



Newsletter

Term 2, Week 8

Thursday June 10th, 2021



We acknowledge and respect the past and present Elders, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and custodians of this land the Dja Dja Wurrung people. Thank you for protecting and preserving our land Australia in the past, for sharing it now and educating us for the future. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their spiritual connection to Country.

Wonder • Persevere • Believe • Create
Respect • Responsibility • Resilience

TERM DATES

JUNE Friday, 11th	Gr. Prep Class Mass - 9:15am	Thursday, 24th	P & F Meeting - 9:30am - <i>All welcome</i>
Monday, 14th	QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Friday, 25th	Whole School Mass - 9:15am Reports Released via PAM Last Day of Term 2 - 2:30pm Finish
Friday, 18th	LADIES NIGHT - 7:00pm Bridge Hotel	JULY Monday, 12th	Term 3 Commences
Monday, 21st	Assembly - 2:45pm <i>Gr. Prep to lead</i>	Wednesday, 14th Thursday, 15th	Parent/Student/Teacher Conversations - <i>Book online</i>
Tuesday, 22nd	Special Lunch Day <i>Please return orders by Thursday, 17th June.</i>	Sunday, 25th	1st Holy Communion Commitment Mass - 10:30am

O most holy heart of Jesus,
fountain of every blessing,
I adore you, I love you,
and with lively sorrow for my sins
I offer you this poor heart of mine.
Make me humble, patient, pure
and wholly obedient to your will.

Grant, Good Jesus,
that I may live in you and for you.
Protect me in the midst of danger.
Comfort me in my afflictions.
Give me health of body,
assistance in my temporal needs,
your blessing on all that I do,
and the grace of a holy death.
Amen.



Dear families,

In this week's newsletter I have chosen to publish some important aspects of school life at St. Mary's that are covered in the parent handbook. I am particularly conscious of our student attendance requirements, illness in relation to COVIDSafe practices and the uniform expectations; all of which are a condition of enrolment at our school. There have been a few questions along the way and I see this as an opportunity to share the information to clarify any uncertainties.

There are also intended updates to come either later today or tomorrow following the easing of restrictions. Under current restrictions we are unable to have incursions or excursions but this may change. When the updated Operations Guide is published, we will review it and adjust accordingly.

Resilience

It's so great to have the students back onsite and getting stuck into their learning. I have been so impressed with how they have continued to adapt to the ever changing circumstances of COVID19. I sincerely hope this assists this generation in building resilience and their ability to adapt to whatever is in front of them. Keep up the great work supporting your children, parents! Well done!

Parent Teacher Interviews

We have these Parent Teacher Interviews scheduled for the beginning of term 3. The rationale for this meeting time is to discuss the semester one report, check-in with student progress (academically and socially) as well as discussing future learning endeavours. Regardless of the state of affairs (if...please no...we were in a state of lock down or still with restrictions to visitors), we will uphold the interview schedule via phone. Stay tuned and be ready to book in via PAM (schedule to be released early next week).

Reports

Staff have been busy collecting and analysing data and student work samples to make an informed decision for this semester's reporting period. Thanks to the staff for their work on moderating assessments and the time that goes into report writing. I hope families gain a true sense of their child from the teacher's reports. The reports will be released via PAM on Friday 25th June by 4pm.

Student Attendance

A teacher will be on duty in the school yard from 8:30am. Please make sure your child gets to school before the school bell at 8:50am as students are required to be present in the classroom at 8.50am with formal tuition beginning at 9.00am. Students should not be left at the school before 8:30am.

It is important that you work your child's schedule to fit in with the school hours. Children need plenty of time to eat breakfast and prepare for school. Children arriving at school after 9.00am must be signed in at reception by a parent. Please use the iPad to select your child and complete the sign-in process. We have ceased the use of late passes.

Please collect your child promptly after school at 3.15pm, otherwise they begin to worry and often become anxious. If you are held up for any reason, simply phone the school office. We would appreciate as early notice as possible, preferably before 3.15pm as this will allow us to let the child know in time before they are dismissed. Staff also have meetings to attend three times each week so need to be available to attend these on time.

