

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE



•COMMUNAL CELEBRATIONS OF RECONCILIATION

St Brigid's: Thursday 10th April 11:00am
St Mary's: Tuesday 15th April 7:00pm

•PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

St Mary's: Saturday 12th April 6:00pm
 Sunday 13th April 10:30am
St Brigid's: Sunday 13th April 8:30am

St. Anne's: Sunday 13th April 6:00pm

•HOLY THURSDAY 17th April

St Mary's:
 Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm
 followed by Adoration until 11:00pm

•GOOD FRIDAY 18th April

Castlemaine:
 Castlemaine Way of the Cross
 starting at St Mary's Church 11:00am

Maldon:
 Ecumenical Way of the Cross,
 Beehive Chimney 10:30am

St Mary's:
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00pm

•EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY 19th April

St Mary's: Mass 7:30pm

•EASTER SUNDAY 20th April

St Brigid's: Mass 8:30am
St Mary's: Mass 10:30am

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

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St Mary's

Primary School
 Principal: Anushka Vaz
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Parish Secretary

Eva Jansen
 10 am to 4pm - Tuesday to Thursday
 Phone: (03) 5472 1900/0413940216

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

13th April 2025

Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord —Year C

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

Palm Sunday—13th April

Isaiah 50:4-7
 Philippians 2:6-11
 Luke 22:14-23:56

Easter Sunday—20th April

Acts 10:34,37-43
 Colossians 3:1-4
 John 20:1-9

Responsorial Psalm

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (LUKE 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up in **Stewardship** and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

RCIA for 2025

RCIA stands for *Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults*.

We have so many young adults that God has brought to us who would love to join the Catholic Community here at St Mary's. We welcome them very warmly and any others searching for a faith community. We need sponsors to join us on the journey and parishioners who would love to share their faith with them. We began on Thursday 6th February at 7.00pm in the Buckley Room. All Welcome

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

Fr Wahid Riad

Fr Wahid has faithfully served as parish priest at Castlemaine, Maldon, Newstead and Sandon churches for over 10 years. We would like to sincerely thank him for his loyal spiritual and practical care for the parish, his ministry and joyful spirit. He will be missed as he moves on to another parish in Melbourne (leaving date and farewell to be confirmed) and looks forward to his future ministry. Parish Pastoral Council

Holy Year Blessing of Church Doors

This Palm/Passion Sunday weekend we will bless all our Church doors in the various Churches of the Parish. Praying that all those who enter through these Holy Doors will be truly Blessed and touched by God.

Mass of the Oils

All parishioners are very warmly invited to celebrate the annual Mass of the Oils on Tuesday 15th April at 10:00am in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne. The Oils that we use during the year are blessed at this celebration and all the priests of the Archdiocese of Melbourne renew their Priestly vows. All welcome!

Divine Mercy Sunday - 27th April 2025

"The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment"
All Parishioners and everyone are most welcome to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday with us. Please invite others to receive all the Heavenly graces of this weekend:-

St Mary's, Castlemaine—6.00pm Saturday Vigil
And 10.30am Sunday Holy Mass
2.00pm Confessions and Adoration
2.30pm Rosary and Prayers
3.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
3.15pm Holy Mass

Confession on Saturday at 5.00pm or After the Sunday Mass.

St Brigids 8.00am Confessions
8.30am Holly Mass



All Welcome

NB: Please Note: NO evening Mass at 6.00pm in Sandon on this day!!!

Good Friday—Holy Places Collection 18th April

The Good Friday Collection will be taken up on Friday 18th at All the Parish Masses.

Parish Finance Council

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 16th April at 1:00pm in the presbytery.

MenALIVE

Men are invited to our MenALIVE meeting on Monday 14th April. We welcome men to join us for prayer and discussion of God's word. Monday at 7.30pm in the Buckley room .

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths: Steven Young, Loretta Ward

Anniversary: Giuseppe Gazzardi

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

12th April and 13th April

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bernadette

Ext Min Com: Christ T & Volunteer

Sacristan: Marie

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Geoff McLennan

Ext Min Com: Pam Fitzpatrick

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Tindi

Ext Min Com: Christine & Victor

Sacristan: Christine

Ministers for Next Week

19th April and 20th April

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: David Britton

Ext Min Com: Bernadette & Vin

Sacristan: Liz

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Victor

Ext Min Com: Betty & Julie

Sacristan: Betty

Linen Roster

April: Anne Applebee

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 15th April

4.15pm Legion of Mary—Buckley Room

6.00pm St Mary's Mass of Reconciliation

Wednesday 16th April

9.15am St Mary's Mass and Rosary

1.00pm Finance Meeting—Presbytery

Thursday 17th April

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Friday 18th April

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Monthly Working Bee at St Mary's

We need your help in keeping St Mary's Parish complex looking beautiful and tidy. We plan to have a monthly Working Bee on the 1st Saturday of the Month after the Rosary at the Grotto from 11.00am - 1.00pm. Please bring any tools of the trade with you. Many Thanks in anticipation. We finish with refreshments in the Buckley Room.

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Please remember to leave your 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 and number on the envelope as a reference. This will help us keep our records up to date! Many Thanks.

1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1429

Target: \$1000

2nd Collection

Parish: \$1696

Weekly Target \$2000