



Newsletter

Term 3, Issue 3

Thursday August 8th, 2019

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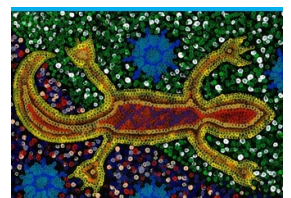
August Thursday, 8th	Assembly - 2:40pm - School Library	Thursday, 22nd	P & F Meeting - Staffroom 9:30am - <i>All welcome!</i> Assembly - 2:40pm School Library
Friday, 9th	Confirmation Retreat - Year 4's - 9:00am - 1:30pm	Friday, 23rd - Thursday, 29th	Book Fair Library - 8:30am
Sunday, 11th	First Holy Communion Sacramental Mass - 10:30am	Monday, 26th	School Closure Day Staff PD
Monday, 12th	Gr. 2/3 presenting Prayer - followed by a morning cuppa to welcome new families 8:50am - School Library	Friday, 30th	Father's Day Breakfast 7:30am - 9:00am
Thursday, 15th	Feast of Assumption - Whole School Mass 9:15am	September Tuesday, 3rd	Open Day - 9:00-11:00am
Saturday, 17th & Sunday, 18th	'Men Alive' Men's Weekend - Parish	Wednesday, 18th	Twilight Sports - 2:00pm
Sunday, 18th	Vision Portraits - P & F Fundraiser - St. Mary's School	Friday, 20th	End of Term 3 - 2:30pm Finish
Monday, 19th	Book Week Dress Up Day - Parade 9:00am	October Monday, 7th	Term 4 commences
Wednesday, 21st	Circus Day	Sunday, 13th	Confirmation Commitment Mass



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 acknowledge and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which we gather. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their spiritual connection to Country.



Congratulations to the following students:

Respectful Award: Madeleine Lane, Ryan Mulholland, Charlie Inskip

Responsible Award: Chase Hildebrand, Janae Gray

Resilient Award: Michael Ma, Jhon (Akul) Akul, Lachlan McMahon

Principal Award: Ailish Kennedy, Billy Lister, Gabby McCord

Wonder Award: Evie O'Sullivan, Evie Nuttall, Michael Ma,
Logan Browne-Kerr, Arjun Singh

Believe Award: Heidi Neugebauer, Charlie McShanag

Persevere Award: Cayden Burns, Riley Boyd

Create Award: Jufuor Nyok

School Captain Awards: Jufuor Nyok, Billy Lister, Gracie Drage

*Please keep in your prayers the McShanag family who
have lost Virginia, grandmother to Charlie in Prep.
We are thinking of them during this time.*



St. Mary McKillop Feast Day is
August 8th.



Heavenly Father, we Praise you for giving us the opportunity to learn and grow through your presence and love within our school community

We ask you to guide us on the right path for a successful future and give thanks that you are with us every step of the way.

Grant us the strength and humility to learn from our mistakes and bless those who help us to achieve, making sure that we are the best that we can be.

Help us to have love for one another, to have forgiveness in our hearts and to build kindness into every day.

We warmly welcome our new students who have joined our community this week. They are Charlie Inskip, Evie O'Sullivan, Rohan & Arjie Singh and their families. Charlie, Evie and Arjie have joined our Year 2-3 class and Rohan has joined our 4-5 class. We hope that our new families feel welcome and supported in our school.



Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

I hope that you are enjoying some sunshine in between the cold snaps! Some of our community have succumbed to the winter bugs. If you or family members have been unwell be sure to rest and stay warm while you recover! I needed a few days off last week to do just that.

Whilst in recovery the following article caught my attention and I would like to share it with you.

Anyone Can Learn Nobody's born smart.

We all start at zero. (Perhaps not quite!)

Can't talk, can't walk, certainly can't do algebra. Adding, reading, writing, riding a bike -- Nobody's good at anything at first

There was a time when Einstein couldn't count to 10, and Shakespeare had to learn his ABC's just like the rest of us.

Thankfully, we're born to learn

Slowly, surely, you stumble, slip, crawl, fall, and fail, and fail.

Frustrating, confusing, trying, struggling

Until one day, you walk

One foot in front of the other

One idea on top of the next

Each wrong answer making your brain a little bit stronger

Failing is just another word for growing and you keep going

This is learning, knowing that you'll get it, even if you haven't gotten it yet.

Because the most beautiful, complex concepts in the whole universe are built on basic ideas that anyone can learn,

Anyone can understand.

Whoever you are, where ever you are. You only have to know one thing: You can learn anything!

