

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) – **14 August 2022**



'There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, come to my aid!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 39; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings Is 66:18-21; Ps 116; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Tirso Danga, Bernadette Chetty, Adora Castillo, Lilian Song, Sr Pauline Nicholson, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Fr John Tollan, Violeta Serimogan, Anh Tran, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, Patricio Lavilla Jr, Sarah Buol, Celine Baladjay, Mervyn Moss

For the Dead

10:30am: Joan Ramos-Fabella |

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,3615.10** Presbytery: **\$578.95** *Thank you.*

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE Assistant Priest: REV. FR JOEL PEART Parish Coordinator: MR ROBERT DURAI Evangelisation Coordinator: MRS NATASHA BERCHY Baptism Coordinator: MRS MARY BORG (Tuesdays Only)

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil): 6:00pm Sunday: 9:00am, 10:30am & 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES, SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Tuesday: **7:00pm** Monday, Wednesday - Saturday: **9:30am**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Tuesday: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS 1st Friday: 7:30pm (Mass followed by adoration of Bl. Sacrament) **CONFESSIONS**: Tuesdays: 6:00pm; Saturdays:8:45am,10:00am and 5:00pm or by Appointment at any other time.

ABLAZE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (18 - 30 Years) Every Wednesday : 7:00 - 8:30pm

HOLY HOUR FOR MOTHERS Last Wednesday of the Month: 7:30 - 8:30pm LEGION OF MARY Every Monday: 7:00 – 8:30pm SRM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP Every Thursday: 7:30 – 9:00pm

PARISH PLAYGROUP Every Thursday: 10:30 – 12:00pm

ABLAZE YOUTH GROUP Fortnightly on Fridays for Youth in High School (Year 7 to 12): 7:00 - 8:30pm

SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH CHRIST THE PRIEST PRIMARY SCHOOL (Prep-Yr. 6) 54 Caroline Springs Blvd. | Phone: 93618600 (PRINCIPAL: Mrs Adele Vesty) ST GEORGE PRECA PRIMARY SCHOOL (Prep-Yr. 6) 22-48 Lancefield Drive | Phone: 7378 5500 (PRINCIPAL: Mr Jim Sheedy) CRC CAROLINE SPRINGS (Year 7-10) 10 College Street | Phone: 9217 8000 (PRINCIPAL: Mr Jamie Madigan)

For the latest updates, please visit our Parish Website and other social media platforms Website: www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au Facebook: @St.Catherine.Siena.CarolineSprings.Australia Twitter: @CS_Catholics | YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/c/carolinespringsparish



Friday 12th August 2022.

Dear fellow parishioners,

I hope this message finds you well and that you have been enjoying the sunny days that we have been having! Spring isn't too far!

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world ablaze"

CAROLINE SPRINGS

If you may recall, in last week's bulletin, I shared a little about personal faith renewal in relation to parish renewal. We live in a busy world, and quite often, our faith becomes an 'add on' to our schedule and not core to who we are and how we act. Proverbs 3:5-6 stipulates that we must "trust in the Lord with *all* your heart; don't rely on your own intelligence. Know him in *all* your paths, and he will keep your ways straight." Our faith must encompass us wholly and completely in order for us to be true disciples of Jesus. And this is a process that we will spend our entire lives working towards and perfecting.

We can strive for this kind of faith alone, however, it is too difficult as we were not designed for solitary existence. God himself, in his very nature, is a community of persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And being made in His image and likeness, we are made for community. Whilst personal prayer is crucial in building up our relationship with Jesus Christ, our faith must not remain private, it must be shared.

There are many different communities in which we can share and grow our faith. The first being the family. Much research shows that parents are the biggest influencers in passing on the faith to their children as kids rarely become what they do not see. And there is much to be said about how crucial it is that families spend time praying with and for one another however this isn't the space for that! Faith can also be shared amongst friends who can gather to pray communally and grow deeper in the knowledge and love for Jesus. However, I want to focus on sharing faith as a parish community.

