



Newsletter

Term 3, Issue 4

Thursday August 15th, 2019

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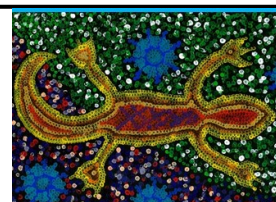
August Saturday, 17th & Sunday, 18th	'Men Alive' Men's Weekend - Parish	Friday, 30th	Father's Day Breakfast 7:30am - 9:00am
Date TBA - Postponed until December	Vision Portraits - P & F Fundraiser - St. Mary's School	September Tuesday, 3rd	Open Day - 9:00-11:00am
Monday, 19th	Book Week Dress Up Day - Parade 9:00am	Wednesday, 18th	Twilight Sports - 2:00pm
Wednesday, 21st	Circus Day	Friday, 20th	End of Term 3 - 2:30pm Finish
Thursday, 22nd	P & F Meeting - Staffroom 9:30am - <i>All welcome!</i>	October Monday, 7th	Term 4 commences
	Assembly - 2:40pm School Library		
Friday, 23rd - Thursday, 29th	Book Fair Library - 8:30am	Sunday, 13th	Confirmation Commitment Mass
Monday, 26th	School Closure Day Staff PD	Friday, 25th	St. Mary's Long Dinner 5:30pm - 8:30pm



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.



"A community needs a soul if it is to become a true home for human beings. You the people must give it this soul" John Paul II



School Captain Awards:
Patrick Leatham, Evie O'Sullivan & Charlie Inskip

Dear God,

We pray for another way of being:
another way of knowing.

Across the difficult terrain of our existence
we have attempted to build a highway
and in so doing have lost our footpath.
God lead us to our footpath:
Lead us there where in simplicity
we may move at the speed of natural creatures
and feel the earth's love beneath our feet.
Lead us there where step-by-step we may feel
the movement of creation in our hearts.
And lead us there where side-by-side
we may feel the embrace of the common soul.
Nothing can be loved at speed.

God lead us to the slow path; to the joyous insights
of the pilgrim; another way of knowing: another way of being.

Amen.

Michael Leunig



We warmly welcome our new students who have joined our community this week. They are Nynbol, Chan and Ngor Arop. Nynbol has joined our Year P-1 class and Chan and Ngor have joined our 2-3 class. Their mother Ashai and younger sibling Anyounty. We hope that our new families feel welcome and well supported in our school community.

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,



Last Sunday, our families presented their children for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. It was wonderful to see so many family, friends, teachers & parishioners come together to celebrate, pray for and be with Molly, Oliver, Niamh, Madeleine, Michael, Alexandra, Cayden, Ellen and Abbey on this most special occasion. The contribution of the Sacred Heart College Choir made this celebration even more beautiful. Thank you to you all for supporting our children. Special thanks to Fr. Wahid, Julie Farrell, Mrs. C and Mrs. Jones and all of the teachers for their preparation with the children as well as to Carolynne, Isabella, Emilia Lizzul, Shelley and Olivia Leathem for all of the work that they did in the kitchen.

To the families of these children and all our families at St. Mary's, we encourage you to make time to be family, to share in communion with each other and with God. You are your children's first educators and their reference point in learning about life, relationship and God. Together with school and parish, our children can develop a rich understanding of their faith and culture.



Feast of the Assumption

This morning we celebrated our patron's feast with our parishioners at 9.15am Mass said by our devoted Fr. Wahid. It was a great opportunity for our newly trained altar servers to practise their skills and to join with the community to honour Mary. Thank you to Marian and Anne, and the children for filling the church with song. Our next Altar training session will be on September 2nd at 3.30 in the Church. Victor Steiner and Trish Bowles facilitate these sessions which the children are enjoying. All children from Year 4 are welcome to do the training. You may register your child's interest via CareMonkey.

