



Newsletter

Term 1, Issue 9

Thursday April 4th, 2019

TERM DATES

April		May	Thrive Online Cyber Safety Incursion (Gr3-6)
Friday, 5th	Last day of Term 1 - Dress Up Day 2:30 finish - (Buses will run to this early finish) Easter Bonnet Parade - 12:30 followed by Easter Egg Raffle Fish & Chips Lunch supplied \$2.00 charge per student	Monday, 6th	
		Tuesday, 7th 7:00pm	Sacrament of First Reconciliation
Tuesday, 23rd	Term 2 Resumes	Tuesday, 14th Wednesday, 15th Thursday, 16th Friday, 17th Monday, 20th Tuesday, 21st Wednesday, 22nd Thursday, 23rd Friday, 24th	NAPLAN Testing
Thursday, 25th	ANZAC Day - Public Holiday ANZAC March - Town Hall 8:45am	Friday, 17th	Walk Safely to School Day



Our School Vision

We are an empowered and sustainable learning community, centred in faith and united in our respect and responsibility for all of creation; we strive for excellence; actively living, learning, caring and growing together.



We give thanks for life's adventure, for our food,
our safety and shelter.
We give thanks for health, grace, peace, for-
giveness, joy and opportunity.
We give thanks for all those in our lives who sup-
port us to be the best we can be.
We give thanks for our parents, teachers and
friends.
We give thanks for our beautiful country and for all
that nature provides.



Congratulations to the following students:

Respectful Award: Georgia Morelli, Adeeng Yai, Amelia Lizzul

Responsible Award: Sebastian Salvatore

Resilient Award: Bianca Lawrence, Lucy Lewis

Principal Award: Max Lenon, Ngolueth Nyok

Wonder Award: Adam Lagman

Believe Award: Jufour Nyok, Evie Morse

Persevere Award: Katiana Blake-Zboril, Billy Lister, Xavier Tolevski

Create Award: Casey Marston, Quinn McMahon, Dylan Pozar

Happy Birthday to the following children who have their birthday in April:

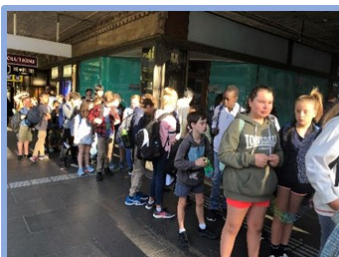
**Riley Boyd, Charlie McShanag, Evie Nuttall, Thomas Mulholland and
Felix Keane.**



Dear Families, Parishioners and Friends,

Our school community enjoys many and varied events and activities as we believe that they create rich learning opportunities for our children. Our Year 4-6 camp as well as our P-3 on campus camp experiences allowed our children further opportunity to experience diversity and living in a different context.

We have been blessed with wonderful weather that has allowed our students, school and community to truly enjoy every activity and event that has occurred. There's a lovely story that tells of how the laughter, joy and experiences of summer are captured in the green leaves of trees, only to be revealed in the blush of autumn leaves during autumn. The story is a story about Lent, a time when we reflect, a time to allow our colours to show, to give thanks for our blessings, to allow the foliage to fall allowing new growth to occur.



Indeed, the different activities we participated in throughout our camps were embraced by our children and they have reflected on these experiences where they have communicated pride in their accomplishments. Our children learned more about themselves through facing what they found challenging and persisting until they improved.



Our ice-skating experience was one of those great opportunities to learn what an open mind, learning from others and exercising resilience and persistence can achieve. We also delighted in being relaxed and present with each other, relishing in the joy of appreciating the arts, our history and the sense of belonging that going away together, living together, sharing meals and visiting places like the museum, aquarium, The Eureka Tower and city life offers.



Whilst the Year 4-6 students were engaging in their urban camp the prep to year 3 children enjoyed local excursions where they learned about our towns history as well as cooking their lunches and creating. They planted garlic, learned how to churn butter and shared their meals together.

All of the teachers were inspired by the growth mindset our children exercised. They were a joy to be with and cooperated as a respectful, responsible, resilient and caring community. Our teachers offered outstanding support to our children and I commend them on their dedication, hard work and care as well as their thorough organisation of the camp programs. We as a staff are mindful of modelling through our relationships and work at St. Mary's the dispositions, values and qualities we promote in our vision and mission.



