

A walk Through the Mass!

Gathering Rites

Coming together, assembling, is at the heart of our Sunday worship. The reason behind each of the ritual actions of the first part of the Mass can be found in the word; *gathering*. The purpose of these rites is to bring us together into one body, ready to listen and break bread together.

Greeters. We all like to be greeted and welcomed when we gather for a celebration. When friends come for a meal or a party we greet them at the door and welcome them into our home.

Use of Water: One of the first things Catholics do when they come to church is dip their right hand into water and make the sign of the cross. This ritual reminds us of our Baptism. We were baptized with water and signed with the cross. At every Mass we renew our promise to die to sin.

Genuflection: In medieval Europe, it was custom to go down on one knee (to genuflect) before a king or person of rank. This secular mark of honor gradually entered the Church and people began to genuflect to honor the altar and the presence of Christ in the tabernacle before entering the pew. Today many people bow to the altar before taking their place.

To be continued

WORSHIP TIMETABLE



<u>Saturday</u>		
Reconciliation	Castlemaine	5.15pm
Vigil Mass:	Castlemaine	6.00pm
<i>Rosary is prayed before Mass</i>		
<u>Sunday</u>		
Reconciliation:	Maldon	8.15am
Mass:	Maldon	8.30am
Mass:	Castlemaine	10.30am
<u>Tuesday</u>		
Mass:	Castlemaine	6.00pm
<u>Wednesday</u>		
Mass:	Castlemaine	9.15am
<i>Rosary is prayed after Mass</i>		
<u>Thursday</u>		
Rosary before Mass		
Mass:	Maldon	11.00am.
<u>Friday</u>		
Mass:	Castlemaine	9.15am
<i>Followed by Adoration.</i>		
<u>Second Sunday of the Month</u>		
Mass:	Newstead	6.00pm
<u>Fourth Sunday of the Month</u>		
Mass:	Sandon	6.00pm

CONTACT DETAILS

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St Mary's

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Parish Secretary

Eva Jansen
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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 through
Elaine Lacey on:- 0448 009 945.

St Mary's Hall

Bookings for St. Mary's Hall 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

14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter —Year B

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

14th April—Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
1 John 2:1-5
Luke 24:35-48

21st April—Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12
1 John 3:1-2
John 10:11-18

Responsorial Psalm

Lord let Your face shine on us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

Reflection

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you. ‘But they were startled and frightened...’ - Luke 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

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

Jesus Youth National Conference 2024

25h to 28th April—Belgrave Heights Convention Centre Melbourne

Jesus Youth is an international Catholic movement that challenges young people to live a meaningful, creative and fulfilling life.

This life begins with a personal, loving encounter with Jesus and continues as they grow in a joyful spirituality within a community of likeminded friends. Each person in the movement is called to live the faith every day by sharing the Good News in today's diverse environments and by carrying the mission of the Church to the peripheries of our world. Jesus Youth is approved by the Holy See and present in over 25 countries.

For more information about Jesus Youth and the Yes Lord Conference:

<https://jesusyouth.org.au/>

<https://jesusyouth.org.au/hog/>

<https://jesusyouth.org.au/yeslord/>

Good Shepherd Sunday—World Day of Vocations - 21 April 2024

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday—the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

Fr. Wahid on Mission to New Guinea

Please pray for me and the team on Mission to New Guinea after Divine Mercy Sunday. I will be away from Monday 8th April to Friday 19th April. Mgr. Frank Marriott will supply on the weekend masses. Communion Services will be celebrated during the week.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The **Permanent Diaconate** is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on 4 May 2024 Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate : 03 94123357/ diaconate@cam.org.au

Women's Retreat at St. Mary's

You are warmly invited to a Women's retreat at St. Mary's Castlemaine Saturday the 20th April 10am (starting with Mass) to 3:15pm. Theme: "Making time for God: Back to Basics". Guest speaker: Fr. Dean Mathieson. Lunch and refreshments provided. Bookings: free for catering purposes. www.trybooking.com/CQABR. Enq.: cwlvicww@gmail.com

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths:

Anniversary:

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

13th April and 14th April

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bernadette

Ext Min Com: Trish B and Chris T

Sacristan: Marie

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Jackie Wiltshire

Special Min: Geoff McLennan

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Justin

Ext Min Com: Betty & Mary

Sacristan: Juliet

Ministers for Next Week

20th April and 21st April

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: David

Ext Min Com: Stephen and Jocelyn

Sacristan: Trish

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Tindi

Ext Min Com: Pauline & Julie

Sacristan: Betty

Linen Roster

April: Anne

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 16th April

4.15pm Legion of Mary

6.00pm St Mary's - Communion Service

Wednesday 17th April

9.15am St Mary's Communion Service
And Rosary

Thursday 18th April

10.30am Rosary

11.00am Communion Service

Friday 19th April

9.15am St. Mary's Communion Service
and Adoration

Rental Accommodation Needed

Do you have a house, flat or room to rent? Many from the Filipino and Pacific Islander community are in need of accommodation in Castlemaine, Kyneton and surrounding areas. Please contact Mary on 0402 853 566.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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



Garabandal Meetings

There will be no Garabandal meeting in April. Next Meeting will be on Thursday 2nd May, 1.30 to 3.00pm.

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: \$1153

Target: \$1000

2nd Collection

Parish: \$1800

Weekly Target \$2000