What is a parish? Well, technically, it is a geographical area and local Church community within a diocese. If we go a little further, we can say that we, as a parish, are actually extensions of the body of Christ here in Caroline Springs. God has put us here, in this place, at this moment, with one another, to worship Him, love Him and serve Him.

But we might see the parish differently. We could maybe view the parish as a 'social hub?' a place where we can come and socialise and catch up with our friends every so often. Or we can maybe see it as a 'service station' where we view priests as providers of sacraments and services that we can tap into when we need or want them and then tap out when we are done. Parish can also be perceived as a 'museum' where we are so concerned with preservation of certain, unimportant things that we become stagnant and are afraid of growth and change.* I think the saddest perception we may have of the parish is one that is not welcoming and does not care.

As members of St Catherine of Siena here in Caroline Springs, our parish is what we all collectively make it. Our contributions will reflect what we can do and who we are. And we are all equally important members of this faith community, with different gifts, talents and resources to share. We have been gifted with this community in order to grow in faith and love for Jesus alongside one another.

But how invested are you in our faith community? Do you know the names of even 5 people that come along to the same Mass as you? Have you connected with any groups or events outside the Mass in order to further deepen your faith and get to know those in your faith family? My challenge for you this week is to step outside your comfort zone and say hello to that person after Mass you always see but never talk to. Get to know their name and a little about them. When hospitality is served, stay back for a cup of tea. When you do participate in the Mass, fully immerse yourself in the liturgy and know that you are worshipping your God alongside your brothers and sisters, in our parish community that God has placed us together in for a reason.

Natasha Berchy

Evangelisation Co-ordinator

*'Models of parish which hinder your mission' workshop. Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM Meeting: Discussions Summary for July

- Divine Renovation Conference Debriefing from Fr Richard and Llewy.
- Discussed and shared highlights, insights, experiences, and key notes.
 - Primacy of evangelisation
 - The best of leadership
 - Power of the Holy Spirit
- St Anne's and St John Parish visit highlights:
 - Parish formation and structure
 - Clear discipleship pathways
 - Importance of reverent liturgy, good homilies, uplifting music, fun social events, warm greeting and hospitality which reflects the call to evangelisation.
 - Clear plan to cast vision, mobilisation of leaders, sustainable structures in place for staff and volunteers.
- Proposed Forum or Town hall to present the DR conference experiences and share information with our SCS community.
 - Details/debriefing/transparency
 - Discussions and brainstorming of ideas to apply into the context of our parish community.





CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

National Vocations Awareness Week 7 - 14 August 2022

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, 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 and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

THE CATHOLIC GUY: BRUCE DOWNS KNOWING JESUS DAILY DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS

You cannot become what you do not know. Join us as we seek to dive deep into the life of Jesus to expand our understanding of who He is and help us live and become more like Him.

This FREE Daily Devotional series is presented by Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, and starts on Monday 15 August.

What people have said about the Daily Devotional Videos: *Love the spiritual knowledge packed messages that you share with all of us. Thank you for spreading this very important message in a way that I understand and look forward to daily! *I can see that God is working miracles in each of these daily devotionals, which is how I start each day. I would feel my day isn't complete without hearing and praying the word of God. Receive these short, practical, and inspiring Daily Devotional videos into your inbox to help you explore and understand who Jesus really is!

For more information, please contact me at Bruce@BruceDownes.org



SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Monday, 15 August

For Australia, this day is a holy day of obligation. Holy days of obligation are days on which the faithful are expected to attend Mass, and engage in rest from work and recreation, according to the Third Commandment.

Parish Mass Schedule

8:50am - Rosary; 9:30am - Mass 6:00pm - Rosary; 7:00pm - Mass





DIVINE RENOVATION CONFERENCE INFORMATION SESSION

Come and learn all about what Fr Richard, Ann and Llewy experienced at the Divine Renovation Conference in the US and how we can apply it to our community.