Lenten Celebrations

Leading up to Easter Fr. Wahid welcomes you all to take part in the Lenten celebrations as outlined in the parish bulletin. Easter Sunday is our churches most significant celebration of the year. Fr. Wahid would love to see you benefit from the services offered.



Inquiry Learning at St. Mary's



Last Friday we worked with CEM staff to continue our work on developing a conceptual approach to Integrated Curriculum. Together we engaged with the Victorian Curriculum and Horizons of Hope document for a whole-school approach to inquiry. We have started to develop a *conceptual framework* that can be used to direct the selection of units in Integrated Inquiry.

Key elements of a quality Inquiry context :

- assume integrated units are a **vehicle** for allowing students to apply new knowledge to past knowledge as students integrate their thinking around the bigger ideas that transfer through time and across cultures.
- link with significant concepts.
- promote the development of skills and dispositions.
- connect with student's interests/lives/needs.
- have the scope to link to system level standards and curricular.
- generate opportunities for cross curricular connections.
- invite students to participate in designing their learning journey.
- easily involve the community/experts and allow participation beyond school.



We hope that your children have been sharing their learnings with you in the areas of history which is their current concept.



I have enjoyed visiting the classrooms and observing the level of engagement in their learning. We are using thought provoking provocations to spark curiosity and critical thinking. We had a most productive day of learning last Friday as a staff. The full day enabled us to form a solid base and shared approach to our inquiry planning with the view to provide effective learning opportunities.



WINTER UNIFORM

Students at St. Mary's are required to wear a formal compulsory identifying uniform, which distinguishes them as a member of the school. The uniform provides an opportunity for the students to display pride not only in themselves but in their membership of the school. During Term 2 & 3, winter uniform is to be worn. (Please note that there is a transition period of two weeks at the start of Term 2 and at the end of Term 3 that takes into consideration the changing of the seasons.) All

students should be dressed in the winter uniform taking into consideration the transition from the old to the new uniform. Details of our winter uniform are on our school website and in our school hand-book.

APPLICATION OF THE DRESS CODE

- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms are prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colours (e.g. green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g. spikes or mohawk) are not permitted.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- The only headwear that is acceptable is Sun smart hats consistent with our Sun Smart policy or the school beanie.
- Hair that is longer than shoulder length is to be worn tied back as a health and safety measure. Ribbons, clips, bands and 'scrunchies' are to be of navy colour.
- The School Advisory Committee requires the Principal to be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Behaviour Policy
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms for families experiencing economic hardship through consultation with the Principal.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must discuss this directly with the Principal.

St. Mary's Student Behaviour Policy

Our school is a community that exemplifies the gospel values of love, forgiveness, justice and truth. Our school community recognises that everyone has the right to be respected, to feel safe and be safe and, in turn, our school community acknowledges each member's own obligation to behave responsibly.

Our Student Behaviour Policy is intended to guide our school's actions. It is being developed in consultation with the school community and seeks to prioritise respectful relationships and safety in response to the rights and needs of all members of the school community.



A safe and supportive environment respects the rights of all students to learn, the rights of all teachers to teach and the rights of all members of the school community to be safe.

Every person at the school has a right to feel safe, to be happy and to learn. Therefore, our school aims:

- to promote the values of honesty, fairness and respect for others;
- to acknowledge the worth of all members of the community and their right to work and learn in a positive environment;
- to maintain good order and harmony;
- to affirm cooperation as well as responsible independence in learning; and
- to foster self-discipline and to develop responsibility for one's own behaviour.

Guiding Principles

St. Mary's Primary School strives to build a safe and positive school environment that is guided by Gospel values and honours the dignity of the individual, the family and the school. The development and promotion of high-quality relationships are responsibilities shared by all members of the school community. Teachers, students, families, parish members and the wider community contribute to and share in the responsibility to foster life-affirming relationships that recognise and support the inherent dignity and safety of each person. Members of the school community are expected to contribute to the mission and vision of the school and to understand their rights and acknowledge their obligation to behave responsibly.

As a provider of Catholic education, the school Principal will take into account the need for the school community to represent and conform with the doctrines, beliefs and principles of the Catholic faith when making decisions regarding matters of school administration, including enrolment. Pupils and families who are members of other faiths are warmly welcomed at our school. However, the school reserves its right to exercise its administrative discretion in appropriate circumstances, where it is necessary to do so to avoid injury to the religious sensitivities of the Catholic school community. It is vitally important that the school is made aware of each child's individual circumstances insofar as these may impact upon his or her physical, functional, emotional or educational needs, particularly where the school is required to provide additional support to the child.

