



Newsletter

Term 3, Issue 7

Thursday September 5th, 2019

TERM DATES

September Thursday, 5th	Assembly - 2:40pm School Library	Sunday, 13th	Confirmation Commitment Mass
			Lucas Davis & Sebastian Salvatore - First Communion
Thursday, 12th	Holy Name of Mary Day - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Dress Day • Donations of non perishable food • Lunchtime Disco 	Tuesday, 15th	Prep 2020 Interviews
Wednesday, 18th	Mt. Alexander Chess Challenge 9:00am-2:30pm	Tuesday, 22nd	Confirmation Information Evening - 7:00pm
	Twilight Sports - 2:00pm		
Thursday, 19th	No Assembly. Reading Hour - Parents are invited to join their child/ren for reading - 2:30pm	Friday, 25th	St. Mary's Grazing Platter Night & Photo Exhibition Launch - 5:30pm
Friday, 20th	Soup & Roll Lunch	Saturday, 26th - Monday, 28th	Photo Exhibition - Sat, Sun, Mon - 10:00am - 1:00pm
	End of Term 3 - 2:30pm Finish		
October Monday, 7th	Term 4 commences	November Monday, 4th	School Closure - Report Writing Day
		Tuesday, 5th	MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY



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 the past and present Elders, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and custodians of this land the Dja Dja Wurrung people. Thank you for protecting and preserving our land Australia in the past, for sharing it now and educating us for the future.

We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their spiritual connection to Country.



Congratulations to the following students:

Principal's Award: Royce Williams, Thomas Davis, Maddy Drohan & Max Lenan

Respectful Award: Logan Browne-Kerr & Harper Vance

Responsible Award: Dylan Pozar, Miles Cheesman & Michael Ma

Resilient Award: Georgia Morelli & Gabby McCord

Wonder Award: Evie Nuttall, Charlie McShanag & Hannah Cochrane

Believe Award: Nynbol Lino

Persevere Award: Ryan Mulholland & Bianca Lawrence

Create Award: Frieda Brinkmann, Quinn Vance & Samuel Aldridge

School Captain Awards: Oliver Grainger, Adam Lagman & Amelia Lizzul

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

to Miles Cheesman, Heidi Neugebauer, Spencer Grainger, Arjun Singh, Lachlan McMahon,
Niamh Keane, Rohan Singh, Farley Bracken & Katiana Blake-Zboril
who celebrate their birthdays in September.

Family Prayer

God be with our family,
From the youngest to the oldest,
Lighting up our relationships,
Sowing grace into our troubles.

God be with our family,
Weaving love into our work,
Our rest, and our play.

Amen.



Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

A hearty breakfast in good company and with loved ones was enjoyed by our community last Friday morning. Our children were delighted to share this special occasion with their families and friends.

Our breakfast symbolised our gratitude to our fathers and families as well as acknowledged all those who play a role in raising our children. We also understand 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.

We celebrated all of the love and care that devoted parents, grandparents and carers give to their precious children. Special thanks to Peddling Pastries & Bakers Delight for baking and supplying the delicious pastries and bread. We also appreciate the effort the students and teachers made to prepare our breakfast.

Thank you for joining us for breakfast on this morning in the spirit of celebrating together as a connected and supportive community.



St. Mary's Book Fair & Raffle

Thank you for supporting this fundraiser. We hope that you have enjoyed perusing the array of books that we have on offer in the library. We have made over \$300.00 commission from our sales so we will choose books to this value from the books on offer. The children pictured were the lucky winners of our book fair raffle. Jufuor, Charli, Harper and Sebastian all received a \$15.00 book voucher to spend at the Book Fair. Our thanks to Barb Burchett for her tireless efforts in keeping our library fresh and up to date and for organising our Book Fair.

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

NAPLAN 2019 reporting packages will be delivered this week and will include a printed Individual Student Report for each student who participated in NAPLAN in 2019. These reports will be sent home with year 3 and year 5 children. Please make contact with us if you would like to discuss your child's results.

Happy Holiday Fr. Wahid!

Fr. Wahid is currently taking a break in sunny Queensland. We hope that he enjoys a good rest. He will return on September 20th.



Footy Tipping

Congratulations to Chris Lane who won our footy tipping tournament. Thank you Chris for generously donating your winnings to the school. We will put the money towards books for the library.

Contact Details - Ambulance Membership

We encourage you to arrange Ambulance membership for your family if you haven't already done so. We have had occasions when we have had to ring an ambulance and membership fees are significantly lower than the cost of a trip in the ambulance.