Your child should attend school every day, unless sick when they are required to stay at home. If a child becomes sick at school, parents will be notified to collect them.

Illness

The advice continues to be stay home when unwell. The most important action our school community can take to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 is to ensure that any unwell staff and students remain at home and get tested, even with the mildest of symptoms. I understand that this is frustrating, but it is also unavoidable in the current climate. Please note there is an expectation that should children have an illness they must be tested for COVID-19 and have a medical certificate prior to returning to school. This measure is to ensure we can remain open.

Students with underlying conditions (such as hay fever or asthma)

If a student has persistent symptoms due to an underlying condition such as hay fever or asthma, the student should still be tested for COVID-19 if they develop symptoms that are different to or worse than their usual symptoms. Students whose symptoms are clearly typical for their underlying condition can continue to attend school.

Parents/carers should also consider getting a medical certificate from the child's treating GP to confirm that it is safe for them to attend school with persistent symptoms that may overlap with some of the symptoms of COVID-19 such as cough or runny nose.

Young children with persistent mild symptoms

Younger children (pre-school up to Grade 2) may have prolonged post-viral symptoms such as a runny nose or cough and may return to school following a negative COVID-19 test even if they are not completely free of symptoms. They will need a medical certificate from their GP to confirm they are otherwise well or have recovered from their acute illness.

Any worsening of symptoms will require review and repeat COVID-19 testing, if considered appropriate by the doctor. Students with a negative COVID-19 test whose symptoms have completely resolved do not need a medical certificate to return to the school.

Abridged from: Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (Ltd) School Operations Guide

Uniform

An enrolment expectation at St. Mary's is for all students to wear the correct full school uniform. It gives the students a sense of belonging and pride in their school. If this is not possible for the day, please address a note to the class teacher which will be passed on to the principal. Students who do not wear the correct uniform will be asked to explain by written note. There are pictures on our school website that show the correct school uniform.

We ask that children keep their hair clean and tidy and long hair (shoulder length or longer) must be tied back (helps prevent the spread of head lice). Hair should be of a natural colour. Hair ribbons in school colours are allowed. Nail polish or any make-up is not allowed.

For safety reasons we ask that children wear minimal or no jewellery at all to school, this also prevents the problem of expensive or sentimental items being lost.

Sports uniform is to be worn on the days that they participate in Physical Education classes (Thursdays), interschool sporting days or days specified by the school that relates to a sporting event. Children may be required to bring sports shoes at other times as indicated in the newsletter. Sports shoes are not part of the general school uniform.

Additional points:

I've had a couple of queries, especially approaching winter, relating to what can and can't be worn.

- Winter apparel such as gloves, beanies and scarves consistent with school colours. ✓
- Visible undergarments of different colours (i.e. long sleeve tops, skivvies) X
- Track pants under dresses instead of tights X

If you have any questions, concerns, feedback . . . anything! You're always most welcome to come and have a chat.

Have a happy and safe week ahead. I hope you find something enjoyable to do over the look weekend.

Kind regards,
Ben Shields.



Recycling of Bread Bags and Tags Collection Period Extended

*Collection period has now been extended to
Friday, 16th July.*

*Thank you to the many families who have already
brought in their bags and tags for recycling.*

S U S T A I N A B I L I T Y



‘Sustainability is our SUPER POWER!’

World Ocean’s Day

was on June 8th

“The Ocean: Life and Livelihoods” was the theme for World Ocean’s Day, 2021.

Did you know?

- The ocean produces at least 50% of the planet’s oxygen.
- With 90% of big fish populations depleted, and 50% of coral reefs destroyed, we are taking more from the ocean than can be replenished.
- Oceans absorb about 30% of carbon dioxide produced by humans, buffering the impacts of global warming.

