



Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

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OUR PARISH VISION

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

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Yr A) – 9 April 2023



"They have taken the Lord out of the tomb" she said "and we don't know where they have put him." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
**Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.**
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Ps 117; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Acts 2:42-47; Ps 117; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Tirso Danga, Bernadette Chetty, Adora Castillo, Lilian Song, Sr Pauline Nicholson, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, 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, Arturo De Jesus, Patricia McCarthy, Baby Luca

For the Dead

9:00am: Censa Haber, Georg Cassar, Sammy Bartolo, Mary & Joseph Bonnici, Iris Bourrillon, Carmelo Fenech, Rosaria Fenech, Gavin Powell |
10:30am: Fred Camilleri | **12:00pm:** Anna Fernando |

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$2088.00** | Presbytery: **\$642.10**

Thank you.

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

Assistant Priest: REV. FR JOEL PEART

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Parish Secretary: MRS MAGGIE MAZZULLO (Wed & Thur)

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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”

Thursday 6th April 2023

My dear people,

I can't believe that the Triduum and the celebration of Easter itself are upon us. It does not seem like Ash Wednesday was six weeks ago. Indeed, the 40 days of Lent seemed like a very long time on Ash Wednesday. However, we find ourselves at the threshold of the Triduum and I have found this year's Lent to have gone all too quickly.

Today, we start re-living the most wonderful events of the church's calendar beginning with the Mass of the Lord's Supper this evening. Tomorrow, we recall the events of the Passion at the Solemn Passion of the Lord and on Saturday we celebrate the very reason for our faith, the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. I invite you to enter deeply into these events this year so that they are not simply a distant memory but truly the very reason for living the way we do. At Easter, we rejoice at the victory of light over darkness. We also celebrate the new life which comes after death and Jesus Christ, in his death and resurrection, shows us that not even death has the last word. What a tremendous realisation!

This year, four members of our parish will complete their initiation into the church at the Easter Vigil. Chelsea Gatto and Mitchell Salton will celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, and will receive Holy Communion for the first time. Amy Dillon will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation and Sheena Pettigrew will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation and receive Holy Communion for the first time.. We sincerely congratulate and warmly welcome them to our community.

We are very grateful to God that we can celebrate Easter as a community. I strongly encourage all of you to avail yourselves of this wonderful opportunity to come and worship our loving God at the liturgies of the Triduum. The times for the liturgies are advertised on the website and in the bulletin. I hope to see you there.

As mentioned, at Easter, we celebrate new life. Our parish will run its fourth session of Alpha starting on 26th April this year. I highly urge you to think about attending Alpha this year. We all have gone through times in our lives when we have questioned the very meaning of life. Perhaps you are going through this right now. Perhaps your daughter or son, brother or sister, or colleague is going through this at the moment. Alpha is the best way to come to reflect on the deeper meaning of life. May I ask you to consider attending and encouraging them to attend Alpha? You and they will certainly benefit from it!

Fr Joel and I would like to take the opportunity to warmly thank each and every one of our ministry coordinators and volunteers for all their work this year so far and particularly in the preparation for Easter. I would also like to sincerely thank the parish staff without whom I simply would not be able to do what I need to do.

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Easter Tuesday 11th April. You are welcome to leave a voicemail and someone will return your call as soon as possible.

Fr Joel joins me to wholeheartedly wish you and your loved ones, near and far, a very Happy and Holy Easter. May the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus bring you joy and peace.

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

St Catherine of Siena, Pray for us.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr Richard Rosse PP



Fr Richard, Fr Joel and the Parish Staff

would like to wish all a

Happy Easter!

May your hearts be filled with the light of the Resurrection, and may you know Christ's compassion, hope and love.

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW

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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.

DIVINE MERCY FEAST DAY

Resurrection Parish in Kings Park is organising a 9-day Divine Mercy Novena from 7 April to Saturday 15 April.

3 days of the Novena (7, 8 & 9 April) are held by zoom: Meeting ID 3458047301 Passcode: 5CH7BI ; Time: 7pm

For the remaining 6 days, the novena will be held in the Church at 7pm.

Feast Day: Sunday 16 April

Program: Confession (2:15pm - 3pm); Rosary (2:30pm); Divine Mercy Chaplet (3pm), followed by Mass.

Address: Parish, 51 Gum Road, Kings Park

2024 PREP ENROLMENTS

CHRIST THE PRIEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

CtP school will be holding an Information Session for parents who are interested in enrolling their children at Christ the Priest for the year 20234 This information session will be held in the School Hall at **6:30pm on Wednesday, 10 May 2023.**

Enrolment packs are available from the front office and school tours can be booked via the school website; <https://www.ctpcs.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/>

CHANGE OF MASS & ADORATION TIMES

Tuesday 11 & 25 April

Please note that the parish daily Mass on Tuesday 11 and 25 April will be at 9:30am instead of 7:00pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will start at 8:30am, followed by Benediction.

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN OF CATECHETICAL AGE

Preparation classes for children of catechetical age, 8 years and above who have not been baptised and live within our parish, will begin on Saturday 29 April at 10:30am. For more information, please call the parish office.

PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

The Parish Feast Day will be celebrated on 6 May 2023 at CRC Cafeteria from 7:00pm onward. There will be a spit roast for dinner. **Ticket price: Adult - \$20.00 & Child - \$15.00.** Tickets will be sold from next weekend. More details to follow soon.



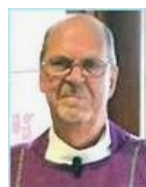
THE ALPHA COURSE

Alpha

The Alpha program is a chance for those who have faith to deepen their faith and for those who do not yet know God to come to know God. If you have already completed Alpha, be a helper.

9 Week Series
Commences 26 April

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VALE FATHER JOHN TOLLAN

With the deepest sadness, I advise that Father John Tollan, our founding Parish Priest from 2006-2016, passed away on Monday 27th March in Auckland, New Zealand. His funeral was held on Friday 31st March with internment at Panmure Cemetery. Father John had been battling early onset dementia over the last twelve months and suffered a number of seizures during the last month. May he Rest in Peace in the arms of our Heavenly Father.

Pat Gurrie

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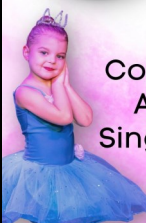
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