



# 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."*

## 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 10 September 2023



*"For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them." (Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
**God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and  
the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.**  
Alleluia!

### Today's Scripture Readings

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

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 102; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

### 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, Karmnu Falzon

#### For the Dead

**6:00pm:** John & Pauline Debono, Karmnu & Marigwan Buttigieg, Emmanuel Azzopardi, Gwen Fraser, Victor Marianayagam | **9:00am:** |  
**10:30am:** Grace Maiolo | **12pm:** Prisco & Nicomedes Frias, Norma Sumook

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$2077.00** Presbytery: **\$839.85**  
Parish Mission **\$481.00 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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Website: [www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au](http://www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au)

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 8th September 2023

My dear people,

Throughout the church, today, we celebrate the Feast of the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Many people have shared with me how much of a solemn event it is in their country of birth and we celebrate and rejoice together because of this great feast. Together with the birth of Our Lord, the birth of Our Lady and the birth of St John the Baptist are the only births celebrated in the liturgical calendar. This points to the important role that Our Lady plays in the history of salvation. We are reminded of her fidelity which we are to imitate. We are also reminded that she is our mother in heaven, and we can always turn to her for her intercession for all the desires in our hearts. Happy Feast Day!

We congratulate and continue to pray for our younger parishioners in Grade 4 who will receive their first Holy Communion over the next two 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.

A wonderful celebration of our parish occurs this month namely, the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of our Church. To celebrate this wonderful event, our Social Committee is organising a gathering immediately after the 12pm Mass on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September. They have asked that it be a “Bring and Share.” We are kindly asking that you write your name down on the signup sheet in the gathering space and that you indicate there what you intend to bring. This will help with organising the catering for the day. I thank you in advance and look forward to seeing you there next Sunday.

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.

A reminder that that I will be away from the parish for my annual leave 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



SAVE THE DATE  
ALPHA STARTING ON...

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## 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.



## 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:** Archer Millen, Alannah Attard, Yohanna Espina, Harrison Cobbin, Candice Hua, Gianna Choy, Victoria Ellul.

**SUNDAY, 9:00AM:** Drayden Jo, Oscar Hurmez, Joshua Baudaccio, Sophia West, Brandon Catania, Jessica Fenech, Charlotte Catania, Rashen Badalge, Mara Vivas Antolinez, Mabrile Rubenio.

**SUNDAY, 10:30AM:** Niko Razov, Carolina Alves, Sienna Slarko, Dylan Cauchi, Jonah Attard, Mateus Gal, Ethan Scarpaci, Faith Ho, Tomislav Mioc, Liana Babic, Jeremy Kiomall, Mikayla Gasovski, Olivia Attard.

## MEN'S GROUP GATHERING

The parish men's group is meeting on Friday 15 September. It starts with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession from 7pm to 7:30pm followed by fellowship. All men are welcome to attend.

## HEALTHY BODY, HEALTHY SPIRIT

Have you ever thought of being healthy in both body and spirit? Then come to "Healthy Body, Healthy Spirit: Faith and Wellness Workshops"! Join like-minded Catholic adults and older adults in an enriching 5-part program, designed to empower with practical tools for a fulfilling life. Uncover the five key pillars of S.H.I.N.E. - Sleep & Stress management, Hurdle management, Introspection, Nutrition, and Exercise. **Dates: 13,20,27 Sept & 4 Oct in the meeting rooms, from 7 to 8pm.** 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!



## 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

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