

Priests on Call in Emergency

Fr Declan O'Brien—0457708586 - Parish Priest—Kyneton and Castlemaine:
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World Mission Sunday—Thank You

Thank you for all who contributed to World Mission Sunday.
If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at
catholicmission.org.au/mission. Your action will make a profound
change on people's lives.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/mission



SAVE THE DATE—Sat 6th Dec 2025

Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and Our Parish Annual Christmas Tea.
Could we please all save the 6th Dec, for a combined Feast of the Immaculate Conception
celebration **AND** our Christmas get together. Everyone is invited, please spread the news!
We will celebrate a wonderful, spiritual and joyous occasion.
Please contact Marie McCallum with any ideas you may have.
Call: 0434678765 or email: mariemac28@icloud.com

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**

Wednesday

Communion Service:
Castlemaine **9.15am**

Rosary is prayed after Mass

Thursday

Rosary before Service
Communion Service:
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

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 O'TOOLE, SANDON



26th October 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C

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

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

Thirtieth Sun in Ordinary Time—26 Oct 25

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14



All Saints - 1 Nov & All Souls - 2nd Nov 25

Isaiah 15:6-9

Romans 5:5-11

Luke 7:11-17



Responsorial Psalm

The Lord hears the cry of the poor:

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of
reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!**

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will
be exalted." Luke 18:14*

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so
valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is
another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of
humility. Remember Stewardship. All that we have and all that we are is a gift from
God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all
we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.



Confirmation 2025 –26th October

On this special day remember that God is always with you. He's
ready to support you in all your efforts, missteps, and successes.
May you find strength and perseverance through him and his
guidance.

God's Richest Blessings from the Parish of
Castlemaine.

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

Communion Service—ARCARE—5th November 2025

There will be a Communion Service at Arcare the first week of the month on Wednesday 5th November at 1.30pm. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Anointing Masses in November 2025

All Welcome to come and receive this sacrament of healing and comfort at ALL Masses on the weekend of 1st and 2nd November.

Book of the Names of the Dead

For the month of November, the Book of the Names of the Dead will be available for parishioners to write the names of their beloved family members and friends who have passed away since last year. The Book will be in the front of the Church at St Mary's.

TRANSPORT REQUIRED FROM ELPHINSTONE TO MASS

There is a lady from the Philippines currently living in Elphinstone requiring transport to the 6pm Mass at St Mary's Castlemaine. If you live in the area or close by and can help, please call Eva on 0413940216. for more details.



Monthly Rosary and Working Bee at St Mary's

Please join us in saying the Rosary in our beautiful Grotto at St Mary's Castlemaine on the 1st Saturday of every month at 10.30am, after which if you can, please join our working Bee when we will tidy our gardens and the Church to keep them looking beautiful and clean. Please bring tools, equipment and any safety gear you may need.



MenALIVE—Meeting—10th November 2025

The next MenALIVE get together will be on the 10th November in the Buckley Room at 7.00pm. All men in the Parish are welcome to come and enjoy fellowship and lively Discussion.

THE BETHANY WAY—INTRODUCTORY RETREAT

At the feet of Jesus: on retreat with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. On 8 November, all are invited to go 'on retreat with Martha, Mary, and Lazarus'. This free retreat will be a contemplative experience that renews your relationship with Jesus Christ, containing reflective talks and time for personal prayer. The retreat will introduce you to The Bethany Way – an immersive formation experience for all who wish to grow in Christ and discover their place in the Church's mission. Registration is essential. Bookings close Monday 3 November. - proclaim@cam.org.au

Andrew Chinn Concert at St Mary's School 2:15 Wed 29th Oct

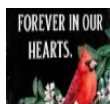
Andrew has visited over 1000 schools sharing songs of faith and fun. He will be running workshops with the children throughout the day which will finish with a concert in the library 2:15-3:15pm. All are warmly welcome to come along.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths:

Anniversary: Bernadette Daniels

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

25th and 26th October 2025

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: David Brennand

Ext Min Com: Marie Mc

Sacristan: David

8.30am Sunday - Maldon - St Brigid's

Reader: Jane Waycott

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Jenny Howe

Ext Min Com: Mary H

Sacristan: Betty

Ministers for Next Week

1st and 2nd November (All Souls)

6.00pm Saturday—Castlemaine

Reader: Bill

Ext Min Com: Bernadette

Sacristan: Marie

10.30am Sunday—Castlemaine

Reader: Justin

Ext Min Com: Julie

Sacristan: Christine

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November: Marvic

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 28th October

4.15pm Legion of Mary—Buckley Room

Wednesday 29th October

9.15am St Mary's Communion Service and Rosary

Thursday 30th October

10.30am St Brigid's Maldon—Rosary

11.00am St Brigid's Maldon—Com Service

Friday 31st October

9.15am Mass—St Mary's.

Saints of the Week

28th—Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

Garabandal Meeting

The next Garabandal meeting will be held on Thursday 6th November in the Buckley room 1.30pm to 3.00pm. All are welcome to attend. Contact Trish: 0419873693

Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

If you would like to have our Lady of Fatima in your home 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



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: Priest Living expenses, Priests retirement Fund, Priest Training and stipend.

Presbytery: \$561

Target: \$1000

2nd Collection: Upkeep & Maintenance of Parish Prop, Staff Salaries, Parish Utilities, Priest motor vehicle expenses. General Expenses

Parish: \$684

Weekly Target \$2000