I was then prompted to reflect on our work here at St. Mary's... as we do daily. The influence of us all, parents, families and teachers collectively.

As parents & teachers, we have a profound influence as to how well a child, our child, is able to learn. We are privileged to witness each child as a learner, to see their gifts, their challenges, their mistakes, their successes, to hear their laughter, to feel their sadness, to get to know them as a child within a family, an extended family, their community, their world. But we are not only witnesses, observers to our children's living and learning, we are intrinsic to it. Our work doesn't simply entail stating what a child can or cannot do. As parents and teachers, we use our talents to bring out the best in our children, our students, to encourage, challenge and support. To help our children discover, see, appreciate and apply their giftedness, their learning, their abilities, themselves. To learn how to answer the question 'why' our question is, what can we do better that will assist our children to be great learners and even better people who reflect the principles of the values of Jesus in their daily lives? The success criteria is simple – you will know we are Christian by our love and our behaviour.



With a number of new families joining our community, I hope that you feel the warmth and love that is at St. Mary's and along with the rest of us, feel valued and supported. It is also our hope that all of our children come home each day with a sense that they have achieved something worthwhile during their day. May we continue to work together to do the very best that we can for our children.

To celebrate our growing community, we invite you to stay for a cuppa after morning prayer on Monday morning which will be led by year 2-3.



Opening of the Dhelkunya Dja Building

On Monday July 29th. Aunty Marilyne Nicholls from Bendigo initiated a Welcome to Country to mark the opening of our Dhelkunya Dja Building. Dhelkunya Dja means Healing Country / place of wellbeing and was a name put forth by previous Year 6 students. This name has now been officially sanctioned by the Dja Dja Wurrung Corporation. It is another way we can acknowledge and honour the traditional custodians of our country. Thank you Aunty Marilyne for coming to our school.



National Tree Planting Day

Our children engaged in a tree planting ceremony last Friday to support National Tree Planting day and to continue to do what we can to care for our planet. The children planted some fruit trees and we look forward to watching them grow!

Student Absences

We are required by law to follow up on any unexplained student absences. If your child is going to be absent from school can you please submit a student absence via CareMonkey or notify the school directly. We will make phone calls to parents if we have not received notification by you about any students who are away.



Book Week:

This year's theme is, "Reading is my Secret Power"! Each year there are some sensational books that are celebrated by the Children's Book Council of Australia – we do the same here at St. Mary's. Most of the Notable Books are in our Library and have been in regular circulation. The children are always keen to borrow, read and enjoy them. Children are invited on **Monday 19th of August** to come dressed as something or someone reflected in a book they are familiar with.



Our annual Book Parade will happen at 9:00am following our morning prayer– you are all warmly invited to attend. That same week we will be hosting our Annual Scholastic Book Fair. Details of our Book Fair and book week activities are detailed later in this newsletter. Thank you to Barb Burchett for doing such a terrific job keeping our library fresh and inviting.

Prep-One Treasure Boxes

Our Prep-One students enjoyed sharing their treasure boxes with their buddies this week. Their treasures sparked curiosity and provided great stimulus for discussion. It was a great way of developing oral language and it enabled our children to learn more about each other.



Chess



We congratulate our children who competed in the Bendigo Chess Championships on July 30th. Our players did very well! We thank Harry for his ongoing commitment to passing on his passion of playing chess to our children.

Harry provided the following report about the day, “St Marys came third with Jack Morelli our top performing student. Jack was 8th overall followed by Dylan Pozar 9th. Patrick Leatham 17th, and Amelia Lizzul came 24th and she was the second best performing girl on the day.

Thomas and Ryan Mulholland came 30th and

33rd respectively. From their feedback and the results, I think they had a good day with lots of challenges. They were positive and calm all day, really well behaved, and showed a lot of resilience. Not least of all they were well mannered and respectful which is something St. Mary’s students are well known for.”

Masterplan

I have had several more meetings with our architect and we are progressing in the queue which means we should be ready to get started in Term 4. Our project is estimated to take 3-4 months so we hope to be moved back into our renovated classrooms by mid-Term 1 2020. This project will involve lifting and replacing the leaking roof over the corridor which runs outside our four main classrooms, the installation of glass sliding doors so that our rooms can be opened up as required and learning spaces made more contemporary and flexible. We will also recarpet and paint the areas. Plans can be viewed in the front foyer and we welcome your feedback. We have been fortunate to be successful in receiving a grant of \$500,00.00 to fund the bulk of this project. This is terrific news for our school. The remainder of the costs which could be up to \$200,000.00 will be funded by an interest free loan through Catholic Education Melbourne which can be paid back over 15 years. I am in the process of applying for other grants which would cover some of these extra expenses i.e. soft furnishings or carpet. This would then reduce the amount we would need to borrow for expenses beyond the \$500,000.00.