Father's Day Breakfast

We warmly invite you all to take part in our Father's Day breakfast coming up on Friday August 30th from 7.30 am until 9.00am. We acknowledge all those who play a role in raising our children. We also acknowledge that Father's Day can be a difficult day for some, bringing up complex feelings and emotions.



We are thinking of you too and pray for you:

- Fathers who have lost children
- Those who have lost Fathers
- Those who have strained relationships
- Those who are unable to be Fathers and those yearning to be Fathers.

We celebrate all of the love and care that devoted parents, grandparents and carers give to their precious children. We look forward to seeing all of you who can attend at our breakfast.

Men Alive Weekend

This weekend the Men Alive is a forum for men to explore what it means to be really alive. Details of this enriching opportunity are outlined later in this newsletter. You are most welcome to take part.

School Closure: Staff Professional Development

On Monday August 26th our teaching staff will attend a professional development day in Bendigo to learn more about the Walker Learning approach with the view of enhancing what we already offer to our children here at St. Mary's. As part of this day we will visit some primary schools in Bendigo. There is always value in seeing how other learning spaces are set up and how other teachers are working. With our building refurbishment in the pipeline we hope this day will also give us some more food for thought in regard to how we set up our learning spaces. The following gives a synopsis of the Walker Learning philosophy and key components.



Walker Learning - Philosophy & Key Components

Walker Learning is a holistic teaching and learning approach that is developmentally and culturally appropriate for children in their early childhood and primary years of education (babies through year 7).

Walker Learning is a pedagogy NOT a program NOR a tool

In the early childhood and primary years (of education) Walker Learning is designed to provide a balance of explicit teaching of literacy and numeracy (and other curriculum areas) with time also for children to actively investigate a range of skills and experiences for life either through planned play or projects depending upon their age and stage of maturity.

Walker Learning places an emphasis upon relationships between teacher and child and family. It views the child holistically and values emotional and social life as important as the academic.

We believe that successful education includes two major foci: skills in curriculum and skills for life.

Skills for Life: developing children who can think for themselves and others, who can create and imagine, who are strong in their literacy and numeracy, and who can navigate the challenges of the world with intrinsic motivation and a strength of character derived from a strong sense of self and resilience; to be emotionally intelligent, self-initiators, reflective of themselves and others, strong and articulate communicators with a realistic sense of themselves and others.

Skills for Curriculum: skills for life work alongside skills of literacy, numeracy, the arts, science and other curriculum areas and are placed within the individual interests, collective culture and communities of the children and their families. Walker Learning uses evidence from how children develop neurologically, developmentally and through the influences of culture and family, to set up the learning environment to reflect indoor and outdoor learning and places and spaces that reflect calm but stimulating range of investigations and places to explore, experiment and learn.

Neuroscience and developmental psychology are major disciplines that guide pedagogical practice in Walker Learning.



Speech Pathologist Hayley Millard

Our children now have the opportunity to see a speech pathologist here at St. Mary's on a Wednesday or a Thursday. I have met with Hayley Millard who has been working in this area for over 7 years. Most of her experience has been with primary age children. Please read the information later in this newsletter. Your child may attend 5 visits which can be subsidised by Medicare. You may contact Hayley directly on **0490460429** if you would like to discuss with her what she can offer your child.



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.

Circus Day

Our children are working hard to have their circus performances polished and ready for our circus showcase on next Wednesday 21st of August. The days program is outlined later in this newsletter. Be sure to come along if you are free!

October Month of Mission

Pope Francis has named October an "extraordinary month of mission". He encourages us to live out joyfully our responsibility for the world. To honour the extraordinary nature of this celebration, Catholic Mission has planned some events to engage as wide an audience as possible – and the details are included later in this newsletter.

Events such as October 12th NGV Encounter / October 14th Creative Writing Workshop / October 17th Plenary Discernment / October 20th World Mission Sunday or October 24th 6.30 prayer may interest you.