Ways to Help Our Ocean:

Around Home

1. **Conserve Water** - Use less water so excess runoff and wastewater will not flow into the ocean.
2. **Reduce Pollutants** - Choose nontoxic chemicals and dispose of herbicides, pesticides, and cleaning products properly.
3. **Reduce Waste** - Cut down on what you throw away.

Around Town

4. **Shop Wisely** - Choose sustainable seafood. Buy less plastic and bring a reusable bag.
5. **Reduce Vehicle Pollution** - Use fuel efficient vehicles, carpool or ride a bike.
6. **Use Less Energy** - Choose energy efficient light bulbs and don't overset your thermostat.

Anytime, Anywhere

7. **Volunteer** - Volunteer for clean-ups at the beach and in your community. You can get involved in protecting your watershed too!

We would like to wish the following students a very happy birthday for Monday. Apologies to Charlie & Lucy who were missed in last week's newsletter.



Charlie Inskip : 7th June
Lucy Lewis : 7th June

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

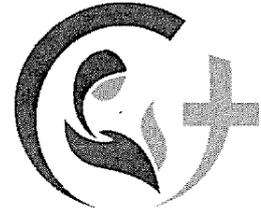


St Vincent de Paul are having their winter appeal, and would be grateful for any non-perishable food or clean, good quality blankets.

They appreciate your continued support.

Please leave in the plastic tub outside the school office.

Many Thanks.



SPECIAL LUNCH DAY

Tuesday, 22nd June

Name:

Grade:

Could you please indicate below your child's order. Order needs to be returned to school office by Thursday, 17th June.

Please note that this is a lunch order, and that snack, etc. will still need to be sent with your child.

		<i>No. of</i>
Pie	\$ 3.20	_____
Sausage Roll	\$ 2.50	_____
Pastie	\$ 3.20	_____
Vegetarian		
Sausage Roll	\$ 2.50	_____

Please put order, with total amount, in an envelope with name and grade clearly marked. Thank you.

P & F News . . .

LADIES NIGHT:

Friday, 18th June from 6:30pm. Venue TBA.

Come along for a chat, dinner, dessert and/or a drink. All welcome!

RSVP Jo on 0412 839124.

TUESDAY'S FRUIT MORNING:

P & F purchase a box of fruit for the children to eat every Tuesday morning. This has been well received by all of the students.

SUSHI LUNCH ORDER DAY:

A reminder that sushi lunch order day is now on a Friday.

Please order before 5pm each Thursday to ensure your order is placed *and please remember to put your child's grade, as orders are going to other classes.* Thank you!

BREAKFAST CLUB:

Breakfast Club has been put on hold at the moment, will resume as soon as we hear that it is ok.

Thank you to those who have kindly volunteered their time - more helpers would be great if you could kindly volunteer for a half hour or so.

If you would like to assist one morning per week please email Clare at c-majella@hotmail.com and you can be added to the roster.

TERM 2 STUDENT SPECIAL LUNCH DAY:

Tuesday, 22nd June (last week of term).

Lunch orders were sent home yesterday, or there is a copy here in the Newsletter.

Please could you have orders returned by Thursday, 17th June. Many thanks.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 24th June at 9:30am. All welcome!

Community News . . .



School Holidays are so much more fun with the Y!

Second term is flying by so quickly and another round of YMCA School Holiday Programs are just around the corner! Programs are running from **Monday 28 June – Friday 9 July** and bookings are now open.

Head to:

www.childrensprogramms.ymca.org.au/school-holiday-programs

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

WINTER 2021

WEEK 1 28 JUNE - 2 JULY

CONSTRUCTION CHALLENGE Mon 28 June



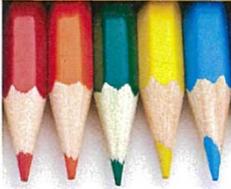
Build it, stack it, balance it, today is all about the art of construction and engineering. Using all sorts of different materials we're going to test how big and how strong our creations are.