In the interests of child safety protocols please ensure that your contact details and all emergency details are up to date. We have also had times when we have been unable to contact a parent and there have been no current emergency contacts listed.

Twilight Sports

The children are getting excited about our Twilight Sports coming up on September 18th. The events will begin at 2.00pm with the children marching onto the oval in their teams and finish at approximately 6pm. We welcome you to bring an afternoon tea picnic and enjoy the events. A coffee van will supply coffee and tea for those who wish to purchase warm drinks.



Mt Alexander Chess Challenge

If your child would like to take part in the Mt. Alexander Chess Challenge, please fill out the permission form via CareMonkey. Years 4-6 children may attend. Please note that you will need to arrange transport to CSC as well as from CSC. Our Twilight Sports begin at 2pm. Your child may be picked up from CSC at 1.50 and brought back to school for the start of our sports. You may stay and watch the Chess playing if you would like to.

Please ring us if you have any questions.

Staff Annual Review Meetings

As a staff we are proactive in our work and we constantly evaluate our practice and improve our knowledge and skills. The staff Annual Review Meeting has the purpose of compliance but more importantly it is an opportunity for our staff to reflect on their learning and celebrate their growth as an educator this year. It is a time to share successes as well as challenges. It also provides time to speak about professional learning, future goals and our vision for the work we do. It is always inspiring to engage with our staff and their Annual Review Meeting next week allows 1-1 time with me to talk about aspirations in their work. Like all the work we do the ultimate goal is to continue to do the very best we can to support our children holistically in their learning.



Holy Name of Mary Feast Day

On Thursday September 12th is our Patron's feast day. Children may come dressed in casual clothes ready for our disco at 2pm. Children will also be creating a portrait of Mary according to their interpretation of her.

Reading Hour in Australia & St Mary's!

On **Thursday September 19th** 2019, we will stop what we're doing and pick up a book! Rather than have our assembly at **2.30pm** we invite you to join your child/children in the classrooms or library and read. We value this initiative which encourages Australians to either rediscover or introduce themselves to the benefits of reading; to take the time to learn, escape and relax.

In children, reading has been shown to help with identity formation, setting them up for success in the future. In adults, reading has been shown to reduce stress by 68% more than listening to music, going for a walk, or having a cup of tea. We hope that you can join us from 2.30 until 3.15 (You may stay later if you like) to immerse ourselves in literature.



St. Mary's P&F Fundraiser

I would like to acknowledge as well as commend the efforts of our most enthusiastic and proactive 'Whimsical Mornings – Hanging by a Thread' committee who have put many hours of work collaborating and preparing for what promises to be a fantastic community celebration of art, humanity and parenthood. To all of our families, parishioners and local community, your contribution towards this event will be valued be it assisting, attending one of the exhibitions and/or submitting a photo. The details below are outlined on the flyer. We appreciate your interest and attention.

YOUR PHOTOS WANTED!

Have you ever had one of *those* mornings getting the kids to school?

St Mary's Primary School are inviting you to share a photo or two of your family's experiences preparing to leave the house. Whether it be getting ready for school, kinder or crèche, the park, supermarket or the family holiday. It could be funny or crazy or it might be just short of complete chaos. We want to capture it all!

Our goal is to bring people together in recognition of the moments that test us as parents and carers. In these moments may we make time to stop, laugh and discover gratitude for what is, finding solace in that we are not alone.

Your photos will be included in a community photo exhibition called 'Whimsical Mornings – Hanging by a Thread'. The event can be found on Facebook.

The exhibition will be launched at St Mary's Hall on Friday 25th October, and will be on display through to Monday 28th October.

Funds raised will go towards a new interactive outdoor play area for the children of St Mary's Primary School.



Soup & Roll Lunch

Our Parent's & Friends committee are providing a cup of soup with a roll on the last day of the term. Soup will be served from 1.00pm at a cost of \$2.00 for a cup of soup and a roll.

Communication Boards

We do our best to keep you informed about all aspects of school life. In addition to what we already do via the newsletter, Facebook, CareMonkey, Flexibuzz, school calendar, staff emails and our website, you will notice the addition of communication boards outside your children's classrooms from now and the beginning of next term. We hope that they give you a further avenue to keep informed about what is happening in your child's classroom. We ask that you make some time to read the newsletter each week. It is the central document we use to let you know about school activities as well as up and coming events.