School Fees

We thank you for your efforts in keeping the payment of school fees up to date. We rely on the collection of our fees to provide educational programs for our children. If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please make an appointment to discuss options with me.





Vision Portrait Fundraiser Sunday August, 18th at St. Mary's School.

If you would like an up to date family portrait you can book via the link below:

<https://www.visionportraits.com.au/family>

Money raised will be used to help fund our schools garden and playground improvements.

Interactive Play Area

We have purchased some iron bark seats and structures to set up an interactive outdoor

play area near the rotunda. This space can be enjoyed by our children who would like to construct teepees or build cubby houses or huts. It will also provide the stimulus for all sorts of creative and constructive play. We are looking forward to seeing our children make use of this space.



Altar Servers Training

We have a number of our senior students currently training with Victor Steiner as Altar Servers. Thank you Victor for giving your time to assist our children to learn about serving on the Altar. This is a great opportunity for those interested to be an active member of our Church community and to develop their confidence in a leadership role. There will be one more training session and this date will be announced next week.



First Holy Communion Is This Sunday!

We pray for our children Molly, Oliver, Niamh, Madeleine, Michael, Ryan, Sebastian, Alexandra, Cayden and Lucas who are making their First Holy Communion or receiving a blessing on this Sunday August 11th at 10.30 Mass. The Mass will be followed by morning tea. We warmly invite you all to come along and join in the celebrations.

Soft Plastics Recycling

We congratulate Billy Lister for teaching us about how to recycle our soft plastics. Billy has written the following update:

"Thank you for your help recycling soft plastics. From Monday the 12th of august we are no longer collecting soft plastics at our school because we are handing over to you! Please keep recycling your soft plastics. Thank you and I hope you can keep helping our planet 1 chip packet at a time. If you want to keep up the good work you can drop the soft plastics at any Coles or Woolworths." Billy.

Lost Property & School Uniform

There are a number of items in our lost property tub. Come in and have a look through these if you are missing anything. Please make sure that your child's clothing is clearly labelled and if anything comes home that is not theirs return it as soon as possible. Please support our uniform policy by ensuring that your child is wearing the correct winter school uniform. Thank you.



It's Time to Enrol Now for 2020

We have had pleasing interest in our school and already have over 12 prep enrolments for 2020. If you are a current parent who is seeking enrolment for a sibling in 2020 it would assist us if you pick up enrolment forms from our office and enrol as soon as you are ready. If you know anyone who would like to enrol for next year we are encouraging people to do so now. Places are filling and this will assist us with our planning for next year.

School Captains

We thank Patrick Leatham, Katiana Blake-Zboril and Amelia Lizzul for doing a terrific job as school captains over the past few months. We congratulate Quinn McMahon, Maddy Drohan and Thomas Davis who are going to take on the role of school captains over the next couple of months. We have been inspired by the enthusiasm and foresight of our student leaders and we look forward to working with them to enact their ideas.



Kind regards,

Bronwyn Phillips,
Principal.



St. Mary's School
- Castlemaine -

OPEN DAY
Tuesday, 3rd September
9:00am - 11:00am
Enrol now for 2020

Enquiries Welcome
St. Mary's School
84 Templeton Street, Castlemaine
Tel: 5472 2270
www.smcastlemaine.com
Facebook: St. Mary's Primary School
Castlemaine Welcomes You

- Inspire
- Engage
- Transform

Book Week

Monday 19th August, 2019



As a part of this year's Book Week activities the school Library will once again provide a fabulous range of books for sale.

Due to the exciting new way that the books for sale will be displayed this year, the purchasing of books will commence on Friday 23rd of August through to the following Thursday, 29th August.

Books may be purchased between 8.40am- 8.50am every morning and again in the afternoon between 2.50pm-3.30pm.

Available this year will also be an EFTPOS machine to help make the purchasing of items a whole lot easier.

As per usual, a percentage of all sales goes towards the purchasing of new books for the school.

Looking forward to seeing parents and students during St. Mary's fabulous Book Week activities.