PJ'S AND PANCAKES* Tues 29 June



Roll out of bed and head over to the holiday program in your PJ's. Then we're cooking and getting creative with custom designed pancakes.

COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW Wed 30 June



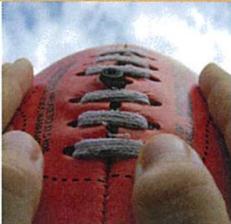
Today is all about colour. From art and craft activities to cooking and games. We explore all the colours of the rainbow.

MOVIES Thurs 1 July



Lights, camera, action! Sit back and relax watching the latest new release film at the local cinema.

AFL MAX Fri 2 July



Come and be educated, activated and motivated to become more physically active, eat nutritious foods and develop a healthy mind whilst having fun with their friends.

WEEK 2 5 - 9 JULY

DRUMMING WORKSHOP Mon 5 July



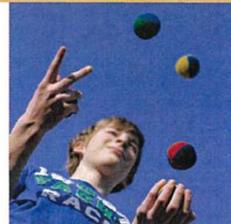
Get active on the drums with DTM Education for an interactive percussion activity taking the children through rhythm and melody using drums and percussion.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY* Tues 6 July



It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas! We'll be making decorations for the tree, stockings to hang and yummy Christmas goodies to eat.

CIRCUS & PARKOUR Wed 7 July



Improve strength, agility, balance and coordination as you learn to traverse obstacles in our parkour workshop presented by Castlemaine Circus. Then we're heading to the Botanical Gardens for lunch.

ARTY PARTY Thurs 8 July



Get creative with messy art projects you can take home. Use recycled and natural materials, clay, paint, paper, photos and more to create your master piece for our art gallery.

PARTY DAY* Fri 9 July



It's party time! Come along and celebrate the last day of the holidays with heaps of fun games, activities and yummy food!

\$86 per day - Bookings can be made through your My Family Lounge account. *Please advise us of any dietary requirements.
What to bring: Warm hat and coat, drink bottle, lunch, snacks.

CASTLEMAINE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Campbells Creek Primary School | 129 Main Road Campbells Creek VIC 3451
 p: 0499 983 828 | e: castlemaine@ymca.org.au | w: childrensprogram.ymca.org.au





CATHOLIC PARISH OF CASTLEMAINE

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

SUNDAY 6th JUNE 2021—Year B

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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

Parish Priest: Rev Fr. Wahid Riad

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

Web: www.stmaryscastlemaine.org.au

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

Today's Readings

Exodus 24:3-8

Hebrews 9:11-15

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Responsorial Psalm

I will take the cup of salvation

And call on the name of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

whoever eats this bread will live for ever

Alleluia!

Next Sunday Readings

Ezekiel 17:22-24

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Mark 4:26-34

CONTACT DETAILS

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St Mary's

Primary School

Principal: Ben Shields

Phone: (03) 5472 2270

Parish Secretary

Sarah Kate Kenny

9-5pm Wednesday and Thursdays

Phone: (03) 5472 1900

Baptisms, Marriages

Pastoral Care of the Sick

For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments, please contact the Parish Priest.

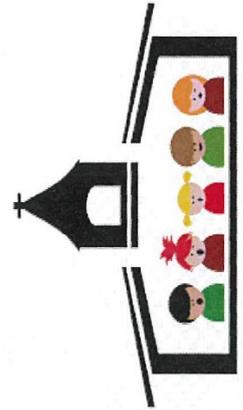
St Brigid's Hall

Bookings for St. Brigid's Hall are to be made through Elaine Lacey on :- 0448 009 945.

St Mary's Hall

Bookings for St. Mary's Hall are to be made through Parish Office on :- 5472-1900

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



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

Mass: Maldon 11.00am.