Speech Pathologist Hayley Millard

Some of our families have already engaged the services of our 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. Your child may attend 5 visits which can be subsidised by Medicare. The Medicare rebate under the Chronic Disease Management (CDM) Program is \$53.80 per session. Families need to see their GP to

determine eligibility for a CDM plan. Hayley can provide families with more information about the CDM program, as required. You may contact Hayley directly on **0490460429** if you would like to discuss with her what she can offer your child.

Outdoor Classroom Plans

We are in the process of creating an outdoor learning/play area under the library. Our whiteboard has arrived and our blackboard is in transit. 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.



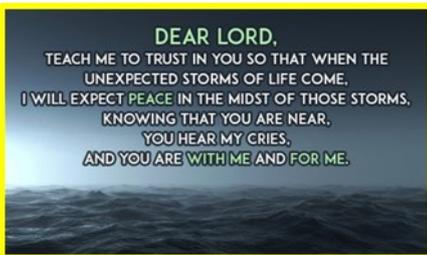
Map of Australia

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.



Second hand Uniform – Calling for Donations

If you have any of our **current** uniform items that you no longer need you may donate them to our second hand uniform cupboard. We can then pass these items on to those who need them. Thankyou.



It's Time to Enrol Now for 2020

Our numbers are increasing and we have been consistently showing new families through our school. If you know of anyone who is interested in sending their children to our school in 2020 encourage them to make contact now. This assists us with staffing and planning for next year.

Kind regards,

Bronwyn Phillips
Principal.



Holy Name of Mary Day

Thursday 12th September

Free Dress Day!

Donations of non
perishable food or
gold coin!

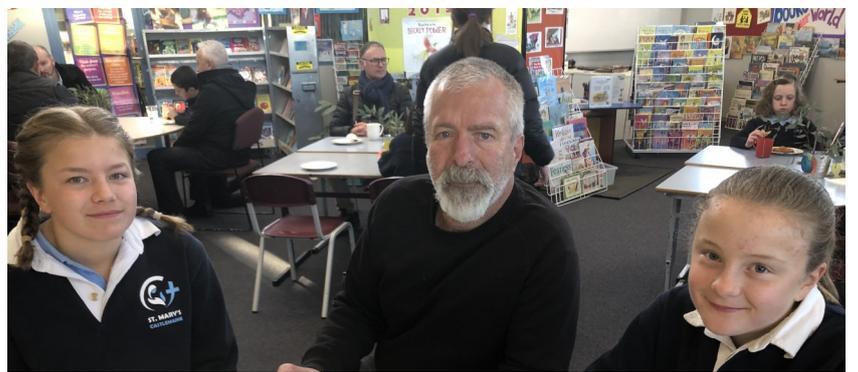
Lunch Time Disco

Join us in the Dhelkunya Dja
room for some fab songs,
awesome games and prizes!

Father's & Families Day Breakfast ...







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

Calendar Dates:-

- Wednesday 18th September – Twilight Sports, 2pm
- Thursday 19th September – P&F Meeting, staff room 9.15am
- Friday 20th September – Last day of term, Soup for lunch
- Friday 25th October - Launch Photo Exhibition launch, see *flyer to be sent home*
- Sunday 1st December - Vision Portraits Fundraiser, St Mary's School

Vision Portrait Fundraiser

**Sunday 1st December @
St. Mary’s School**

**Please see flyer and use link to
book your place! Be quick places
will fill up fast!**

**A lovely family photo to give
family and friends!**

Colgate Fundraiser

Collection will continue all year around!
Any brand accepted and please leave in a
collection box located in the foyer of the
school & Castlemaine Fitness Centre.



Be sure to **Vote DAILY** until September 30th
[https://www.terracycle.com.au/en-AU/
contests/colgategardenvoting](https://www.terracycle.com.au/en-AU/contests/colgategardenvoting)

**Footy Tipping
WINNERS!**



1st: Lawrie O’Shea \$100
2nd: Clare Grainger \$50
3rd: Chris Lane \$20

*Thank you to those who
donated their winnings
back to the school*

**PHOTO EXHIBITION
WHIMSICAL MORNINGS
– HANGING BY A THREAD**

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ences preparing to leave the house. Whether it be getting ready for
school, kinder or crèche, the park, supermarket or the family holiday.
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**SAVE THE DATE
EXHIBITION OPENING NIGHT
25th OCTOBER 6-9PM**



**SEE FLYER FOR FURTHER
DETAILS**

**SUBMISSION CLOSURE
DATE
7th OCTOBER**

Last Day of Term
Friday 20th September
Soup & Roll for lunch
provided by the P&F
\$2 per serve



**Next P&F Meeting Thursday 19th September, 9.15am, Staffroom.
All welcome!**

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
PHOTO EXHIBITION LAUNCH
FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER

St Mary's Primary School is holding a community photo exhibition to raise money for a new interactive outdoor play area for the children.

