



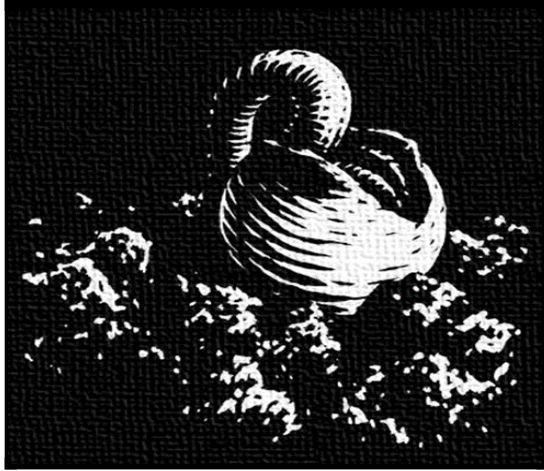
# Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

(Canonically Established: 18<sup>th</sup> January 2006)

## OUR PARISH VISION

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

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 23 July 2023



*"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field." (Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.  
Alleluia!

### Today's Scripture Readings

Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 85; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1 Kgs 3:5,7-12; Ps 118; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52

### 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, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, Patricio Lavilla Jr, Sarah Buol, Christian, Giahna & Arianna D'Souza, Roberto Bascuna III, Arturo De Jesus, Patricia McCarthy, Baby Luca, Obi Obi, Eleonor Rivera-Mendoza, Fiona Rozario, Gloria Ng

#### For the Dead

6:00pm: Marcelino Cordero Cordova, Agatha Beautler |  
9:00am: Gavin Powell, Olive Knight |

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,513.40** | Presbytery: **\$788.50** Thank you.

## CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

**Parish Priest:** REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

**Parish Coordinator:** MR ROBERT DURAI

**Parish Secretary:** MRS MAGGIE MAZZULLO (Tue - Thur)

**Evangelisation Coordinator:** MS NIMMI CANDAPPA

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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

3rd 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: 7:00 - 8:30pm

### 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

**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

(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](http://www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au)

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**ST CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
CAROLINE SPRINGS

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

Friday 21st July 2023

My dear people,

We are very fortunate to have a Youth Group in our parish in Ablaze Youth Group. As I mentioned several weeks ago, our youth group sessions are now led by members of the Alliance of the Holy Family International. I am pleased to report that they have been going very well over the past couple of months since meeting weekly. In order to help with their ongoing activities, the Youth Group is organising a fund raiser on Saturday 5th August 2023. I invite you to put this date in your diaries now. It will be a fun night of trivia and will provide an opportunity for the parish to come together for some fellowship.

We are likewise fortunate to have a Men's Group in our parish. The format of our Men's Group has changed a lot since it first started back in 2018. We are going to start with a new system as follows: A short period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for half an hour which will include a brief homily and the celebration of the Sacrament of Confession. It will finish with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed by supper in the presbytery. At different times, we will invite members to share a particular topic with us whether that be a hobby, previous life experiences, or any topic they want to share with the group. The Men's Group will meet on the third Friday of the month starting at 8pm and the next meeting will be on tonight here at the church.

I am pleased to inform all of you that we will have the Relic of Our Lady of Tears with us for a novena starting from this weekend. It is the same relic which has been with us twice now but only for weekend Masses on both occasions. Some of the Masses during the novena will be followed by prayers for the intercession of Our Lady of Tears. The exact details are in the bulletin, and I invite you to check them there. It is indeed a blessing that we were able to secure the relic for nine days. Let us commend our petitions, intentions and prayers to our Lady under her title of Our Lady of Tears.

I am pleased to announce that we will be organising a parish mission to be held here from 28th to 30th August. The archdiocese has invited Mr John Pridmore to lead the missions in five parishes of the archdiocese and we are one of them. The title of the mission is “Gangland to Promised Land – Melbourne Tour.” Please refer to the flyer in the bulletin as well as in the gathering space for more information. I will provide more details over the next few weeks, but for now, I invite you to put these dates in your diary.