“Baptized and Sent: The Church of Christ on Mission in the World” is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for October, the Extraordinary Mission Month. Catholic Mission is very happy to launch a series of special events to celebrate this. They have a range of activities which they hope will deepen in people their sense of mission by taking time to reflect, discern, explore, create, experience, celebrate and pray.

Outdoor Classroom Plans

We are in the process of creating an outdoor learning/play area under the library. We have ordered a whiteboard and a blackboard to be erected for the children to use. We will also use some of our older tables and chairs. If you have anything you would like to donate to this space let us know. The purpose is to develop an area outdoors where the children can draw, create and play.



Map of Australia

It would be great to add more detail to the map of Australia which is painted on the wall under the library. If any of you are keen, we would like to add states, cities names, perhaps some wildflowers, etc. Let us know if this is something that you would like to help us with. Thank you.

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.



Art Club

Alex Tolevski and Georgia Morelli did a splendid job organising our art club session yesterday where those who chose to come made book marks. Well done girls!



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.

Buddy Reading

All of our Year Prep & One children enjoyed relaxing with their buddy and listening to stories on Tuesday afternoon. Our senior students showed care and patience during this session. They took time to engage with their younger friend whilst reading their books.



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.



Book Your Vision Portrait Fundraiser 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. ***Date has been postponed until December, due to lack of bookings.***

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.



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."

As you might know, there is a young makers market in Castlemaine and I am part of the organising committee. If you would like to attend the young makers market it will be on the 1st of September at 10am until 1pm in the Theatre Royal courtyard next to the Giant Bike store. This day is Father's Day. Come down and see me at the young markers market.

Billy.





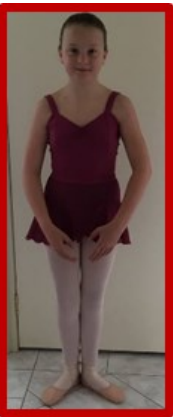
Lost Property & School Uniform

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 10 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.



Our Students in the Community

We congratulate Amelia Lizzul who completed her Cecchetti Grade 4 Ballet exam this week. This is a super achievement Amelia!



Kind regards,

Bronwyn Phillips,
Principal.



St. Mary's School
- Castlemaine -

OPEN DAY

Tuesday, 3rd September
9:00am - 11:00am

Enrol now for 2020



- Inspire
- Engage
- Transform

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

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*

Circus Day



Dear

You are invited to St Mary's Circus Day Extravaganza, where students will be showcasing their circus and cooking skills and raising money for new athletics equipment for our Athletics Carnival coming up in Week 10.



When: Wednesday 21st August

Where: St Mary's School grounds or in the Wellbeing Centre if raining.

Time: 11.30am to 1.30pm.

Parents/Caregivers for a gold coin donation obtain their circus admission ticket from the circus ticket booth.

Timetable for the Day;

1. 11.30am - Ringmasters to introduce and welcome everyone.
2. Performance of Grades P/1 and Gr 2/3.
3. Circus Station Rotations....Parents/Caregivers invited to join in with students.
4. Intermission - Students may purchase popcorn.
5. Performance of Grades 4/5 and 5/6.
6. Ringmasters to announceLunch time.
7. Raffle drawn by the Ringmasters

- Students are to come dressed in bright coloured circus clothes on the day.
- Students will need to bring some money to purchase their lunch on the day.
- The food that can be purchased has been made by the students using as many school veggie garden seasonal products as possible.

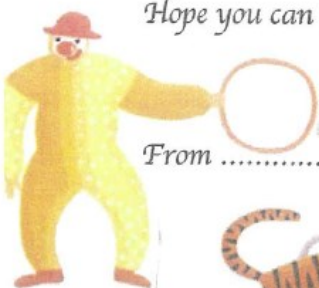
- Foods that can be purchased on the day are:

1. Popcorn - 50 cents
2. Sweet and savory muffins - \$1
3. Fried rice - \$1
4. Sausage sizzle with or without coleslaw - \$1

- Raffle tickets are 50 cents each. Students are welcome to purchase tickets at recess time outside the Arts Hub from the Gr 6 leaders who will be selling them from next Monday onwards for two weeks.