"Whimsical Mornings - Hanging by a Thread"

The theme of the exhibition is the morning chaos, at times being of a humorous nature, getting children out the door for school. Invitations will be extended to the Castlemaine and surrounding communities to submit photos of their family experiences for display. We hope that the exhibition will help normalise these chaotic mornings and show that we are not alone when things don't go to plan!

To launch the exhibition we are holding a gala evening for people from the community. This will be an opportunity to promote local businesses. Each ticket will include grazing platters, 2 glasses of wine, beer or soft drink, access to the photo exhibition and entry in lucky door prize draws. A raffle will also be run in the lead up to the event to be drawn on the evening.

We would like to extend an invitation to your business to join in this community event.

We are asking for donations towards the grazing platters or raffle. Please specify your interest in the event by filling out the below;

Raffle Donation **Yes / No [please circle]**

If yes, please specify:

Produce Donation **Yes / No [please circle]**

If yes, please specify

Please return forms by fax or email per above letterhead.

The Parents & Friends committee of St Mary's Primary School thanks you kindly for your consideration.



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: **fundraise2019**

\$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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Registration @ runthemaine.org

COME FOR THE RUN, STAY FOR THE FUN!
Bumper Ball Relay • Run Bird Run • Food Trucks & Treats
Clubroom Bar • Kids Entertainment • MCs • Live Music
from 1.30 pm — 8.30 pm (check website for details)
Camp Reserve, Castlemaine | Free Entry

NEW TWILIGHT EVENT

Main sponsors: GRANGER LEGAL, EDIFICE CONSTRUCTION, Castlemaine Toyota

Event partners: Castlemaine Health, SOFT ACCESSORIES, CPC, KR, DON, storyland, Coliban Water, rrt

Get connected — for all updates follow @runthemaine

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CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF YOUTH PROJECTS

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FEATURING A JAM-PACKED TWO DAYS OF:
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LIVE STREET ART - FREE & FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES - PARKOUR
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DJ EZU
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BENDIGO HEALTH DENTAL SERVICES

Would you like a check-up?

Call us on 5454 7994 from 8.15am Monday to Friday

Encouraging Positive Dental Experiences in Children

Dental visits are essential for everyone to maintain good health and wellbeing. Oral Health contributes significantly to your overall health.

For some adults, the thought of taking your child to see an oral health professional may create fear or anxiety.

Children do not naturally have these feelings about seeing an oral health professional. However they can learn these feelings through suggestion of others.

To help avoid creating anxious feelings in your child when attending the dentist:

- Avoid using words that indicate pain, such as **NEEDLES, DRILL, HURT, SORE**
- Avoid using bribes or telling your child to 'be brave' before arriving
- Avoid telling your child about a 'bad' experience you may have had at the dentist.

Dental treatment is far more sophisticated these days and increasingly less uncomfortable.

A positive dental experience is important. Always talk positively to your child about visiting dental services.

Book your appointment today – free for all children 0 to 12 years and no waiting list!

Level 7 East Wing, 100 Barnard Street, Anne Caudle Campus
Phone: 5454 7994
Open: Monday to Friday 8.15am to 4.45pm
Register online: www.bendigohealth.org.au/dentalservices





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

Kyneton on riverside
Official Kyneton District & Arts Festival Event



Boys Brains

Castlemaine



This workshop will give insight in to the workings of a boy's brain and how their needs are different to girls. It will provide practical strategies to help parents and carers understand boy's needs and how to meet them.

Term 3, 2019

- When:** Wednesday 11th September
- Time:** Arrival and registration 5.45pm
Session 6.00pm - 8.30pm
- Where:** Castlemaine Child Care, 15 - 17 Templeton Street, Castlemaine
- Cost:** Free
- Facilitators:** CCS Family and Relationship Services
- Childcare:** Sorry, no childcare provided

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged



For bookings and enquiries contact Rebecca Buchanan, Assistant Director, Castlemaine Child Care
on Ph: 5470 6284 or rebecca@castlemainechildcare.com.au



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

SUNDAY 1st September 2019 – Year C
TWENTY-SECOND 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

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.