Tuesday 16th August 7:30 - 8:30pm (following the 7pm Mass) In the Church

LAST DAYS !!! 2024 CRC CAROLINE SPRINGS ENROLMENT FORM SIGNING

Applications for Year 7, 2024 is now open. All parents of current Year 5 students who are zoned to Catholic Regional College Caroline Springs have until 19 August 2022 to submit their applications for enrolment for Year 7 in 2024. **This is the final date of acceptance for applications.**

Parents who have children attending the College and have siblings in Year 5 will still need to complete an enrolment form.

You can download the application form from our College website.

https://www.crccs.vic.edu.au/enrolment-1/enrolmentprocedures

Please ensure that your FULLY COMPLETED CRC Enrolment Form has your Thanksgiving Number and it is signed by the parish priest before submitting.

LEGION OF MARY - Recruitment Drive

Legion of Mary is asking for more people to join their society. Please see them after Mass for further information.



ABLAZE YOUTH GROUP & ALPHA PROGRAM

The next Alpha Program is on Friday 19 August at CRC Hall from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. It is also when the Youth Group meets. It is open to all Year 7 to 12 students. For further enquiries, please contact:

stcatherineyg@gmail.com





This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers over 60 programs and services including counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full.

Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken.

You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

PIETY STALL ROSARY SPECIAL

St Mary of the Cross (Mary MacKillop) is Australia's only canonised Saint. In honour of her Feast Day (8th August) and Canonisation Day (17th October) and Rosary Month (October), the piety stall has her commemorative rosary beds at super special prices during July to October.



These rosary beads were designed and handmade in Italy by the Ghirelli family who have been producing rosaries for over thirty years, including the official rosaries for the last three Popes. This set features

Mary MacKillop on the central medal with her name and canonisation date on the reverse side. The Our Father medals show Our Lady, St Joseph, the Sacred Heart and Mary MacKillop's words 'Trust in God.' The crucifix is intricate, emphasising the Sacred Heart of Jesus. All the medals and links are finished in vintage bronze and the actual beads are faceted copper bohemian glass. Each rosary comes in its own keepsake pouch.

One Set	\$30 (normal price \$40)
Two Sets	\$55
Three Sets	\$75
Four Sets	\$85 (\$21.25 each; this is cost price)

This is a once only special offer - once they are gone, they are gone.

DON'T MISS OUT – GET YOURS NOW!!

SPOTLIGHT ON Manny Angel

Manny originally hails from Cebu City in the Philippines! His parents raised him and his brother to be devout Catholics, as they themselves were devoted Christians and local leaders of the Charismatic Renewal Movement. When Manny was in University, he played in a rock band that recorded two singles which gained regular airplay in Cebu radio stations. Around the same time, he also became the President of the University of San Carlos Choristers which held concerts armed with a diverse repertoire of classical, contemporary, pop and Filipino music for the benefit of the University. By profession, Manny has a commerce degree and has been a commercial banker for more than 20 years. He is married to Teng and they have two grown up daughters, Stacy and Ellise. They migrated to New Zealand in 2002 and came across the ditch in 2008, settling in Caroline Springs.

How do you serve the community here at SCS?

I serve the community here at St Catherine of Siena by co-ordinating the music ministry. This involves the rostering of musicians for the weekend Masses and special feast days / events in our liturgical calendar, overseeing the hymns and Mass settings used, as well as running training and rehearsal sessions for the musicians that serve our community. I also am the director

of one of the 9am Mass choirs.

serve in the way you do?

I serve in the way that I do because it's what I've always known. My immediate family and I have always been involved with our local parishes wherever we lived - in Cebu, in North Shore New Zealand, and now here in Melbourne, Lalso serve because L love sharing my passion with music, either through piano playing or as a vocal coach to the choir.

Why have you chosen to What are your hopes for our community here at SCS?

COVID has really affected a lot of our parishioners' lives including their service to the Church. I hope to sustain my service to the parish for many years to come and look forward to continue growing the parish music ministry again in the immediate future.

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH IS COMMITTED **TO BUILDING A CHILD-SAFE ENVIRONMENT**