Shared Behaviour Expectations

St. Mary's recognises the importance of providing clear guidance and expectations which are all applicable to all members of the school community. The table below sets out the School's expectations for its students, parents and staff.

Students are expected to:

1. take responsibility for their learning and have high expectations in themselves that they can learn.
2. model the School's core values of respect, responsibility & resilience.
3. take responsibility for their own behaviour and the impact of their behaviour on others.
4. comply with this Policy and work with teachers and parents in developing strategies to improve outcomes to:
 - a. obey all reasonable requests of staff;
 - b. respect the rights of others to be safe and learn; and
 - c. respect the property of others.

Parents/Carers are expected to:

1. have high expectations of their child's behaviour and have an understanding of the School's behavioural expectations.
2. communicate with the School in regards to their child's circumstances.
3. co-operate with the School by assisting in the development and enforcement of strategies to address individual needs.
4. provide complete, accurate and up to date information when completing an enrolment form and supply the School, prior to enrolment, with any additional information as may be requested, including copies of documents such as medical/specialist reports (where relevant to the child's schooling), reports from previous schools, court orders or parenting agreements.
5. comply with the school's behaviour aims and the school's Code of Conduct and to support the school in upholding prescribed standards of dress, appearance and behaviour, in accordance with the terms of your child's enrolment at the School.
6. acknowledge and understand that unacceptable behaviour by a child, or repeated behaviour by a parent or guardian that, in the school's view, is unacceptable and damaging to the partnership between parent/guardian and school, may result in suspension or termination of the child's enrolment.

Principal/Teachers & Staff will:

1. promote positive reinforcement and enhance student self-esteem by having a planned approach for recognising and responding to appropriate behaviour.
2. deliver an inclusive and comprehensive curriculum which promotes positive behaviours and emphasises the well-being of every child focusing on pro-social behaviours.
3. employ whole school and classroom practices to establish a climate in which appropriate behaviour is the norm for all students and focus on the implementation of preventative and early intervention strategies to deal with attendance and behavioural issues.
4. consistently apply this Policy through a shared collegiate understanding and only exclude students in extreme circumstances.
5. provide professional development for all staff to enable them to develop and maintain positive relationships with their students.
6. recognise that for some students, additional support may be needed in the form of staged responses and staff are committed to working with families to reintegrate students in an educational setting after exclusion.

If you have any questions about this policy or suggestions to add to this policy, please email me on principal@smcastlemaine.catholic.edu.au

Tips on Promoting Positive Behaviour

Behaviour that hurts others or yourself is anti-social **behaviour**.

Behaviour that helps you or others without hurting others is pro-social behaviour.

Common excuses include:

- "S/he did not get enough sleep".
- "S/he is bored".
- "S/he is gifted. S/he needs to be challenged more."
- "Boys will be boys."
- "I do not know why s/he does that."
- "Your child is bothering my child"
- "S/he has ADD."



These excuses only enable a child to repeat bad behaviour without consequences. A child usually exhibits a bad behaviour at an early age. Parents who make excuses for their child's bad behaviour teach their child to use those same excuses. As a result, the child continues this bad behaviour, and parents accept it. However, teachers, friends, employers and peers do not accept it. Sooner or later, the child suffers hurt, regret and loneliness. If you are a parent who makes excuses every time your child misbehaves – make the shift to using these instances as an opportunity to teach positive behaviours. For the sake of your child, take action to change the bad behaviour. Give your child positive skills to handle problems and emotions.

- Expect him/her to behave in a positive manner.
- State what you expect. "You can stand in line without pushing or shoving."
- Tell him/her what will happen if s/he misbehaves. Ask him/her to repeat what you have said so you know s/he understands.
- Focus on one problem behaviour at a time. Teach and practice skills to make positive change. Use consistent words and actions as you help his/her use her new skills.
- Choose a new problem behaviour to work on after s/he masters each skill.
- Praise him/her when s/he shows good behaviour.
- Tell his/her teachers that you are working on positive behaviour changes.
- Model good behaviour. Do not tell him/her to do or say something while you do the opposite.

For other tips on teaching positive behaviour skills, log onto www.parenthelpline.org and read the SkillTime and SchoolTime booklets.

Our annual Easter Raffle is being drawn tomorrow!