WORSHIP TIMETABLE

Saturday
 Reconciliation Castlemaine 5.15pm
 Vigil Mass: Castlemaine 6.00pm

Sunday
 Reconciliation: Maldon 8.15am
 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

*"Rather, when you hold a banquet,
 invite the poor, the crippled, the
 lame, the blind; blessed indeed will
 you be because of their inability to
 repay you." – Luke 14: 13-14*

We have a difficult time with the
 concept of giving without expecting
 something in return.
 Even when we give to charity we
 often want something in return –
 a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to
 play golf or our name in print.
 Yet, as Christian stewards,
 we need to remember that
 the true reward for our giving
 awaits us in heaven?

Today's readings:

Sirach 3: 17-20, 28-29
 Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24
 Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Responsorial Psalm

**God in your goodness,
 you have made a home
 for the poor.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Take my yoke upon you;
 learn from me, for I am
 gentle and lowly in heart.
 Alleluia!



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: Annie Theresa Gleeson, Jim Lacey.

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:	\$780
2nd Collection – Parish:	\$874
Direct Debit & Credit cards:	\$40
Pledged Amount:	\$1835

GARABANDAL MEETING

Our next meeting is on
Monday 2nd September at 7.30pm
at 19A Duke street, Castlemaine.
Enquiries: Trish Bowles on 5472-2702.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Castlemaine Korus Connect Chaplaincy Support Group are having a Trivia Night on
Saturday 7th September at 7pm.

Venue: Castlemaine Secondary College Wellbeing centre, Blakely Road
Cost: \$15 per person including tea & coffee
\$45 per family (school aged children)

For more information or to book a table: contact Kim Howlett on 0407-272-935

St Mary's School P & F dates for September

• Tuesday 3rd September: Open day, 9-11am
• Wednesday 18th September: Twilight Sports
2pm

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.

Ordination to the Priesthood

On Saturday September 7 at 10am
at St Patrick's Cathedral,
Archbishop Peter will ordain four new priests for service in Melbourne. Please pray for Deacons *Andrew Choi, Nathan Rawlins, Michael Buck and Trac Nguyen* as they prepare for ordination.
All are welcome to the ordination Mass at the Cathedral to pray for these men and to rejoice in the gift of four new priests for Melbourne. On this day also the Archbishop will ordain three deacons in preparation for priestly ordination at a later date.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

THIS WEEKEND:

Priests' Retirement Foundation
This weekend we have the Annual collection for the Priests' Retirement Foundation.
Please give generously.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC

The Spring Issue is now available:
"Family Life"
Please take home your **FREE** copy today.

PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

• Tuesday 3rd September

9.00am: St Mary's school Open day
4.30pm: Legion of Mary, Buckley Rm
6.00pm: Communion service, St Mary's
• Wednesday 4th September
9.15am: Communion service & Rosary, St Mary's

• Thursday 5th September

6.00pm: Communion service,
St Brigid's

• Friday 6th September

9.15am: Communion service & Adoration, St Mary's

Father's Day Blessings

All Fathers and Grandfathers are invited to celebrate Father's Day and give thanks for the gift of Fatherhood and receive a special Blessing at all the Masses on Father's Day weekend.

Fr Wahid on Annual Leave

Fr Wahid will be away on holidays from Monday 2nd September to Friday 20th September.
Fr Paul Castley will supply at weekend Masses and communion services will be held during the weekdays.

Rosary at the Grotto

All are welcome to celebrate Our Lady's birthday and give her Roses by praying the Rosary together on Saturday 7th September at 10am at the Grotto.
P.S If it is too cold then in the Church.

Stewardship

Many thanks to everyone in the Parish for your giving each week at Church in both collections. I am so grateful for your generosity as we depend on God's providence through you. We are about to work on the Church roof and painting some areas. Please continue your great generosity. Fr wahid.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

8th September 2019
TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

6.00pm

Reader: Trish Bowles
Ext Min Com: Kathleen Tobin
Liz Carthew
Chris Turley

8.30am

Reader: Geoff McLennan
Ext Min Com: Elaine Lacey

10.30am

Reader: Justin Shortal
Ext Min Com: Betty Morris
Trish Bowles
Bernadette Mayne

LINEN ROSTER

SEPTEMBER: Julie Farrell

• Prayer for Father's Day

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young & old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

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* **HAPPY** *
* **FATHERS** *
* **DAY** *
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