*If you are looking for dress up ideas for our upcoming Book Week Parade, please go to Scholastic Book Fairs site:
www.scholastic.com.au*

**We need
your help please.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

***** Your help is needed please *****

On Sunday, 11th of August, following the 10.30am Mass, our children in Grade Four will receive their First Holy Communion. This sacrament is a special part of the children's journey into their catholic faith. We thank parents, carers, teachers and parishioners for being part of this celebration and offering their support.

Volunteers are sought to assist in making this a special day for our children. If you are able to assist please indicate your ability to do so by placing a tick alongside the times that you are available and returning the form to the office / OR if you could kindly donate an item for their celebration could you please indicate below.

Thank you.

Sunday 11th August
9.30am - 10.30am Help to plate food
11.30am - 12.30pm Help serving tea, coffee and food
12.30pm - 1.15pm Packing and cleaning up

We provide hot finger food from Mc Shanag's bakery and drinks but require donations to assist with any of the following, please circle what you can provide to ensure that this day is special:

Small cakes ☐ Scones ☐ Slices ☐ Sandwiches ☐

Other.....

Name..... Contact Number

If you have any questions please contact the school.

TO UPDATE FLEXIBUZZ - *All parents*

To ensure you stay up-to-date with what's happening at the school, please ensure you are subscribed to our school through FlexiBuzz and are connected to the correct boxes for 2019.

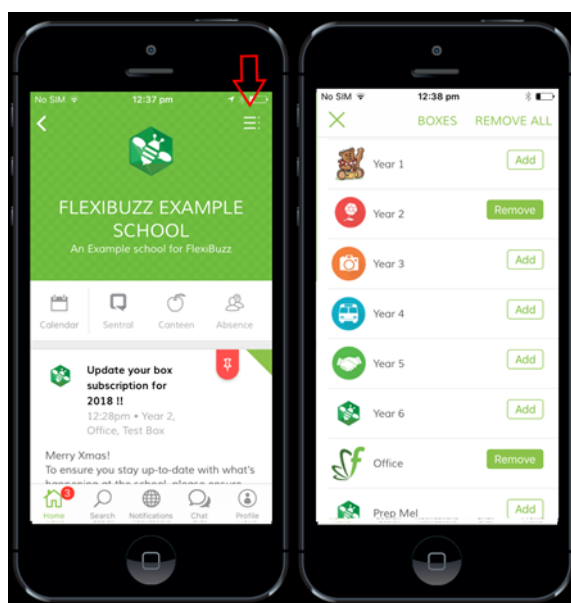
For our new parents:



For our existing parents:

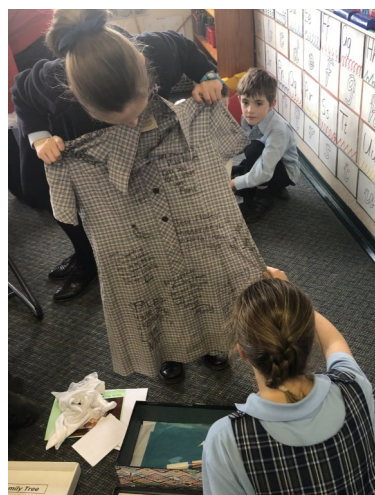
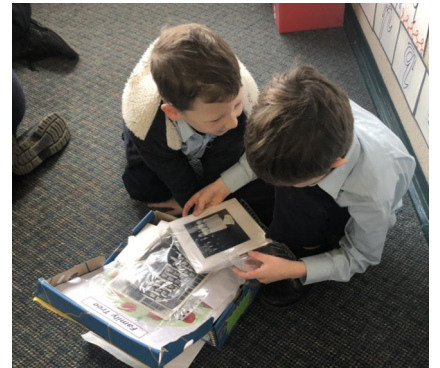
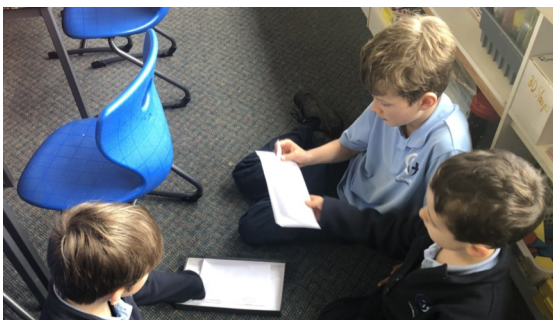
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TREASURE BOXES



NAMING OF REFURBISHED BUILDING CEREMONY

- DHELKUNYA DJA -



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

DATES:-

Monday 12th August – Twilight Dinner planning, Railway hotel 7pm

Saturday 17th Sunday 18th August – Men's Alive weekend @ Parish

Sunday 18th August – Vision Portraits Fundraiser, St Mary's School

Thursday 22nd August – P&F Meeting, Staffroom 9.15am

Wednesday 18th September – Twilight Sports & Food truck night, TBA

Friday 25th October – Twilight Dinner & Photo Exhibition launch TBA

Vision Portrait Fundraiser

Sunday 18th August @ St Mary's School

Please see flyer and use link to book your place! Be quick places will fill up fast! Start thinking about Christmas and a lovely family photo to give family and friends!



