



# 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."*

## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 3 September 2023



*"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me." (Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.**

Alleluia!

### Today's Scripture Readings

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 62; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 94; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

### 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, Gloria Ng, Maximo Claudio Jr

#### For the Dead

**6:00pm:** Domnik Farina, Mable & Rudi Kosta | **9:00am:** Durai Anthonisamy | **10:30am:** Fred Camilleri | **12pm:** |

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,345.50** | Presbytery: **\$635.70** *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

### POSTAL ADDRESS

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### CHURCH, PRESBYTERY and OFFICE

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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** (except on Public Holidays: **9:30am**)

*Monday, Wednesday - Saturday:* **9:30am**

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Tuesday:* 6:00pm - 7:00pm (except on Public Holidays: **8:30am**)

### 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.

### MEN'S GROUP

*3rd Friday of the Month:* 7:00pm (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

(PRINCIPAL: Mr Michael Ozburn)

**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)

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 1st September 2023

My dear people,

What a wonderful and life changing experience the Parish Mission has been! I particularly liked one comment from a participant, "this was the best thing that ever happened in our parish." I must say I agree with it. In my six years here, no talk had attracted such a large crowd. I hope and pray that everyone who participated had a great experience of God's love, mercy, and healing, which were the themes of each of the nights. I, for one, was deeply moved by the "healing session" of the last night. I would like to thank John Pridmore for the wonderful way in which he led the Parish Mission. I also thank everyone who was involved in the preparation of every night's activities. It would be wonderful to record more testimonies from parishioners who came to the Parish Mission. I invite you to send an email to the parish office if you are able to do that. If you would like your testimony to remain anonymous, kindly leave a note in the letterbox at the front of the presbytery.

We congratulate and continue to pray for our younger parishioners in Grade 4 who will receive their first Holy Communion over the next few weekends. Most of these will take place at the 6pm, 9am and 10:30am Masses. Seats will be reserved for the first communicants and their families for these Masses. As these children progress to this most significant part of the initiation into the catholic faith, let us pray for a renewed sense of the presence of God in their lives and an increase in their desire to be disciples of our Lord.

As mentioned before, Natasha Berchy has resigned from the position of Evangelisation Coordinator. I sincerely thank Natasha for the wonderful contributions she has made to our parish in her very short time in the position. She leaves behind a great legacy which will influence many of the activities of our parish in terms of evangelisation. Natasha is not leaving the parish altogether and as a parishioner, will continue to have an input in the life of the parish. The position of Evangelisation Coordinator has been advertised and details regarding how to apply are in the bulletin.

On 28<sup>th</sup> October this year, there will be a Fund Raising Concert for our parish. It will be a Live Show Tribute to Elvis Presley at the Performing Arts Centre of CRC, on site here. More details available at [ELVIS - Greatest Hits Tickets \(123tix.com.au\)](https://www.123tix.com.au). The funds raised will go towards helping with the operational costs of running our parish. With the increase in interest rates over the past several months, the costs of financing the loan for the church have increased and we need another form of income to help with these costs. Your generosity will go a long way and is very appreciated.

I would like to let you know that I will be away from the parish for my annual from 18<sup>th</sup> September to 15<sup>th</sup> October this year. This year, Fr David Cartwright, Fr Greg Bellamy and I are off to Europe where we will visit England, Italy, Greece, France and Scotland. Fr Frank Buhagiar will be here for Mass and Confession from Monday to Saturday and one of the Columban Fathers from Essendon will be here for the three Masses on Sunday.

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

## NO FRIDAY 8:00AM MASS - 8 SEPT

Please note that there will be **No 8:00am Mass** on Friday 8 September.

**PRIESTS RETIREMENT  
FOUNDATION**  
AND  
RETIRED PRIESTS SUPPLEMENT FUND  
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## FATHER'S DAY COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY

The Foundation cares for our sick and retired Melbourne priests. **Please give generously to the Appeal. A third collection will be taken up after Communion.** There are envelopes available too.

Or donate electronically by logging on to:  
<https://melbournecatholic.org/foundation>



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION St George Preca Primary School

We congratulate and pray for our young people from St George Preca Primary School who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend.

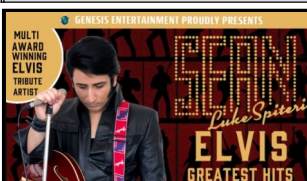
**SATURDAY, 6PM:** Flynn Bellino, Olivia Fullarton, Nikola Blazevic, Malak Jahola, Evelyn Nguyen.

## REVIVE - SRM RETREATS

A well known speaker and an evangelist, Br Stanley Joseph, the Director & International Mission Head from India, is in Melbourne giving talks at different churches and a retreat at Coonawarra Farm Resort in August and September.

**He is giving a talk in our parish on Thursday 7 September from 7 to 9:30pm.**

Please refer to the poster or flyers for more details.



## ELVIS - GREATEST HITS A FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Sean Luke Spiteri, a multi-award winner, pays tribute to Elvis Presley at the peak of his career and celebrates the years of Presley in this concert. The show will feature The King's Greatest Hits from the 1960's, 1968' Comeback Special, 1970 Las Vegas period and touring years. Backed by a spectacular 9-piece band, be mesmerised by this stunning lighting show. **A must for all ELVIS FANS!**

Venue: **CRC Performing Arts Centre (Theatre)**

Date: **Saturday, 28 October 2023**

Show Time: **8:30pm (Doors open from 7:30pm)**

Ticket Price: \$56.00 (Adults);

Concession/Seniors : \$51.00

To make a booking, go to: [ELVIS - Greatest Hits Tickets \(123tix.com.au\)](https://www.123tix.com.au) or call 1300 001 238



## DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the dedication of the church, we are organising a Cultural Day at CRC Mackillop Building on **Sunday 17th September** after the 12pm Mass.

Please register your name on the sign up sheet in the gathering space, and bring a plate to share that would represent your cultural background. If you are able to perform a cultural activity as part of the entertainment, please contact Gordon Ross or Tess White.

## FAMILY ENRICHMENT AUSTRALIA

Family Enrichment Australia invites you to a workshop for parents on the topic of **"Raising Children in the Faith in Today's Culture"**. Author, renowned speaker and former principal Dr. Andy Mullins will be presenting on **Sunday, September 10** at St. Catherine of Siena **meeting room from 2-4pm**. The cost is \$10 per person. Afternoon tea is included.

Due to the dynamics of the workshop, this is a parent only event (nursing infants welcome). Limited number of tickets available, please RSVP and register via QR Code or contact Tara 0434 636 719 by Sep 6 for more information.



## EVANGELISATION COORDINATOR

### St Catherine of Siena, Caroline Springs

The parish is looking for a suitable candidate for the above role. This is a permanent position and is based at the Parish office in Caroline Springs. The role is for 20 hours per week. Terms and conditions of employment are governed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. For more details, please go to:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

## HEALTHY BODY, HEALTHY SPIRIT

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Experience personal reflection, prayer, and meditation while building a supportive community within the parish. Let's journey together towards an improved healthy lifestyle and a deeper connection with God. Don't miss this enlightening opportunity to shine brightly together! See you there!

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TO BUILDING A CHILD-SAFE ENVIRONMENT**



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