Hope you can come,

From

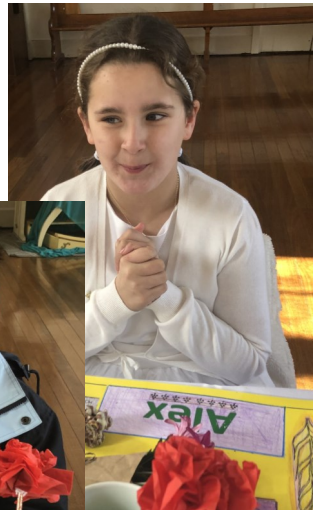


First Communion

Thank you . . .

Please accept my heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated food to the Holy Communion Celebrations. Thank you Paul Mc Shanag for the cake and pastry goods.

Special thanks goes to Shelly, Olivia, Izzy and Amelia, who worked tirelessly in the kitchen.



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

DATES:-

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

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

Date postponed until December.

**Please see flyer and use link to book your place!
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 tomorrows 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
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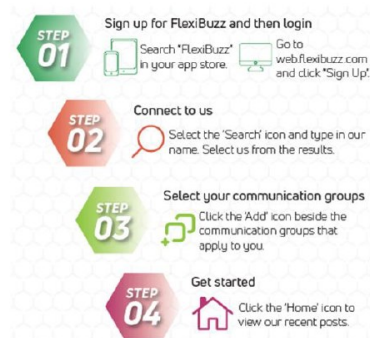
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Portraits**

For the
attention of
all new
families.
Please
download
Flexibuzz
to keep
up to date
with
school messages.

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.

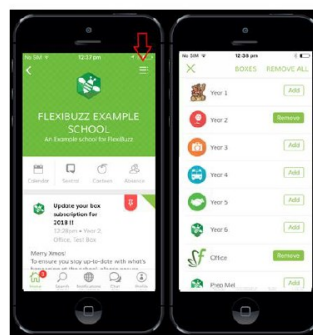
For our new parents:



For our existing parents:

To update your box subscriptions, enter our FlexiBuzz site and select the menu icon in the top right.

From here you can remove and add your box subscription preferences.



For further information or assistance please visit the FlexiBuzz website www.flexibuzz.com.au or email support@flexibuzz.com.

Community News . . .



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

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 0471 1743 / 0421 421 214
OR EMAIL jhearn@mountalexandervic.gov.au





Join us for a free
FAMILY FUN DAY
 Sunday September 8th 2019, 11:00 am – 3:00pm
 Campaspe Drive, Kyneton

RSVP your attendance: kynetononriverside.com.au



FOOD TRUCKS



PRIZES



FACE PAINTING



MEET THE BUILDERS



PETTING ZOO & JUMPING CASTLE



LIVE MUSIC




Official Kyneton Daffodil & Arts Festival Event

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

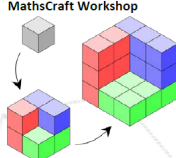
CONTACT: Shannon Lacy | 5471 1700 | youth@mountalexander.vic.gov.au




Mathematics Roadshow

Presented by National Science Week, ACEMS & the University of Melbourne

Girton Grammar School, Bendigo
 Thursday, 22 August 2019



MathsCraft

Doing maths like a research mathematician


What is a mathematician? How do they think about, and solve maths problems?
What makes mathematicians love maths?

We want to answer these questions and we think that the best way to do so is to get a group of people together to share ideas, and to think about mathematical problems.

MathsCraft student workshops aim to give students and their teachers a taste of the answer to this question, by letting them experience the process for themselves. Students, teachers, and mathematicians are brought together to work on problems through spotting patterns, making conjectures, and convincing themselves and those around them.