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  
Parish Priest

## PARISH FAMILY DAY

Join the parish community for an afternoon of fun and faith for the whole family.

St Catherine of Siena Parish will hold a special family day on Sunday 6th of August after the 10:30am Mass until 2:30pm. Families are invited to gather in the CRC Hall for lunch, games, activities and talks for parents and children, facilitated by AHFI Missionaries.

Please bring a plate to share. RSVP: AHFI Missionaries 0404 380 305

## MINISTRY OF COLLECTORS

Starting from 5 / 6 August

Starting from the weekend of 5 / 6 August, collections will be taken during Masses. This practice was stopped during the COVID pandemic and we are reactivating it. The 1st collection (presbytery) will be taken up during the offertory, and the 2nd collection (church) after Holy Communion. If there is a 3rd collection, that will be taken up immediately after the 2nd collection. If you are interested to be part of this ministry, please call Maggie in the office or send email: [maggie.jooste@cam.org.au](mailto:maggie.jooste@cam.org.au)

## COME AND SEE!

Starting on Saturday 5 August



It is not too late to join if you or somebody you know is interested in

becoming a Catholic. Or want to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic. The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is starting on **Saturday 5 August**. For more details, please call the parish office and speak to Fr Richard.

## BIBLE STUDY

Starts Monday 24 July @ 7pm

Lectio Prayer 'Finding Intimacy with God' captures the secret to opening our hearts and minds to Scripture as the means to hear from God and then respond in conversation, basking in his presence and resolving to live in and through his love. **Starts 24th of July and ends 28th of Aug at 7pm**. The program format covers engaging and thought-provoking video sessions accompanied with study guide for participants to lead them further into the study of prayer.

## PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 5th of August

Ablaze Youth Group will be hosting their 2nd Annual Parish Trivia Night on Saturday 5th of August. Doors will open at 7pm and trivia will start at 7:30pm at the CRCCS Cafeteria.

Tickets are on sale now in the gathering space. This is a fundraising project by the group. Please support them. Thank you.

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**28 -30 August**

**7:30pm—8:30pm**

**St Catherine of Siena Parish**

**'OUR LADY OF TEARS' VISITS OUR PARISH  
22nd - 30th July 2023**

*70 Years*  
*Lacrimation Anniversary*  
**OUR LADY OF TEARS**  
**MADONNA DELLE LACRIME**



In 1953 in Siracusa, Sicily, Madonna delle Lacrime, Our Lady of Tears, CRIED REAL HUMAN TEARS for 3 Days, from 29<sup>th</sup> August; She stopped weeping on the 1st of September 1953. This was declared a Phenomenal MIRACLE. MANY INSTANT MIRACLES TOOK PLACE. The Sicilian Episcopate, presided by Ernesto Card. Ruffini on December 12, 1953 declared the Lacramation Tears of Mary in Siracusa **AUTHENTIC**: "One cannot doubt the reality of this lacramation"  
Ecclesiastically & Formally APPROVED by Pope Pius XII on October 17 1954



**St Catherine of Siena Parish**  
**Special 70th Anniversary Celebration**  
**9 Day Novena & Mass**  
**Honouring the Holy Lacrimation Tears of**  
**Madonna delle Lacrime,**  
**Our Lady of Tears**

President, Fr Richard Rosse Parish Priest  
28 College Street, Caroline Springs  
All Welcome

### 9 Day Novena & Mass Schedule

1. Saturday 22 July Mass & Novena 6pm,
2. Sunday 23rd July Mass & Novena 12pm
3. Monday 24th July Mass & Novena 7pm,
4. Tuesday 25th July Mass & Novena 7pm,
5. Wednesday 26th July Mass & Novena 7pm,
6. Thursday 27th July Mass & Novena 7pm,
7. Friday 28th July Mass & Novena 7pm,
8. Saturday 29th July Mass & Novena 6pm,
9. Sunday 30th July Mass & Novena 12pm

Our parish is hosting the image of 'Our Lady of Tears' including the relic. It is a 9-day Novena with Mass and prayers. Please refer to posters for more information.

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