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 or someone you know in our school community needs assistance please contact Bronwyn, or any member of the P&F Committee.

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)

UPCOMING EVENT

'TWILIGHT DINNER' & Photo Exhibition

***'Whimsical Mornings – Hanging
by a Thread'***

Friday 25th October

Mark it on your calendar – More details to follow



Next P&F Meeting Thursday 22nd August, 9.15am, Staffroom. All welcome!

Colgate Community Garden

The Committee has registered St Mary's to participate in the Terracycle Colgate Community Garden again this year. This a great initiative to recycle used toothbrushes, containers, and packaging. Any brand accepted and please leave in a collection box located at the front of the school. Spread the word, our aim is to involve the whole community with collection points at the school and Castlemaine Fitness Centre.



Be sure to **Vote DAILY** for our school also following the link below - not only does our school go into a draw to win garden prizes but also the more votes the more chances of winning recycled garden sets and upcycled pencil cases.

See Flyer and Vote for our School St Mary's Castlemaine at <https://www.terracycle.com.au/en-AU/contests/colgategardenvoting>

Entries and voting closes 30th September

2019! **START COLLECTING & VOTING NOW!!!**

FUNDRAISER

What's For Dinner..?
Meals & Event Catering
DELICIOUS & NUTRITIOUS HOME COOKED MEALS

Our delicious and hearty home cooked meals will take the stress out of having to decide "What's For Dinner..?" or can be purchased as a wonderful gift idea..

Using only the freshest of ingredients our wide menu selection will be sure to please

Every time you place an order of \$30 or more, we will donate \$2 to your nominated school!!!

Orders can be placed by Friday each week for following Tuesday pickup between 3 - 4pm at St. Mary's Hall, Cnr Lyttleton & Hargreaves St, Castlemaine

To place orders call:
0457 865 636
0434 783 716

Plan tomorrow's dinner today!



What's For Dinner..?
Meals & Event Catering
DELICIOUS & NUTRITIOUS HOMECOOKED MEALS

MENU

Shepherds Pie w Steamed Vege	\$ 12/18/34
Corned Beef/Mash/Vege/White Sauce	\$ 12/18/34
Curries Sausages & Rice	\$ 12/18/34
Vegetable Curry & Rice	\$ 12/18/34
Rissolis & Gravy/Mash/Vege	\$ 12/18/34
Spaghetti Bolognaise	\$ 12/18/34
Carbonara	\$ 12/18/34
Vegetarian Bolognaise	\$ 12/18/34
Meatloaf/Mash/Vege	\$ 12/18/34
Beef Lasagne	\$ 13/19/40
Vegetarian Lasagne	\$ 12/19/40
Roast Vegetable Frittata	\$ 15/28
Quiche: Pumpkin & Feta/Lorraine/ Spinach & Feta	\$ 28
Soup: Pumpkin/Vegetable /Chicken & Corn	\$ 6
Apple Crumble/Sticky Date / Choc Brownie/ Bread & Butter Pudding	\$ 6

Plan tomorrow's dinner today!
0457 865 636



Vision
Portraits



Help your School raise funds this year and book your \$15 family photo today! Include your whole family in the session or just the kids. Book now to secure your place.

Family and Kids Photo Fundraiser
Go to the booking link below:
<https://www.visionportraits.com.au/family>
Password: fundraiser2019

\$15

Your photoshoot will be held at your school & includes one 10" x 13" photo and frame.

100% of your booking fee is fundraised for your School.

📷 @visionportraits



Bookings Now Open

Important information:

Our photographers capture fun, variety and those special family moments. Each session includes photos of different members of the family, children, parents, grandparents and relatives - whatever you request. Immediately after your photo session, you join one of our viewing consultants to view, choose favourites and select your fundraising print. Members of the community outside your organisation are encouraged to also book an appointment; their contribution will be donated to the hosting organisation.

Only 1 booking per family/group. Each person can only appear in one \$15 fundraising photo but can appear in all other photos in any session. If you miss your appointment or are late, your booking will be forfeited. Therefore, we recommend you arrive five minutes before your session starts. There are no refunds for no-shows or late bookings. However, take comfort in knowing that this money will still be donated to the hosting organisation's fundraising efforts.