You'll get to meet real mathematicians and other like-minded school students to work on interesting and challenging maths problems together. Come along and find out what makes mathematicians love maths!


Click here for more details on the MathsCraft workshop:
<http://www.mathscraft.org/events?action=view&id=24>



Q&A Panel

Join us in an interactive question-and-answer session with a panel of MathsCraft mathematicians.

Maybe I Could Be A Mathematician – A story of growing up alongside vinyl, CD, MP3 and YouTube Premium



Maybe I Could Be A Mathematician is delivered by Professor Arun Ram who is a lecturer in the School of Mathematics and Statistics at the University of Melbourne.

Professor Ram is an internationally recognised mathematician and an inspirational teacher. In this unique presentation he tells a series of stories, interweaving mathematics and music. Humorous, educational, personal, often all at once, these collected stories illuminate the remarkable journey of an enquiring mind who became a mathematician. A mathematical mixtape from a lifelong road trip.




Arun Ram grew up in a small town in New Mexico, USA – leaving for Boston to attend MIT. After deciding that he needed a lifestyle which enabled him to travel and sit in coffee shops - he found it best to get a PhD in Mathematics! After obtaining his PhD from University of California San Diego, he held a sequence of junior positions before landing at University of Wisconsin in 1999. In 2008 he moved to University of Melbourne where the mathematics, the weather and the city suit him well. His passions are beauty, music, languages, cultures and people.

Evening Performance

In addition to the sessions at Girton Grammar, the Faculty of Science and National Science Week also presenting a public show in the evening of Thursday 22nd August at the Discovery Science and Technology Centre, Bendigo: <https://discovery.asn.au/>

This will be a free, catered event available to all ages, and all levels of interests and abilities in maths and music. Professor Ram's *Maybe I Could Be A Mathematician* presentation at Girton Grammar is a teaser for the full-length performance at the public show. Please feel free to promote this to your students' families and contacts in the greater Bendigo region.

Registrations for the evening performance can be made via Eventbrite:
<http://go.unimelb.edu.au/49sr>

This event is proudly supported by the ARC Centre of Excellence for Mathematical & Statistical Frontiers (ACEMS)
<http://acems.org.au/>

Tuesday, October 1st
A Time to Reflect:

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre.
362 Albert St, East Melbourne

10am – 3pm

www.trybooking.com/BECUT

Spirituality Day \$10

- On this day we take time to be still and reflect on our experience of mission.
- Loreto Sister, Rachel McLoughlin ably facilitates a process whereby lived experience, relationships and spirituality lead to a deeper understanding of mission.

Saturday, October 12th
A Time to Experience:

NGV International, 180 St Kilda Road

10am – 12pm

www.trybooking.com/BECUT

NGV Encounter \$30

- NGV educator, David Menzies, leads an exploration of the collection of the National Gallery of Victoria through the lens of mission.
- Join us as David takes us on guided tour of selected works which illustrate visual artists' various means of expressing the themes of mission.

Monday October 14th
A Time to Create:

Dorm 1, Abbotsford Convent
1 St Heller St, Abbotsford

10am – 3pm

www.trybooking.com/BECUT

Creative Writing

- Story-telling sits in the heart of our Gospel tradition.
- It is a means by which we come closer to God and share our mission.
- Join us in this workshop, led by Danielle Dominguez from CEM, when we can get our creative juices flowing, and produce works of prose, poetry and parables.
- Those who attend the NGV tour might like to reference the works chosen by David Menzies and be inspired to get writing!

TBC

A Time to Explore:

- The 71-year-old Australian missionary nun was accused of "illegal political activities" and deported from the Philippines.
- "It's all a shock", she says, "there's a real attack on Church people, standing by the poor and speaking out".
- Join in a conversation with Sion Sister, Pat Fox, as she shares her understanding and insights into mission.

