

A walk Through the Mass!
Gathering Rites

The Collect

The Collect is the opening prayer of the Mass bringing to mind that the community gathered stands in the presence of God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation sits for the first and second readings.

When we gather at a friend's home for a meal, we always begin with conversation, telling our stories. At Mass, after the rites of gathering, we sit down and listen as readings from the Word of God are proclaimed. They are the stories of God's people.

First Reading

The first reading is taken from the Hebrew scriptures, (Old Testament), except during the Easter season when the readings are taken from the Acts of the Apostles. In the first Reading, we hear of God's relationship with the Jewish people guiding them with mercy and forgiveness. We hear of the foretelling of the messiah and how the Jewish people prepared for this event.

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

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Bookings for St. Brigid's Hall through Elaine Lacey on:- 0448 009 945.
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CATHOLIC PARISH OF CASTLEMAINE



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

5th May 2024

Sixth 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.

<u>5th May—Sixth Sunday of Easter</u> Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17	<u>12th May—The Ascension Of The Lord</u> Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Mark 16:15-20
<u>Responsorial Psalm</u> The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.	<u>Gospel Acclamation</u> Alleluia! Alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!
<u>Rosary and Novena Devotion to Our Lady</u> A very powerful first <u>Saturday</u> prayer morning on <u>4th May</u> at <u>10.00am</u> in St. Mary's Church, Castlemaine. We pray the Rosary followed by Benediction. <u>All Welcome.</u>	<u>Masses with Anointing of the Sick</u> We have the Healing Sacrament of the <u>Anointing of the Sick</u> on the <u>4th and 5th May</u> at all the <u>Parish Masses</u> . <u>All Welcome.</u>
<u>Reflection</u> “ <i>This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.</i> ” - John 15:12-13	
Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?	

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

Mother's Day Celebrations

We invite all Mothers and Grandmothers to celebrate Mother's Day with us on 11th and 12th May at all the Parish Masses. We wish to bless you all and honour you on this special day. All Welcome.

St. Mary's School Open Day

All Welcome to attend St. Mary's Primary School Open Day on Tuesday 14th May between 9:30am and 11:00am. We have a wonderful school - Come and see - invite others to consider our Catholic School for their children.

Envelopes for Thanksgiving & Presbytery Offerings

We have some spare envelopes if you would like to donate using an envelope at the weekend Masses for both collections (Thanksgiving and Presbytery Offering). If you are a new giver; for record purposes please fill out the card inside the envelope, include the number of the envelope and return the card to the Presbytery. Many thanks indeed.

Baptism at St. Mary's

We welcome very warmly to our Community in Baptism, 2 Sisters— Rubi-Lee Chapman and Elaina Chapman - this weekend in St. Mary's Church after the 10:30am Mass. God bless them both and their parents Phil and Rebeka and their God Parents Damien Gamboni and Penelope Williams.

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August). CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Your generous donation will help the most vulnerable members of our community – those facing unemployment and homelessness, those experiencing mental health challenges, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, newly arrived refugees, and those experiencing grief and trauma. Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your compassion and generosity will help the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513. All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible

Parish Finance Council

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th May at 1:00pm in the Presbytery.

Mass Count 2024

This year the Mass count is scheduled for the weekends of the 4th & 5th, 11th & 12th, 18th & 19th and 25th & 26th May.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths: Gary Smith, Maryanne Maltby
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

4th May & 5th May

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Eva

Ext Min Com: Vin & Bernadette

Sacristan: Eva

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Geoff McLennon

Special Min: Beth Price

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Victor

Ext Min Com: Christine & Julie

Sacristan: Betty

Ministers for Next Week

11th May and 12th May

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bernadette

Ext Min Com: Trish B & Chris T

Sacristan: Trish

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Justin

Ext Min Com: Betty & Mary

Sacristan: Christine

Linen Roster

May: Julie Farrell

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 7th May

4.15pm Legion of Mary

6.00pm St Mary's - Mass

Wednesday 8th May

9.15am St Mary's Mass

And Rosary

Thursday 9th May

10.30am Rosary

11.00am Mass

Friday 10th May

9.15am St. Mary's Mass and Adoration

Saints during the week

10th —St. John de Avila

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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



Caritas Collection

Thank you for your generous donations to Caritas this year. We have received \$1,240.

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: \$ 854

Target: \$1000

2nd Collection

Parish: \$1128

Weekly Target \$2000