We have a donation basket in the hallway, for your quick convenience. Raffle tickets have been sent home and they are due back today, April 4th. The P&F are wrapping the prizes in the morning and the raffle will be drawn on April 5th at 12.45 pm. We are looking forward to seeing you at our Easter Bonnet Parade and lunch tomorrow.

School will finish at 2.30pm.



Immersion Dress Up Day Friday April 5th & Easter bonnet Parade

Tomorrow on Friday April 5th we have our Easter Bonnet Parade at 12.30 followed by the Easter Raffle. Bonnets have been made at school. We will also be having an immersion day for our inquiry units. This will involve students in grade 4 – 6 applying for a role in Egyptian society and dressing as an Egyptian person, such as farmer, scribe, vizier etc. Prep to grade 3 can dress as something from Australian history, such as a convict, bushranger, indigenous leader, native animal etc. Costumes are to be made from items at home, not bought, and it does not have to be a full costume. If your child does not wish to dress up they can wear Friday school uniform.



Fish & Chip Lunch



The P&F are organising a fish and chip lunch from 1pm tomorrow. Children are asked to bring \$2.00 to contribute to the cost as well as a plate to put their fish and chips in. You are welcome to bring along your lunch and picnic with us outside if the weather is nice. Children are free to go home after this. School officially finishes at 2.30 on this final day of term 1.

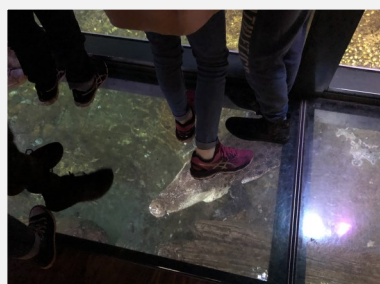
May you have the opportunity to cherish the art of life with family and friends over this term break. I hope that you have some fun, laugh and enjoy many moments that will refresh and nourish you. Thank you for your



ongoing support of our vibrant school. We look forward to seeing you again next term on Tuesday April 23rd.
kind regards,
Bronwyn Phillips,
Principal.



SCHOOL CAMP







P/1/2/3 CAMP



CALENDAR:

Find the P&F private group on Facebook – “Ladies of St Mary’s PS”

- Friday 5th April** – Easter raffle, bonnet parade & Fish n chip lunch - **\$2.00 each child**
- Friday, 3rd May** – Ladies Night - Venue to be advised
- Thursday 9th May** – P&F Meeting 9.15am staffroom, all welcome
- Friday 14th June** – Dads Night, Essendon vs Hawthorn, Buckley Room
- Saturday 17th Sunday 18th August** – Mens Alive weekend @ Parish Room
- Wednesday 18th September** – Twilight Sports & Food truck night, TBA
- Sunday 27th October** – St Mary’s SpringFest & Long Lunch



Terracycle Colgate Community Challenge!

We have joined the Colgate Challenge again this year! Start collecting your waste including toothbrushes, packaging & containers of any brand. Our school will gain points for each load of waste and go in draw to win garden prizes for our school!

See more information
on next page!

HELP NEEDED!

Last day of term help
needed to wrap
Easter Hampers!

If you can help
please be in the
library at 9am on
Friday 5th April.

Thank you!

Easter Egg Donations

are needed for our annual
Easter Egg Raffle!

Egg donations & Easter gifts
for hampers can be left in a
basket at reception!



Last Day of Term Easter Celebrations! Friday 5th April

Fish n Chip lunch **\$2** per child
(give to teacher on day)

Easter Raffle, Bonnet Parade & a visit
by the Easter Bunny!



St Vincent de Paul Coin Drive!

A collection tin will be
located in the
foyer all year!

Food Bank

St Mary’s is continuing
its food bank to help
families in need within
the school community.
If you would like to be
on the contact list to
make emergency meals
please pass your name
and contact details onto
Kari Aldridge (mob
0402076340)

St Vincents Fashion Parade & Mothers Day Lunch

Date to be advised
If you can assist on the day or
would like to be a model in
the parade please let Kari
know on 0402-076-340.

Dads Night! **Friday 14th June** **7pm**

Essendon vs Hawthorn
A night just for the dads
to enjoy a catch up with
nibbles and BYO drinks in
the Buckley Room!

Save the Date!

**St Mary’s SpringFest &
Long Lunch**
Sunday October 27th
12.30pm



More information to follow.

Council is proudly supporting This Girl Can - Victoria to help women of all ages active.

Make the most of free and low-cost activities and events around the shire this April such as bush walking, rock climbing, tai-chi, laughter yoga, dance, mountain biking and more.

