



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."

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 22 October 2023



He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.' (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give the Lord glory and honour.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.**

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Is 45:1,4-6; Ps 95; 1 Thes 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ex 22:20-26; Ps 17; 1 Thes 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Bernadette Chetty, 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

For the Dead

6:00pm: Gatt & Sammut Families | **9:00am:** Joan Ramos-Fabella |

10:30am: Emmanuel Espina, Eve Anna Arcalas |

12:00pm: Maximo Claudio Jr. |

FRIDAY 8:00AM MASS

We have started to celebrate **Friday 8:00AM MASS** for this school term. You are most welcome to attend.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$ 3,806.50** | Presbytery: **\$970.00** *Thank you.*

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

Parish Coordinator: MR ROBERT DURAI

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

Facebook: @St.Catherine.Siena.CarolineSprings.Australia



ST CATHERINE OF SIENA
CAROLINE SPRINGS

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

Friday 20th October 2023

My dear people,

How wonderful it is to be back! I returned home on Sunday afternoon after a wonderful holiday, which was very restful. As mentioned before, I was in England, Italy, Greece, France and Scotland. One the highlights was visiting the Parthenon in Athens. The Parthenon on Acropolis Hill was at different times, a temple, a church and served several more purposes. I was moved by the fact that for 2,500 years, people have gone there for different reasons and that it is still attracting visitors in our days. Another highlight was the visit to my cousins in France, to experience and share in their lives for a few days.

As announced previously, Ann O'Brien has been appointed as the new Evangelisation Coordinator of the parish, starting from 26th October 2023. I look forward to working with Ann and to her contributions to the parish in her role as our Evangelisation Coordinator. As Ann starts in the role, Nimmi leaves us and her last day will be on Tuesday 24th October. We thank Nimmi for all the various ways in which she contributed to the parish in her role.

On Saturday 28th October, 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 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 other forms of income to help with these costs. Your generosity will go a long way and is very appreciated. There is only a week left and if you have not already bought your ticket, I strongly urge you to do so.

The next meeting of the Men's Group will be on 27th October. We will start with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm followed by Benediction at 7:45pm. During that time, the Sacrament of Confession will be available. Fr David Cartwright will be here to help with Confessions. This will be followed by supper in the presbytery.

Year 12 exams will start next week. Let us join in prayer for all our parishioners who will be sitting for their Year 12 exams. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will help them remember all they have learnt and that he will give them the peace they need to approach their exams in serenity.

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

90TH BIRTHDAY: FR KARMEL BORG

There will be a 90th Birthday celebration for Fr Karmel Borg at St Peter Chanel Parish, Deer Park on **Saturday 28th October**. Mass starts at 12pm followed by a reception in the hall. **Please bring a plate to share.** Thank you.

SATURDAY MORNING WALK

Looking to start your Saturday with a dose of fresh air and a dash of exercise? Look no further! You are invited to join us every Saturday morning at 8 am for a leisurely walk around the picturesque Caroline Springs Lake.

After our invigorating walk, we gather at a nearby local café for some well-deserved refreshments and friendly conversation. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners and build lasting friendships.

Whether you're a seasoned walker or just looking to stretch your legs, all are welcome! So grab your runners, bring a friend, and meet us, next to Slices by the lake, on Saturdays.

LAST FEW DAYS TO BOOK TICKETS!



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

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

All Saints - Wednesday 1 November

Mass Times - 9:30am & 7:30pm

All Souls - Thursday 2 November

Mass Times - 9:30am & 7:30pm

PLENARY INDULGENCE: November is a special time for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the *Lord's Prayer & The Creed*. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions (Norms 15,17)



BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

November for Catholics is the time we remember in prayer our deceased relatives and friends, and all who have died. Our special **"Book of the Names of the Dead"** will be available next weekend.

We invite you to write the names of your loved ones who have died in the past **12 months**. The book will then be placed before the altar during all Masses in November as we remember them before the Lord.

NOVEMBER ENVELOPES FOR THE DEAD

Envelopes for the November Masses for the dead are available in the foyer. Please write their names on the envelope and place them in the basket at either collection or submit them to the parish office.

Please note: The names of the dead will neither be in the bulletin nor announced during Masses.

PIETY STALL

It is only **9 more weeks** until Christmas. Columban Calendars (\$10) and Christmas Cards (\$2.50 for a pack of 8) are available now and more items will be available as they arrive.

MEN'S GROUP GATHERING

The parish men's group is meeting on Friday 27 October. It starts with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession from 7pm to 7:45pm followed by fellowship. All men are welcome.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL

October 21st/22nd 2023

Walk with Sr Carolina as she guides the community of Venilale to good health.



Reach out. Give life.

Thank you for choosing to support the work of Catholic Mission and for sharing the important and vital work of missionaries with your parishioners. This year, we invite you to partner with the essential work of the community and Church in Timor-Leste as they look to address the gaps in care and empower the community to take control of their health through the presence of the missionary Sisters and their well-trusted health clinic. **A 3rd Collection will be taken up immediately after the 2nd Collection this weekend.**

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