On the day, we also offer opportunities to purchase additional photos in digital format and order professional prints. If you cannot make the date of this event and would love some photos, then please contact us directly on 03 8689 0033 for further information. Some schools only offer indoor or outdoor photo sessions so please check your online booking schedule.



For enquiries
Call 03 8689 0033
Email info@visionportraits.com.au
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**Vision
Portraits**

Community News . . .

2019 Battle of the BANDS

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

- \$500 First PRIZE
 - AGES 12-25
 - APPLICATIONS CLOSE MONDAY 19th August

PICK UP AN APPLICATION FROM:
 - COUNCIL CUSTOMER SERVICE
 - MONDO LOUNGE
 - CSC MUSIC TEACHER OR EMAIL JODIE (DETAILS BELOW)
 - OR VISIT www.mountalexandershireyouth.com.au
 Return by emailing Jodie or drop off at the above venues!

BATTLE OF THE BANDS WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY September 13th @ THEATRE ROYAL

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR FOR AN APPLICATION FORM, CONTACT JODIE ON 5471 1743 / 0425 421 214 OR EMAIL j.hearn@mountalexander.vic.gov.au

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 normal 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 29 August, 5, 12, & 19 September
WHERE:	Civic Centre cnr Lloyd and Lyttleton streets, Castlemaine
COST:	\$50
BOOK:	www.mountalexandershireyouth.com.au/training
CONTACT:	Shannon Lacy 5471 1700 youth@mountalexander.vic.gov.au

Registration Form

YOUNG MAKERS' MARKET – 1st September 2019

Please fill in the following:

Name(s)			
Stall Name			
Age(s)			
Contact Number			
Emergency Contact	Name:	Phone Number:	Relationship to you:
Email			
What town are you from?			
What are you selling?	(Please note we are unable to take registrations for food stalls at our current venue)		

Please circle YES or NO for each of the following options:

I would like to rent 1 of the available 5 marquees for \$5 if possible.	YES	NO
I am bringing a marquee of my own.	YES	NO
I will not be using a marquee.	YES	NO
I would like to rent a table for \$5.	YES	NO
I am bringing a table of my own.	YES	NO
I would like access to electricity for \$5.	YES	NO

Please turn over for more details

Johnstone street piano lessons

Piano lessons with an experienced teacher in a relaxed environment.

Catering for all ages, from Beginner to Intermediate levels.

Located in Castlemaine.

Contact Sandra O'Connor
 0439 484 424
johnstonestreetpiano@gmail.com

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM SCHOOL OFFICE –

When was the last time you felt **really alive?**

God is glorified
when men are
fully alive
St Irenaeus

MEN'S WEEKEND

The menALIVE Men's Weekend is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in your local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age.

17 - 18 August 2019

**Catholic Parish of Castlemaine
CASTLEMAINE**

For more information, contact:

Justin Shortal 0437 002 945 jpshortal@gmail.com

Victor Steiner 0418 399 333 victor.steiner@bigpond.com

Registration Forms are available from the foyer at all churches of the Catholic Parish of Castlemaine



The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God, and to encourage them to become an active force within the Church.

www.menalive.org.au

What others have said...

"An enjoyable and very grounded experience of spirituality for men."

"A great weekend of talking, eating, laughing and prayer."

"Offers a clear vision for being Catholic and Christian in the contemporary world."

"The format and talks helped me to confront issues in my life - really helped me to go outside myself - found the weekend format terrific."

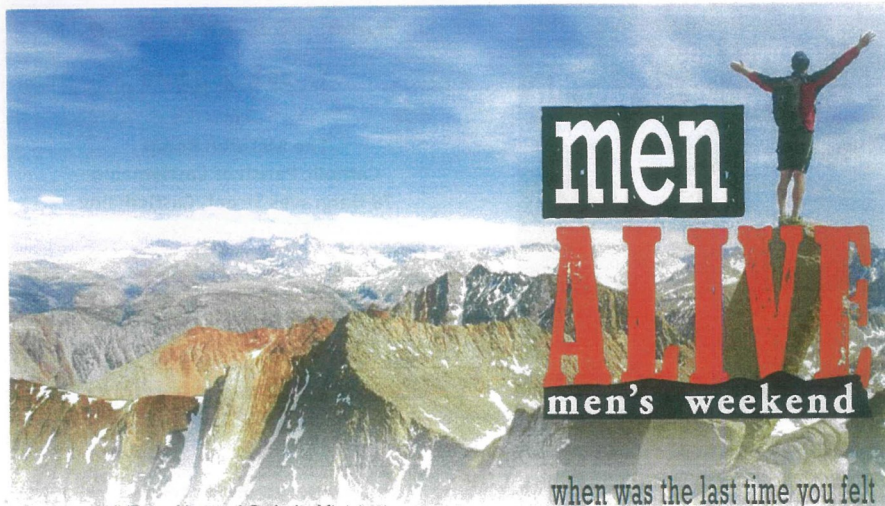
"Offers something practical and down-to-earth that most Catholic guys can relate to."