Find out more details on Council's Facebook page @MountAlexanderShire or www.mountalexander.vic.gov.au/ThisGirlCan



 PROUDLY RUN BY LOCAL POLICE AND VOLUNTEERS

Blue Light

5TH APRIL

CASTLEMAINE BLUE LIGHT DISCO

4-6PM | PRIMARY AGE | \$6 ENTRY

CASTLEMAINE THEATRE ROYALE
CONTACT: CASEYVBELL@GMAIL.COM

 CASTLEMAINE BLUE LIGHT DISCO
PLEASE ASK YOUR PARENTS TO LIKE THE PAGE IF YOU ARE

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY AVAILABLE: BLUELIGHT.ORG.AU/CONDITIONS_OF_ENTRY

Want to help your kids?

A young person you know may be experiencing a mental health or substance abuse problem.



Come along to **Youth Mental Health First Aid training** where you'll learn:

- > The difference between typical child and adolescent development and a developing mental health problem
- > How to have open conversations with young people
- > Signs and symptoms of possible mental health problems
- > Where to seek further help.

Over four evening sessions you'll learn all this, receive take-home resources, meet other parents and enjoy a free meal.

WHAT:	Youth Mental Health First Aid Training
WHEN:	5.00pm to 8.30pm Thursday evenings 2, 9, 16 & 23 May
WHERE:	Civic Centre cnr Lloyd and Lyttleton streets, Castlemaine
COST:	\$50
BOOK:	https://mountalexandershiroyouth.com.au/training
CONTACT:	Shannon Lacy 0429 369 894 s.lacy@mountalexander.vic.gov.au



Hello School Holidays



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Open 8am - 6pm
April 2019

**Bendigo
Castlemaine
Echuca Moama
Kangaroo Flat**



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AGES 7-15

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EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2019

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TUESDAY 9TH APRIL-FRIDAY 12TH APRIL
FROM 8:45AM - 4:30 PM
MZ STUDIO
20 CAMPBELL STREET
CASTLEMAINE
CONTACT SAS: 0402 087 949



Singapore Maths
A New Way Of Thinking About and Teaching Maths
DAYLESFORD
Tuesday 2nd April 2019

Singapore Maths: A New Way Of Thinking About And Teaching Maths
Date: Tuesday 2nd April 2019
Time: 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Location: The Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre, 13 Camp St, Daylesford, VIC, Australia
Presenter: Nathalie Parry
Member: \$25.00 Non-member: \$40.00
TICKETS: <https://speld.secure.force.com/apex/EventDetails?id=a170100000j1kbwQAA>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/389684591610770/>

This workshop provides an overview of the approach used with Singapore Maths and the maths difficulties caused by specific learning difficulties.

Every child can develop an understanding and love of maths with the right kind of teaching and support. Children learn best when practical materials and images are used to develop conceptual understanding and fluency in mathematics. Singapore Math promotes the Concrete-Pictorial-Abstract (C-P-A) approach to support teaching and learning. Parents can assist children in this important aspect of learning using the CPA approach.

This workshop will provide you with Ideas for teaching either at home or in the classroom

1. CPA approach
2. Number bonds
3. Bar Modelling
4. Problem Solving

The Singapore Math® method is a highly effective teaching approach based on research of math mastery in Singapore, which consistently ranks at the top in international math testing. The intentional progression of concepts in the Singapore math approach instills a deep understanding of mathematics. An attitude that math is important and approachable is also essential. Students perform at a higher level when their potential for understanding and success is assumed. As a result of a monumental change that took place in 1982 within the Singaporean education system, today Singapore students are ranked amongst the highest in the world in mathematics.

For more information on The Singapore Math® method visit:
https://www.singaporemath.com/Singapore_Math_s/331.htm
or
http://www.singaporemathematics.com.au/why_choose_sam/thinking_maths/

Presenter: Nathalie Parry
Presenter Bio: Nathalie Parry has specialist teaching qualifications and experience in the areas of learning difficulties, academic underachievement, intervention and individual differences in literacy and numeracy learning. Improves organisational skills and literacy and numeracy outcomes for children, youth and adults who learn differently (preschool to tertiary). Masters of Education (Specific Learning Difficulties) from the University of Melbourne.

