Rosary and Novena to our Blessed Mother Mary.

The First Saturday of the Month is a special day to honor our Blessed Mother Mary. To pray the Rosary together for peace in the World and for miraculous healings on <u>Saturday</u> 3rd August at 10.00am in St Mary's Church Castlemaine. All Welcome!!

Masses with Anointing of the Sick Sacrament

On the <u>3rd & 4th August</u> at <u>ALL the Parish Masses</u>, we will administer the Sacrament of healing of the Sick! - <u>All Welcome</u>!!!

Mass at Thompson House

Our next Mass will be on <u>Wednesday 7th August at 11:00am</u> at Thompson House. We offer the Mass for all the residents and staff for all at Castlemaine Health. All Welcome

Communion Service at Arcare

Our next Communion Service will be on <u>Wednesday 7th August at 1.30pm</u> at Arcare. All residents are welcome to pray with us and receive divine strength and healing by receiving Holy Communion and being anointed with the Sacrament of the sick. <u>All Welcome</u>.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Pope Francis encourages us not to 'cast off' the elderly when their hair grows white or their working lives come to an end. Rather, he says, they are the 'firm foundation' upon which other stones can rest to form the edifice of the Church.

WORSHIP TIMETABLE		A MARKET	CONTACT DETAILS
Saturday			Parish Priest
Reconciliation	Castlemaine	5.15pm	Rev Wahid Riad PP
Vigil Mass:	Castlemaine	6.00pm	Phone: (03) 5472 1900
Rosary is prayed before Mass			Mobile: 0419 511 064
<u>Sunday</u>			St Mary's
Reconciliation	: Maldon	8.15am	Primary School
Mass:	Maldon	8.30am	Principal: John Doherty
Mass:	Castlemaine	10.30am	Phone: (03) 5472 2270
<u>Tuesday</u>			Parish Secretary
Mass:	Castlemaine	6.00pm	Eva Jansen
Wednesday			10 am to 4pm - Tuesday to Thursday
Mass:	Castlemaine	9.15am	Phone: (03) 5472 1900
Rosary is prayed after Mass			Baptisms, Marriages
<u>Thursday</u>			Pastoral Care of the Sick
Rosary before Mass			For details regarding the celebration of
Mass:	Maldon	11.00am.	these sacraments, please contact the
<u>Friday</u>			Parish Priest.
Mass:	Castlemaine	9.15am	St Brigid's Hall
Followed by Adoration.			Bookings for St. Brigid's Hall through
Second Sunday of the Month			Elaine Lacey on:- 0448 009 945.
Mass:	Newstead	6.00pm	St Mary's Hall
Fourth Sunday of the Month		•	Bookings for St. Mary's Hall through
Mass:	Sandon	6.00pm	Parish Office on: 5472 1900
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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

28th July 2024

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

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

Parish Priest: Rev Fr. Wahid Riad Web: www.stmaryscastlemaine.org.au

Ph: (03) 5472 1900 **Email:** castlemaine@cam.org.au

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

17th Sun in Ordinary Time—Year B –28 July

2 Kings 4:42-44 Ephesians 4:1-6

John 6:1-15

18th Sun in Ordinary Time—Year B -4 Aug

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

Responsorial Psalm

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Celebrating Sacraments at St. Mary's 2024

We invite all parish families to register their children to receive the wonderful sacraments of the church in 2024. These are the dates for this year:-

1st Holy Communion: Sunday 18th August at 10:30am

<u>Confirmation</u>: Sunday <u>17th November</u> at <u>10:30am</u>

Please register <u>NOW</u> for the Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion (Grade 4 and upwards) by contacting the Parish Office on 5472 1900. This Sacramental Program is for the children <u>not</u> attending St. Mary's School. We ask the parents to bring the children to Mass on the weekends.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

'the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve' (Matthew 20:28)

James, son of Zebedee, and elder brother of the apostle John was one of Jesus' earliest followers. He and his brother were called by Jesus while they were by the Sea of Galilee (Mt 4:21-22), and they immediately left their father and boat to follow him. This demonstrated their strong and passionate characters, earning them the nickname 'sons of thunder' from Jesus. Following Jesus demands humility. From our Baptism, we are called to be a witness and transform the world. This transformation is only possible through serving others with generosity, dedication and joy in following and announcing Jesus. May St. James inspire us to be modern day apostles in word and action. Amen. by Ernesto Villalba

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



St Mary's School Mass Celebrating Mary Mackillop

<u>All are Welcome</u> to Celebrate the feast of St Mary of the Cross on <u>Wednesday 7th August</u> at 9.15am in St Mary's Church Castlemaine.