"I was very impressed with the enthusiasm and friendliness of the team and all the participants in general. I gained a lot from the weekend."

"Thank you for a great weekend. You have inspired my faith."

"The weekend was a great opportunity for men to come to be together and be set on fire. The vision of menALIVE was well presented and the format enables practical ways this could be accomplished."

"This is something the Church desperately needs."



menALIVE is a National Catholic Ministry to Men which was founded out of a response to a great need in the hearts and lives of men, and a great need in the life of the Catholic Church.

The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force within the Church.

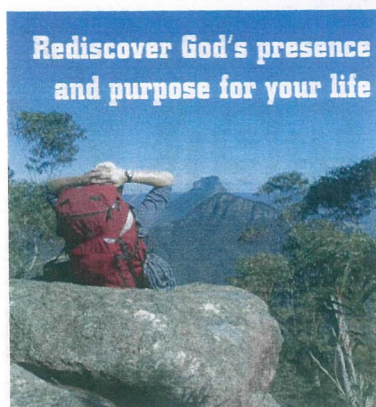
Through a variety of events and programs, men are invited to explore what God would want for their lives and how they might come to experience the fullness of life that God wants for us all.

www.menalive.org.au

17 - 18 August 2019

Catholic Parish of Castlemaine
CASTLEMAINE

God is glorified when men are fully alive
St Irenaeus



The menALIVE Men's Weekend is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive.

During the weekend, the menALIVE team will share about their lives, the challenges they face and the hope they have discovered in seeking to walk this journey with God.

Perhaps the most important thing the weekend offers is space for men to reflect and opportunities to share with one another about themselves and their lives.

The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission.

The weekend is organised by men in your local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age.

menALIVE Men's Weekend

17 - 18 August 2019

at
The McLaren Room
Catholic Parish of Castlemaine
78 Hargraves Street, Castlemaine

PROGRAM

SATURDAY

8:00 - 8:45 am Registration
9:00 pm End of Day #1

SUNDAY

8:30 am Start
1:30 pm Finish
(Mass included)

DONATION

\$40 per person (concessions available)
Includes:

- Workshops
- Stationery
- Refreshments
- Lunch and BBQ dinner on Saturday.

RSVP

By 11 August 2019

ENQUIRIES

Justin Shortal (0437 002 945)
jpshtal@gmail.com
or
Victor Steiner (0418 399 333)
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CATHOLIC PARISH OF CASTLEMAINE

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

SUNDAY 4th August 2019 – Year C
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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

Next Sunday readings:

Wisdom 18: 6-9
Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19
Luke 12: 32-48

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.*

Today's readings:

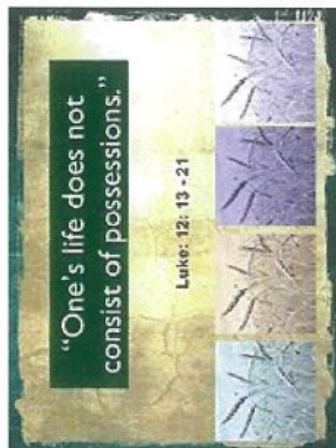
Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23
Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11
Luke 12: 13-21

Responsorial Psalm

In every age, O Lord,
you have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in Spirit;
The kingdom of heaven
is theirs!
Alleluia!



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.

•AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS

The Winter issue is now available:

"Mind, Body, Soul":

Mental Health and Wellness.

Take home your **FREE** copy today.

Free SOUP KITCHEN

Every Wednesday from

5pm-6.30pm in the Buckley Room.

All help is welcome.