JUNIOR RANGERS

RANGER TALKS & ADVENTURES

Parks Victoria Healthy Parks Healthy People



Central Victorian Free Junior Ranger Activities 8 April – 20 April 2019

DATE	TIME	DETAILS
8 April 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	All Fired Up – Greater Bendigo National Park – One Tree Hill. Come and learn about how fire is managed in our parks to keep them healthy... and to keep us safe!
9 April 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	Gold Rush Adventure – Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park. Come and discover the history of Forest Creek Historical Gold Diggings while trying your luck at gold panning.
11 April 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	All Fired Up – Mount Alexander Regional Park. Come and learn about how fire is managed in our parks to keep them healthy... and to keep us safe!
12 April 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	Bush Detective – Pink Cliffs Geological Reserve - Heathcote. The Pink Cliffs are home to an amazing array of plants and animals. Become a bush detective and discover what lives in this beautiful landscape.
16 April 2019	9.30am – 11.30am	Catch a Carp – Huntly Streamside Reserve. Come and help keep our waterways clean and healthy by learning how to catch a carp.
17 April 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	All About Ceremony – English Bridge Streamside Reserve- Rocky Crossing. This activity is all about ceremony! Come and learn about the importance of smoking ceremonies, language and ochre painting.
18 April 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	The Very Big Bushwalk – Eureka Reef - Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park. Ever wanted to try a family bushwalk but don't know where to start or where to go? Try coming alone to The Very Big Bushwalk.
20 January 2019	10.00am – 11.00am	Mini Beasts – Discover a bug's world in the major creek. Get to know some tiny critters and learn what they mean to our environment.

All Junior Ranger activities are free, and are suitable for children aged 6-12 years, must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Bookings are essential, and open 2 weeks before the school holidays. Children should bring a hat, drink, sunscreen, closed in shoes and wear clothing suitable for the activity and weather.
Please visit www.juniorrangers.com.au

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KID'S HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
April 8 - April 20 2019

GLASS ARTS, CRAFTS & FUN

WEEK 1	WEEK 2
Mon, 08 Apr 10am-12pm... Fairy/Mystical Creature Doors! \$30..... Ages 9+ <i>Make an Outdoor Door to Another World!</i>	Mon, 15 Apr 10am-12pm Polymer Clay Badge Set \$30..... Ages 7+ <i>Bake yourself some wearable art.</i>
Tue, 09 Apr 10am-12pm Fused Glass Platters \$30..... Ages 7+ <i>Make your own fused glass homewares</i>	Tue, 16 Apr 10am-12pm Quilled Initials \$30..... Ages 9+ <i>Use paper rolling techniques to make an artwork.</i>
Tue, 09 Apr 1pm-3pm Moving meets Drawing \$30..... Ages 5 - 7 <i>Loosen up your Drawing Body</i>	Tue, 16 Apr 1pm-3pm Moving meets Drawing \$30..... Ages 8 - 12 <i>Loosen up your Drawing Body</i>
Wed, 10 Apr 1pm-3pm Print Life's Inspiration \$30..... Ages 5-7 <i>Print with everyday objects</i>	Wed, 17 Apr 10am-12pm Pixelated Fused Glass Plaque \$30..... Ages 7+ <i>Make a Mine Craft inspired window hanging</i>
Thu, 11 Apr 10am-12pm Acrylic Pour Mantra \$30..... Ages 7+ <i>Pour your own Artwork</i>	Wed, 17 Apr 1pm-3pm Print Life's Inspiration \$30..... Ages 8-12 <i>Print with everyday objects</i>
Fri, 12 Apr 10am-12pm Copperfoil Light Catcher \$30..... Ages 9+ <i>Make your own Glass Decoration</i>	Thu, 18 Apr 10am-12:30pm Eco-Printing & Paper Making \$30..... Ages 9+ <i>Dye paper with natural materials</i>

Bookings and minimum numbers required for activities to run. All sessions held at The Old Auction House, 52-56 Mollison St, Kyneton

IT'S OUR 2ND BIRTHDAY
11AM - 2PM
CRAFT ACTIVITIES & CAKE

Full details and bookings via theoldauctionhouse.com.au

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

•COMMUNAL CELEBRATIONS OF RECONCILIATION

<u>St Mary's:</u>	Tuesday 9 th April	6.00pm
<u>St Brigid's:</u>	Thursday 11 th April	6.00pm

•PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

<u>St Mary's:</u>	Saturday 13 th April	6.00pm
	Sunday 14 th April	10.30am
<u>St Brigid's:</u>	Sunday 14 th April	8.30am
<u>St Anne's (Newstead):</u>	Sunday 14 th April	6.00pm

