your food donation for SVDP in the basket provided in the church. Thank you and God Bless!



THANKSGIVING

Thank you for your generous Offerings and every blessing for your Contribution.
Please put your surname or number on the envelope as a reference. This will help us keep our records up to date! Many Thanks.

1st Collection:
Presbytery: \$763
Target: \$1000
2nd Collection
Parish: \$852
Weekly Target \$2000