



Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

(Canonically Established: 18th January 2006)

OUR PARISH VISION

"A welcoming and dynamic faith-filled Catholic Community, living and sharing the Gospel, to set the world ablaze."

3rd Sunday of Lent (Year A) – 12 March 2023



"Sir," said the woman, "give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give
me living water, that I may never thirst again.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

Today's Scripture Readings

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 94; Rom 5:1-2. 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1 Sm 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Ps 22; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

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, Paul Webb-Johnson; Christian, Giahna, Arianna D'Souza, Roberto Bascuna III

For the Dead

6:00pm: John Marangoly, Andrea O'Conner, Carmel Zammit & Family, Paul Mifsud & Family, Crisanta Lavilla Rosaldo, Gio Pamatian |
10:30am: Jacques Lo, Alain & Marie France Tse, Giuseppina Scire |
12:00pm: Alfred Rapinett

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,410.50** | Presbytery: **\$753.85 Thank you.**

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

Assistant Priest: REV. FR JOEL PEART

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:30am-1:30pm

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: 7:00pm (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

MEN'S GROUP

2nd Friday of the Month: 8:00pm (Adoration followed by fellowship)

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 (except School Holidays)

ABLAZE YOUTH GROUP

Every Friday for Youth in High School (Year 7 to 12): 6:00 - 7:30pm

SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

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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

(ACTING PRINCIPAL: Mrs Aggi Parisi)

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>



ST CATHERINE OF SIENA
CAROLINE SPRINGS

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

Friday 10th March 2023.

My dear people,

At the Parish Leadership Team (PLT) meeting last night, we spoke at length about the Parish Town Hall which will take place on 23rd March. The first aim of the Town Hall is to present officially to you our financial position as at the end of 2022. Our Parish Accountant, Mr Bernard Negline, will be here to present the figures and answer questions you may have. The PLT believes that this will be an opportunity to share with you all the amazing achievements of our parish over the past few years. We will also discuss the results of the survey that was carried out in February. We will conclude with a discussion of our plans for the future of the parish. I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

The new initiative whereby parishioners will be invited to give witness about their life of faith and their relationship with Jesus Christ will start this weekend. We look forward to hearing from Ann O'Brien who will be the first person to share with us.

We are very fortunate to have a parish retreat being run in our church next Saturday 18th March from 10:30am until 4pm. Entitled "Desire: Friendship, Love and Intimacy with God," it promises to be an amazing opportunity to have a different and deeper experience of God. We usually speak of giving something up during Lent but there is also a possibility of taking something up for Lent. Going to a full day retreat would be a great occasion of taking something up and I strongly encourage you to consider doing that. I hope to see many to you there.

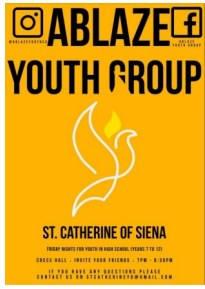
Another piece of exciting news is that our Ablaze Youth Group will now meet weekly on Fridays from 6 until 7:30pm. We have enlisted the help of the members of the Alliance of the Holy Family International who have much experience in the running of youth groups. On behalf of all of you, I would like to welcome them to the parish. We met with them last Sunday together with the current leaders of our youth group and a wonderful partnership for the leadership of our youth group was formed. Once finalised, I will communicate with you the structure of the weekly youth group of our parish.

We continue turning to our patron saint and asking for her intercession.

St Catherine of Siena, Pray for us.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr Richard Rosse PP



ABLAZE YOUTH GROUP

Starting immediately, Ablaze Youth will be having their gathering **Every Friday** at CRCCS HALL from 6 to 7:30pm. All those in high school Years 7-12 are most welcome to join in with like-minded youth. For further enquiries, please contact: stcatherineyg@gmail.com

PARISH SOUP-VAN

The parish is starting on this project as soon as possible and we are looking for more volunteers to be part of this ministry. If you are interested or would like to find out more about it, please contact Maverick on 0449529432 or mavericksequeira7@gmail.com

CHANGE OF MASS & ADORATION TIMES

Tuesdays: 28 March & 11 April

Please note that the parish daily Mass on Tuesday 28 March and 11 April will be at 9:30am instead of 7:00pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will start at 8:30am, followed by Benediction.

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW

1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes Easter Hampers

Each ticket costs \$2.00 or buy 3 for \$5.00

Tickets will be sold after all weekend masses.

Raffle will be drawn on the Easter Weekend.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVDP)

Needs Household Items Urgently

St Vincent De Paul Society is asking for a baby cot for a mother who is going to give birth soon, as well as a fridge. If you have them or you know someone who wants to get rid of them, please contact Tony Bacon at 0478 595 059. Thank you.

CHILDREN LITURGY -10:30AM MASS

Please note that the Children Liturgy at the 10:30am Mass on Sundays are for children who are in primary school, from Prep to Year 6. We thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

PARISH TOWN HALL - Thursday 23 March

There will be a parish Town Hall on Thursday 23 March at 7pm. We invite parishioners to attend this very important session.

We will be presenting our parish financial status, and also, it gives an opportunity to ask questions relating to the parish. We hope you will attend.

My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my beautiful one, and come away." - Song of Solomon 2:10

St. Catherine of Siena Caroline Springs
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO
THE PARISH RETREAT

DESIRE

Friendship, Love & Intimacy with God

On: March 18, 2023
From: 10.30am to 4pm
At: St. Catherine of Siena Church
**Tea/Coffee & Lunch will be provided*

SCHEDULE: PRAISE & WORSHIP/TALKS /INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS/HEALING/DELIVERANCE

***Follow-Up Talks to be held at the Parish on two consecutive Thursdays, March 23rd & 30th from 7:30pm - 9:30pm*

Organised by the Spiritual Renewal Ministry (SRM), a part of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR), Melbourne.

Service Team


Bobby


Rony

For more information, please contact:
Penny: 0424631163 / Ryan: 0490033774

ALLIANCE OF THE HOLY FAMILY INTERNATIONAL

Parish Visit
of the *Int'l Centennial Pilgrim Image*
of *Our Lady of Fatima*

St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Caroline Springs

Saturday, March 25
(Solemnity of the Annunciation)
and Sunday, March 26

Holy Mass Times:
(Regular Schedule)
Saturday Vigil: 6pm
Sunday: 9am, 10:30am & 12 noon

After each Mass:
- Short Talk
- Family Consecration to the Two Hearts
- Investiture of the Brown Scapular



THE URGENT CALL FOR PRAYER AND REPARATION: THE APPEAL OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

For more information please contact:
AHFI Missionaries 0404 380 305

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26
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"I invite all Christians...to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ..." Pope Francis

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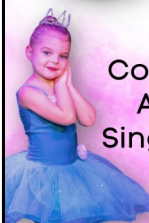
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