•HOLY THURSDAY 18th April

<u>St Mary's:</u>	Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration until	7.30pm, 11.00pm
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•GOOD FRIDAY 19th April

<u>Castlemaine:</u>	Castlemaine Way of the Cross starting at St Mary's Church	10.30am
<u>Maldon:</u>	Ecumenical Way of the Cross, Beehive Chimney	10.30am
<u>St Mary's:</u>	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	3.00pm

•EASTER VIGIL: SATURDAY 20th April

<u>St Mary's:</u>	Mass	7.30pm
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•EASTER SUNDAY 21st April

<u>St Brigid's:</u>	Mass	8.30am
<u>St Mary's:</u>	Mass	10.30am



Holy Week



CATHOLIC PARISH OF CASTLEMAINE

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

SUNDAY 31st March 2019 – Year C
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
Presbytery: 76 Hargraves Street, CASTLEMAINE, 3450
Postal Address: PO Box 151, CASTLEMAINE, VIC, 3450

Phone: (03) 5472 1900
Email: castlemaine@cam.org.au
Web: <http://stmaryscastlemaine.com>

Parish Priest: Rev Fr. Wahid Riad

CONTACT DETAILS

PARISH PRIEST
Rev Wahid Riad PP
Phone: (03) 5472 1900
Mobile: 0419 511 064

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
Principal: Bronwyn Phillips
Phone: (03) 5472 2270

Parish Office Manager
Doreen Heagney
Mon: 12-4pm, Wed: 10-4pm,
Thurs: 10.30-3.30pm.
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 5475-2481.

ST.MARY'S HALL – Bookings for
St.Mary's Hall are to be made through
the Parish Office on 5472-1900.

**THE CATHOLIC PARISH
OF CASTLEMAINE IS COMMITTED
TO THE SAFETY, WELLBEING AND
DIGNITY OF ALL CHILDREN AND
VULNERABLE ADULTS.**

Stations of The Cross
A very powerful and moving practice
during the season of Lent. All welcome to
unite with Jesus in the Way of the Cross.
Fridays after 9.15am Mass
at St Mary's.

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC

The March issue is now available:
"Women/Faith". \$4 a copy.

WORSHIP TIMETABLE

Saturday
Reconciliation Castlemaine 5.15pm
Vigil Mass: Castlemaine 6.00pm

Sunday
Reconciliation: Maldon 8.15am
Mass: Maldon 8.30am
Mass: Castlemaine 10.30am

Tuesday
Mass: Castlemaine 6.00pm

Wednesday
Mass: Castlemaine 9.15am

Thursday
Mass: Maldon 6.00pm.

Friday
Mass: Castlemaine 9.15am
Followed by Stations of The Cross.

Second Sunday of the Month
Mass: Newstead 6.00pm

Fourth Sunday of the Month
Mass: Sandon 6.00pm

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"No longer was there manna for the
Israelites, who that year ate of the
yield of the land of Canaan." –
Joshua 5:12

Over the forty years that the
Israelites journeyed through the
desert, God provided them with
manna to eat.

As soon as they were able to enjoy
the fruits of the Promised Land
the manna ceased.

Likewise, God's blessings to us may
change over the years but it is
important to trust that God
will always provide us with
all that we need.

Next Sunday readings:

Isaiah 43: 16-21
Philippians 3: 8-14
John 8: 1-11

Today's readings:

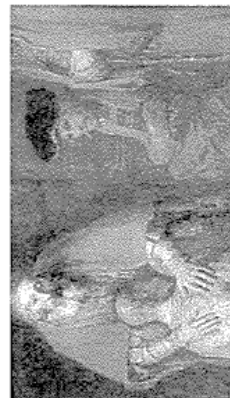
Joshua 5: 9-12
2 Corinthians 5: 17-21
Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see the goodness
of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you,
Lord Jesus Christ!
I will rise and go to my
Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against
heaven and against you.
Praise and honour to you,
Lord Jesus Christ!



Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in
Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of
the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one
another and to recognize Jesus, our
companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories and to
speak boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are
saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled
future, that we may live the joy of the
Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the
journey from age to age. AMEN.*

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St. Mary McKillop, pray for us.*

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths:

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 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:	\$1082
2nd Collection – Parish:	\$818
Direct Debit & Credit cards:	\$85
Pledged Amount:	\$1835

BAPTISM AT MALDON

Congratulations and welcome to God's Family in the Baptism of *Ari Fitzpatrick* this weekend at Maldon. Every Blessing to his parents and Godparents.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

ENVELOPES

Your new Stewardship Envelopes is now available for collection. Envelopes are in Alphabetical order.