First Holy Communion Preparation Eucharist

All children preparing to celebrate their 1st Holy Communion this year are asked to attend with their families, the <u>Preparation Eucharist</u> on <u>Wednesday 31st July at 3.30pm</u> in <u>St Mary's School Library</u>.

1st Holy Communion Commitment Mass

The Commitment Mass for all the children making their 1st Holy Communion is on Sunday 4th August at 10.30am Mass in St Mary's Church, Castlemaine. This is a time of commitment and prayer for all our children and their families. All Welcome.

Parish and School Anniversary Celebration—170 Years

On <u>Sunday 11th August 2024</u>, we will celebrate 170 years Anniversary of our Parish and School of St Mary's. Please note the date in your diary. <u>A special Mass at 10.30 in St Mary's</u> Church, Castlemaine and afterwards in St Mary's Hall for a Light Lunch celebration. Please invite all past and present parishioners and all who attended St Mary's School, Castlemaine to celebrate this special anniversary with us. All donations will be appreciated. All Welcome

THANK YOU

To everyone who could come to celebrate Fr. Wahid's birthday/10yr anniversary in our Parish and School. We are very grateful to Fr Wahid for a wonderful Mass. Anne for her beautiful "170th stole", David and the choir for the amazing music. The cuppa in the Buckley Room was very welcome for our visitors on a cold day. Birthday cakes were delicious, thanks Betty. Marie for organizing lunch. Fr. Wahid had a great day! Thanks Everyone!!Marie

Sausage Sizzle and Bonfire

You're invited to a sausage sizzle and bonfire at <u>St Brigid's Hall Maldon</u> on <u>Saturday 3 August 12-3pm.</u> Free! Gold coin donations welcome for church needs. Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet in the church at 3pm. Would love to see you there!

<u>Defibrillator in St Mary's Church—Operators Needed!!</u>

A defibrillator will soon be installed in the foyer of St Mary's Church! There are 10 elearning courses that come with the unit. If you wish to participate in this learning and can volunteer to operate the unit when necessary, please call the presbytery office 5472 1900 or Eva on 0413940216.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



Recent Deaths: Therese O'Loughlin

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 27th July and 28th July

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bernadette

Ext Min Com: Chris T & Marie Mc

Sacristan: Marie

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Ann Fitzpatrick
Ext Min Com: Beth Price

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Victor

Ext Min Com: Betty & Mary H

Sacristan: Betty

Ministers for Next Week 3rd August & 4th August

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Eva

Ext Min Com: Stephen & Jocelyn

Sacristan: Eva

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Justin

Ext Min Com: Christine & Julie F

Sacristan: Christine

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<u>August:</u> Eva Jansen

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

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Presbytery Account

PARISH DIARY

TUESDAY 30th July

4.15pm Legion of Mary—Buckley Room 6.00pm St Mary's - Communion Service

Wednesday 31st July

9.15am St Mary's Mass And Rosary

Thursday 1st August

10.30am Rosary

11.00am St. Brigid's Mass

Friday 2nd August

9.15am St. Mary's Mass and Adoration

Saints during the week

29th—Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus

30th—St Peter Chrysologus 31st—St Igantius of Loyola

1st Aug —St Alphonsus Mary Liguori

2nd Aug—St Peter Faber 3rd Aug—St Dominic

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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

Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima is available to visit your home! If you would like to have her with you for two weeks, please contact Sebastian on 0439 847 894 to arrange her visit!

THANKSGIVING

Thank you for your generous Offerings and every blessing for your Contribution.

Please put your <u>surname</u> and number on the envelope as a reference. This will help us keep our records up to date! Many Thanks.

1st Collection:

<u>Presbytery:</u> \$1027

Target: \$1000

2nd Collection

<u>Parish</u>: \$1091

Weekly Target \$2000