

### 1st Reconciliation Celebration at St Mary's

Please pray for all the children preparing for their 1st Reconciliation Celebration. This will be on Wednesday 4th June at 6.00pm in St Mary's Church. All Welcome.

### Pentecost Sunday 8th June 2025

Please join us to celebrate the Birthday of the Church next Sunday at ALL the Parish Masses. Asking the Holy Spirit to fill us anew and renew the face of the earth. Come Holy Spirit with your fire. Prepare well for the great feast and maybe wear RED colour as you come to Church and invite others to celebrate our Birthday. Happy Birthday to you all.

### National Day of Prayer and Fasting

On Saturday 7th June at the Church of Christ Castlemaine, we are all invited to join in prayer with all the Churches around Australia from 2.00pm to 3.00pm. The day begins at 10.00am and finishes at 4.00pm. All Welcome

### NEW ALTAR MINISTERS ROSTER

The new rosters are about to be completed. If anyone would like to be a reader, Special Minister or Sacristan could they please see Fr. Wahid. Those currently involved in one of the ministries, could you please text Juliet on 0422 344 907, or email [julietguy@bigpond.com](mailto:julietguy@bigpond.com) re: availability, or if you are unable to assist in the next roster. Many thanks, Juliet

### 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**  
 Phone: (03) 5472 1900  
 Mobile: 0419 511 064

#### St Mary's

Primary School  
 Principal: Anushka Vaz  
 Phone: (03) 5472 2270

#### 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

**1st June 2025**

### **Ascension of The Lord —Year C**

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

**Parish Priest:** Rev Fr. Wahid Riad **Web:** [www.stmaryscastlemaine.org.au](http://www.stmaryscastlemaine.org.au)

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

#### The Ascension of The Lord—1 June 2025

Acts 1: 1-11  
 Ephesians 1:17-23  
 Luke 24:46-53



#### Pentecost Sunday—8 June 2025

Acts 2:1-11  
 Romans 8:8-17  
 John 14:15-16,23-26



### Responsorial Psalm

**God Mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.!**

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Go and teach all people my gospel, I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!**

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." (Revelations 22:13)*

This is a reminder of how we should live our lives 24 hours a day, 7 days a week – putting God first in all that we do. Not only when I am at Mass and parish activities, but when I am in the world, at work, or at school. Living Stewardship gratefully and generously is an intentional lifestyle. Every decision you make either moves you closer to God or farther away. Choose wisely!

### Sacraments for the Children 2025

We invite all Parish families to register and prepare their children for the Sacraments this year. This is for the children who do not attend St Mary's School. Contact the Parish Office to register on: 54721900.

1st Reconciliation: 4th June at 6.00pm at St Mary's Church

1st Holy Communion: 10th August at the 10.30am Mass at St Mary's Church.

Confirmation: 26th October at 10.30am Mass

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

### **Masses of Anointing the Sick**

At **ALL** the Prish Masses on the weekend of 31st May/1st June. All Welcome on the feast of the Lord's Ascension into heaven, to receive all the graces and power of the Lordship of Jesus Christ

### **Mass at Thompson House**

Our next Mass at Thompson House will be on Wednesday 4th June at 11.00am. This Mass is offered for all the sick in acute rehab Wards and all the residents of Thompson House and all the other Houses in Castlemaine Health. All Welcome

### **Mass at Arcare Castlemaine**

Our next Mass will be on Wednesday 4th June at 1.30pm in Arcare Castlemaine. All residents and are very welcome and their families.

### **Garabandal Meetings—3rd June**

The next Garabandal Meeting will take place on 3rd June in the Buckley Room. All Welcome. Contact Trish Bowles: 0419873693

### **1st Saturday of the Month—7th June**

A special day of prayer on the eve of Pentecost with Mass at 10.00am preceded by confession at 9.30am followed by the Rosary. All Welcome

### **Monthly Working Bee at St Mary's—7th June**

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 7th June 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.

### **BUSHDANCE in St Mary's Hall—14th June 2025**

Castlemaine North Primary School is holding a dance at our Hall, please support them if you can. Tickets are available via this link:: <https://events.humanitix.com/cnps-parent-bush-dance-fundraiser>

### **Vibrant Parish Formation Series 2025**

How can we deepen our prayer life? How does hospitality transform guest and host? How do we bridge the gap between parishes and schools? Our parishes are called to be life-giving 'communities of grace', fostering holiness and discipleship while joyfully sharing the love of Jesus Christ with all. International and local speakers, and workshop presenters, will inspire and equip participants to create a vibrant parish. This new formation series will be held over five sessions (6.30pm - 9pm) in two locations:

Tuesdays in Wheelers Hill: 13 May, 10 June, 1 July, 12 Aug, 9 Sept

Wednesdays (Repeat) in Sunshine: 14 May, 11 June, 2 July, 13 Aug, 10 Sept

Sessions are subsidised by the parish. If interested in attending (or for more information on speakers etc) please send an email to [stmaryspastoral@hotmail.com](mailto:stmaryspastoral@hotmail.com)

### **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

#### **Recent Deaths:**

**Anniversary:** Tom 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**

#### **31st May and 1st June**

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: David Britton

Ext Min Com: Vin & Marie

Sacristan: Liz

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Jane Waycott

Ext Min Com: Beth Price

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Justin

Ext Min Com: Christine & Julie

Sacristan: Christine

#### **Ministers for Next Week**

##### **7th and 8th June**

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bill

Ext Min Com: Bernadette & Vin

Sacristan: Liz

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Tindi

Ext Min Com: Betty & Victor

Sacristan: Betty

#### **Linen Roster**

June: Veronica Warren

#### **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 3rd June**

4.15pm Legion of Mary—Buckley Room

6.00pm St Mary's Communion Service

#### **Wednesday 4th June**

9.15am St Mary's Mass and Rosary

6.00pm—1st Reconciliation—St Mary's

6.30pm Bible Study in Buckley Room

#### **Thursday 5th June**

10.30am St Brigid's Maldon—Rosary

11.00am St Brigid's Maldon—Mass

#### **Friday 6th June**

9.15am Mass & Adoration at St Mary's

#### **Saints of the Week**

2nd—Sts Marcellinus & Peter

3rd—St Charles Lwanga & Companions

5th—St Boniface

6th—St Norbert and St Marcellin Champagnat

#### **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: \$994

Target: \$1000

2nd Collection

Parish: \$1264

Weekly Target \$2000