Friday

Mass: Castlemaine 9.15am

Second Sunday of the Month

Mass: Newstead 6.00pm

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it"
Mark 14:23

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself up for us, completely for our salvation. He offers us the same chance to drink from His cup. In the bread and wine we meet Christ personally. If we follow Him, drinking from His cup means our own self-sacrifice, using all of our gifts for the benefit of others and to do His work on earth

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful Guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

Amen

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths: John Tolley

Anniversaries:

Please pray also for all those who are sick and suffering serious illness, and their families and loved ones who care for them. If you would like prayers for the sick included in the Masses please give the names to the office or Fr. Wahid.

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you and every blessing for your contributions last weekend

1st Collection—Presbytery:	\$	\$1000
Weekly Target:	\$	\$2000
2nd Collection:- Parish	\$	
Weekly Target	\$	

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMME

To contribute to our Thanksgiving by direct Debit, out 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

Please out your surname or envelope number as a reference. Thankyou

DISCUSSION GROUP

Next meeting will be on Thursday 10th June at 7pm in the Buckley room. All very welcome to attend

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Anniversary and Birthday Wishes for all who are celebrating a birthday or wedding anniversary in June, especially Margaret Lyons who is celebrating a very special birthday this year. Many Blessings to you all on your special day

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

WINTER APEAL

SVDP will be having their winter appeal during the month of June. Any donations of warm, clean blankets or nonperishable food would be much appreciated. Please leave in the baskets around the church. Thank you.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

St. Vincent de Paul would like to invite all Parishioners to breakfast on **Friday 11th June**, in the Buckley room, after Mass to say thank you for all your ongoing support. All welcome.

CHARISMATIC

HEALING MASS

A powerful Mass of healing and renewal in the Holy Spirit—

a current of grace for our time, on

Wednesday 16th June at 7:30pm

in St. Mary's Church. All Welcome.

MASSES OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

On this great weekend of the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we will have the healing sacrament of the Anointing of the sick at all the Masses. Everyone is welcome.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

First Communion: Commitment Mass:

Sunday 25th July, 10.30am

First Communion preparation evening:

Wednesday 4th August 7 pm school

First Communion Sacrament:

Sunday 29th August, 10.30

Confirmation Commitment Mass:

Sunday 10th October, 10.30

Confirmation Preparation Evening:

Wednesday 20th October 7pm

Confirmation Sacrament:

Sunday 14th November, 10.30

(Please see Fr. if your child does not attend St Mary's school)

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

JUNE 13th 2021

6:00PM

Reader:

Ann Coffey

Ext Min Com:

Marie McCallum

Sacristan:

Liz Carthew

8:30AM

Reader:

As Arranged

Ext Min Com:

As Arranged

6:00PM

Reader:

Tindi Munyawara

Ext Min Com:

Betty Morris

Sacristan:

Christine Adams

GENTLE REMINDER TO SIGN IN?

A gentle reminder when visiting any Church premises for longer than 15 minutes please sign in using the QR codes or write your name in the book . Unfortunately, failure to do so could result in the Catholic Parish of Castlemaine being fined.

PARISH DIARY

Tuesday—June 8th

- 4:30pm—Legion of Mary
- 6:00pm - Communion Service St Mary's

Wednesday- June 9th

- 9:15—Communion Service & Rosary St Mary's

Thursday - June 10th

- 11:00am- Communion Service St Brigid's
- 7pm— Discussion Group in Buckley room

Friday - June 11th

- 9:15 am—Mass & Adoration
- 10:00am Breakfast in the Buckley room
- Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



Please be aware that you must wear a face mask at Mass and numbers in attendance are restricted to 50, during restrictions.

GARABANDAL MEETING

Meeting : 7:30pm—9:00pm at 19A Duke St.
Enquiries: Trish , Ph: 0419 873 693

Monday: 07th June

05 July	04 October
02 August	01 November
06 September	06 December
No meeting in January	

THE FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED

HEART OF JESUS

A special Mass to celebrate this great feast will be on **Friday 11th June at 9:15 am**, in St. Mary's Church, Castlemaine. All Welcome.

CATHOLIC MISSION

Our annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal will be this weekend, the **5th & 6th June**. Please support the wonderful work Catholic Mission do around the world.