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR ENVELOPES TODAY.

We have spare sets of Envelopes – if you would like to contribute, please contact the Parish office on 5472-1900.

GARABANDAL MEETING

Our next meeting is on Monday 1st April at 7.30pm at 19A Duke street, Castlemaine. Enquiries: Trish Bowles on 5472-2702.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All welcome to unite with Jesus in the Way of the Cross on Fridays after 9.15am Mass. All welcome.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2019

FIRST RECONCILIATION

(For students in Grade 3)

•Sacrament: Tuesday 7th May at 7.00pm

Registrations forms for Sacraments are available from the Parish Office. A donation of \$50 to cover costs of books, medals & certificates. Please contact the Parish office on 5472-1900.

Classes for First Reconciliation

Preparation

Classes for 1st Reconciliation are on Mondays at 4.30pm in the Buckley Room. All children not attending St Mary's school in Grade 3 or higher are welcome to attend and register at the Parish Office.

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

COMMUNAL CELEBRATIONS OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's: Tuesday 9th April 6.00pm

St Brigid's: Thursday 11th April 6.00pm

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

St Mary's: Saturday 13th April 6.00pm

Sunday 14th April 10.30am

St Brigid's: Sunday 14th April 8.30am

St Anne's: Sunday 14th April 6.00pm

HOLY THURSDAY 18th April

St Mary's: Mass of the Lord's Supper

7.30pm, followed by Adoration until 11.00pm.

GOOD FRIDAY 19th April

Castlemaine: Castlemaine Way of the Cross, starting at St Mary's 10.30am

Maldon: Ecumenical Way of the Cross

10.30am, Beehive Chimney

St Mary's: Celebration of the Lord's

Passion 3.00pm

EASTER VIGIL Saturday 20th April

St Mary's: Mass 7.30pm

EASTER Sunday 21st April

St Brigid's: Mass 8.30am

St Mary's: Mass 10.30am

PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Tuesday 2nd April

4.30pm: Legion of Mary, Buckley room

6.00pm: Mass, St Mary's

7.00pm: Lenten Programme, Buckley room

Wednesday 3rd April

9.15am: Mass & Rosary, St Mary's

11.00am: Mass at Thompson House

7.00pm: Home Mass

Thursday 4th April

6.00pm: Mass, St Brigid's

7.30pm: RCIA – Buckley room

Friday 5th April

9.15am: Mass of Anointing of the Sick & stations of the Cross, St Mary's

Saturday 6th April

10.00am: Rosary at the Grotto

Mass at Thompson House

Our next Mass is on Wednesday 3rd April at 11.00am. All welcome.

Home Mass

This month our Home Mass is at Patricia & Reg George's place – 5 Roderick street, Castlemaine -

Wednesday 3rd April at 7.00pm.

All welcome.

Masses of Anointing of the Sick

St Mary's: Friday 5th April

9.15am Mass

St Brigid's: Sunday 7th April

8.30am Mass

Rosary at the Grotto

Saturday 6th April at 10.00am

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

7th April 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

6.00pm

Reader: Tricia Barrett

Ext Min Com: Kathleen Tobin

Liz Carthew

Chris Turley

8.30am

Reader: Judy & Norm Madigan

Ext Min Com: Volunteer

10.30am

Reader: Victor Steiner

Ext Min Com: Christine Adams

Julie Farrell

Annie O'Shannessy

LINEN ROSTER

APRIL: Anne Applebee

FORMATION DAY

Our Parish is running a formation day on the essential part of our Mass; The Liturgy of the Word and the

Liturgy of the Eucharist.

We would like to invite all Readers and Extraordinary Ministers, and anybody else who is interested in learning more about our Mass, or who would like to be involved in one of these Ministries to the Workshop on Saturday 6th April at St Mary's Church from 10.30 – 3.30pm. In order for this workshop to go ahead we need at least 25 people to each session. If you could attend, please ring/text Juliet on 0422-344-907907 or see Fr Wahid.

LENTEN PROGRAMME

Our Lenten Programme is on Tuesdays at 7.00pm in the Buckley Room. Books are \$7 each and the theme is *Trust*. All welcome as we grow together during this Lenten period and prepare for the joy of Easter.