WORSHIP TIMETABLE

Saturday
Reconciliation 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 Adoration

Second Sunday of the Month
Mass: Newstead 6.00pm

Fourth Sunday of the Month
Mass: Sandon 6.00pm

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

*"Take care to guard against all
greed, for though one may be rich,
one's life does not consist of
possessions...." – Luke 12:15*

The Gospel message today is
contrary to our modern culture
where advertising continually tries to
convince us that our value lies in the
things we possess. Jesus showed us
that our true value lies in the way we
live our lives. He challenges us to
not hoard material possessions,
but rather to live grateful and
generous lifestyle and become
more 'other centered' and less
'self centered'.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Deaths: Virginia McShanag.

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:	\$1096
2nd Collection – Parish:	\$1031
Direct Debit & Credit cards:	\$440
Pledged Amount:	\$1835

Australian Catholic Youth Festival

2019: "Listen to what the Spirit is saying"

The fourth Australian Catholic Youth Festival will be in Perth from 8-10 December 2019 for Year 9 to 30 year olds.

Individuals can register as pilgrims with the Melbourne Collective Group (MCG) for a 6 days/5 nights package for \$1699 p/p. For students in Yr9 - Yr12 attending a Catholic Secondary School, the cost will be subsidised (50%) by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Subsidies is also available for other age groups and **MUST** be applied for by 11 August 2019.

For more information & Registration go to: www.cam.org.au/acyf19

or

contact Fr Wahid on 0419-511-064.

Parish Pastoral Council

Our next meeting is on
Wednesday 14th August at 7.15pm
in the Presbytery.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2019

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

(For children in Grade 4 and upwards)

Classes for children **NOT** attending St Mary's school started on Monday 22nd July. Classes are from 4.30-5.30pm in the Buckley Room.

Sacrament

Sunday 11th August: 10.30am Mass,
St Mary's

CONFIRMATION

(For children in Grade 6 and upwards)

Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday 24th November: 10.30am Mass,
St Mary's

First Holy Communion Celebrations

All are welcome to celebrate with our children and their families on their special day of First Holy Communion on Sunday 11th August at 10.30am Mass and afterwards in St Mary's Hall. Please pray for the children at this special time.

AUGUST GARABANDAL MEETING

will be held on Monday 5th August at 7.30pm at Sebastian Guzzardi's home, 6 Forest street, Castlemaine. All welcome.

Masses for the Feast

of the Assumption: 15th August

A Holy day of obligation for this great Solemnity of Our Lady's Assumption:

St Mary's Church: 9.15am Mass with
School community

St Brigid's Church: 6.00pm Mass with
Rosary at 5.30pm
N.B One collection will be taken up.

PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Tuesday 6th August

4.30pm: Legion of Mary, Presbytery
6.00pm: Mass, St Mary's

Wednesday 7th August

9.15am: Mass & Rosary, St Mary's
11.00am: Mass, Thompson House
7.00pm: Home Mass

Thursday 8th August

6.00pm: Mass, St Brigid's

Friday 9th August

9.15am: Mass & Adoration, St Mary's

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

All are welcome to the Mass of healing of the sick – healing of the whole person – body and soul.
St Brigid's: Sunday 4th August, at 8.30am Mass

Mass at Thompson House

Our next monthly Mass for Castlemaine Health is on Wednesday 7th August at 11.00am. All welcome.

HOME MASS

Our next Home Mass will be at Joanne Cianflone's place – 1 Kateesha court, Campbells Creek on Wednesday 7th August at 7.00pm.
Tel no. 0406-662-235. All welcome.

A new Icon of Mary's Dormition

We have been gifted with a beautiful new Icon of Mary's Dormition in St Mary's Church, Castlemaine. The Icon will be blessed on the feast of Mary's Assumption on the 15th August at 9.15am Mass.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

11th August 2019

NINETEENTH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

6.00pm

Reader:

Ann Coffey

Ext Min Com: Ros Chapman

Marie McCallum

Tricia Barrett

8.30am

Reader:

Marta Czehmester

Ext Min Com: Elaine Lacey

10.30am

Reader:

Tindi Munyawara

Ext Min Com: Betty Morris

Trish Bowles

Bernadette Mayne

LINEN ROSTER

AUGUST: Anne McGibbon

Attention all Men of the Parish:

Men Alive Weekend:

17th and 18th August in our Parish.

A not to be missed weekend for all men 18 years and over.

Registration forms are available in the Church, the school and from Fr Wahid. RSVP by 11th August.

Enquiries please contact:

Justin Shortal on 0437-002-945 or Victor Steiner on 0418-399-333.

National Vocations Awareness week

Today is the feast of St John Vianney, the patron of parish clergy.

Pray for your priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in your community.

Next Thursday is the feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop, our first Australian saint. Pray for the religious and saints and may they inspire many vocations to consecrated life.