Thursday, October 17th
A Time to Discern:

Cathedral Room, Cardinal Knox Centre
383 Albert St, East Melbourne

10am – 3pm

www.trybooking.com/BECUT

Plenary 2020

- This is a process of Communal discernment, rather than individual discernment.
- As such, we are called to work together as a group. The process you are going to engage with today is built upon the practice of Spiritual Conversations.
- It is a process of prayer, contemplation, sharing with one another and seeking God's direction.
- Join Lana Turvey-Collins, National Facilitator of Plenary 2020.
- All are welcome to participate and discern together.



Wednesday, October 23rd
A Time to Pray:

St Patrick's Cathedral
East Melbourne

11am

Children's Mission Mass

- An open invitation to all schools to mark the Extraordinary Month of Mission by coming together at the Cathedral to celebrate our Catholic Identity and shared mission.

Sunday, October 20th
A Time to Celebrate:

All Parishes

World Mission Day Mass

- Celebrated on this day across the globe in Catholic Parishes everywhere.
- This year in his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis writes:
"People in love never stand still: they are drawn out of themselves; they are attracted and attract others in turn, they give themselves to others and build relationships that are life-giving. As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God's love."

Thursday, October 24th
A Time to Pray:

St Mary's Star of the Sea Church,
33 Howard St, West Melbourne

6.30pm

<https://www.cam.org.au/youth/Get-Involved/Six30-Holy-Hour>

Six30 Holy Hour

- Six30 Holy Hour is a chance to pray and to meet other young people from around Melbourne while listening to beautiful music, insightful talks, and spending time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Syrian priest, Fr Zaher Mhanna, will lead the devotions and share his understanding of mission.



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A time to:

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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:

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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."

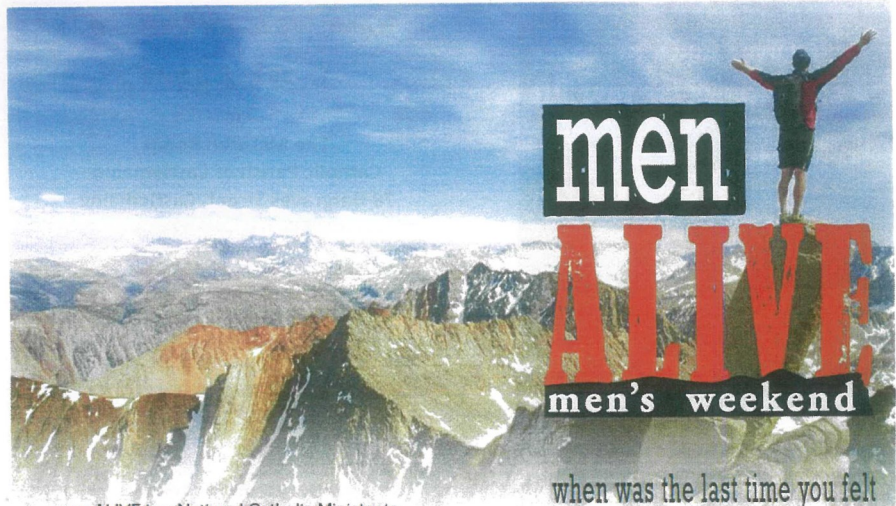
"Offers something practical and down-to-earth that most Catholic guys can relate to."

"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."



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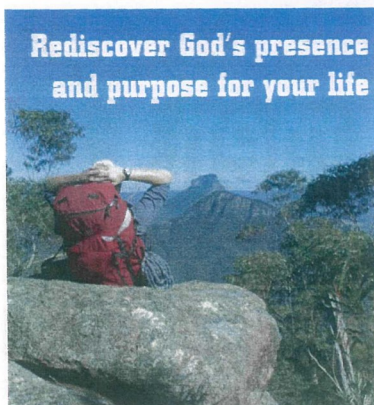
Through a variety of events and programs, men are invited to explore what God would want for their lives and how they might come to experience the fullness of life that God wants for us all.

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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.

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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)
victor.steiner@bigpond.com

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/mobile: _____

Email: _____

Year of Birth: _____

Parish: _____

Special Needs (diet, mobility, etc): _____

PAYMENT DETAILS

I am paying by:

- ☐ Cheque
☐ Direct Deposit (EFT)
☐ Cash

If paying by cheque, make payable to:
"Catholic Parish of Castlemaine A/c"

If paying by Direct Deposit:
A/c Name: Catholic Parish of Castlemaine A/c
BSB: 083 347
Account Number: 636421759
Reference: menALIVE <surname>

RETURN THIS FORM to:

Catholic Parish of Castlemaine
78 Hargraves Street, Castlemaine, VIC 3450
or
Email scanned copy to
castlemaine@cam.org.au

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
Castlemaine 6.00pm

Wednesday
Castlemaine 9.15am

Thursday
Maldon 6.00pm.

Friday
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

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." – Luke 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven.

The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods.

How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure?

How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more time in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

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 0448 009 945.

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.

•MELBOURNE CATHOLIC

The August issue is now available: *"From The Heart"*
Take home a copy today. \$4 each.

Free SOUP KITCHEN

Every Wednesday from 5pm-6.30pm in the Buckley Room.
All help is welcome.



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

SUNDAY 11th August 2019 – Year C
NINETEENTH 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://stmmaryscastlemaine.com

Parish Priest: Rev Fr. Wahid Riad

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

Responsorial Psalm
Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

*Fear not, little flock,
for it is your
Father's
good pleasure
to give you the
kingdom.*

Luke 12:32

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: Robert (Bob) Brewer.

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:	\$1047
2nd Collection – Parish:	\$1285
Direct Debit & Credit cards:	\$360
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

•CONFIRMATION

(For children in Grade 6 and upwards)

•Commitment Mass

Sunday 13th October: 10.30am Mass,
St Mary's

•Parent/Child Information Night
Tuesday 22nd October: 7pm, school library

•Sacrament of Confirmation
Sunday 24th November: 10.30am Mass,
St Mary's

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.

My First



Holy Communion

CONGRATULATIONS

To all the First Holy Communion Children.
May God Bless you on your special day when receiving Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. Have a wonderful day and keep coming to Jesus in the Eucharist every week-end. Fr Wahid

First Holy Communion Celebrations
All are welcome to celebrate with our children and their families on their special day of

First Holy Communion **TODAY,**
Sunday 11th August at 10.30am Mass
and afterwards in St Mary's Hall. Please pray for the children at this special time.

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency CatholicCare delivers family & relationship counselling, refugee and settlement support, education and school programs, and pastoral services. Donations from our parish community will help care for the most vulnerable families in our community.

PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

•Tuesday 13th August

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

•Wednesday 14th August

9.15am: Mass & Rosary, St Mary's
11.00am: Maldon Hospital Prayer Service.
7.15pm: Parish Council meeting

•Thursday 15th August

9.15am: Mass: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Mary's
6.00pm: Mass: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Brigid's

•Friday 16th August

9.15am: Mass & Adoration, St Mary's

•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.

•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, St Mary's.

Maldon Hospital Prayer Service

Fr Wahid will be leading a Prayer Service at Maldon Hospital on **Wednesday 14th August at 11.00am.**
All welcome to join us in this works of Mercy.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

18th August 2019

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6.00pm

Reader:

Tricia Barrett
Ext Min Com: Kathleen Tobin
Anne McGibbon
Chris Turley

8.30am

Reader:

Beth Price
Ext Min Com: Geoff McLennan

10.30am

Reader:

Annie O'Shannessy
Ext Min Com: Julie Farrell
Mary Hein

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

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. Let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.