



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.”

1st Sunday of Lent (Year B) – 18 February 2024



“The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan.” (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth
to those who keep your covenant.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every
word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Today's Scripture Readings

Gen 9:8-15; Ps 24; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Ps 115; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Lilian Song, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Violeta Serimogan, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, Patricio Lavilla Jr, Sarah Buol, Christian, Giahna & Arianna D'Souza, Arturo De Jesus, Patricia McCarthy, Baby Luca, Obi Obi, Eleonor Rivera-Mendoza, Gloria Ng, Edwin Dragwidge, Sheldon Rodrigues

For the Dead

6:00pm: Ray Forbes, Shirley Herft, Josephin Fernando, Christine Eimermacher, Rapinett & Attard Families | **9:00am:** Joseph & Mary Bonnici | **12:00pm:** Eduarda Claudio |

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,686.30** | Presbytery: **\$895.50**

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 ANN O'BRIEN

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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

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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

(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 16th February 2024

My dear people,

This weekend, we will conduct the survey to determine the change of Mass times in the parish. As mentioned in my letter dated 14th December 2023, the survey will ask you to decide one of two options. The options will be **either** 8am, 10am and 12pm, **or** 8:30am, 10:30am and 12:30pm. We will go with the option which shows itself as the preferred one and thus the consensus from the parish survey. For those not attending Mass here on the weekend, an opportunity will be provided for you to have your say.

As the joyful Season of Lent has started, the following are some ways in which you can add to your prayer life for Lent this year. We will pray the Stations of the Cross together every Friday during Lent at 10am (immediately following the 9:30am Mass), and at 7pm. During the Season of Lent, there will also be the Bible Study on Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the meeting rooms.

Our monthly parish BBQ will start again on Sunday 25th February this year and will be at 1pm. You are all most welcome. It would be great to see many people there and we hope that those who have not attended the 12pm Mass will return for some fellowship.

Our First Men's Group for this year will occur this evening. It will start with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30pm (immediately after the 7pm Stations of the Cross). We will have a period of Adoration when the Sacrament of Confession will be available, and Fr David Cartwright will be here for that. We will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:15pm and supper at the presbytery.

As we begin the new year, the PLT will have a planning day on Saturday 24th February. I invite you to pray for us as we dedicate a day to discern what is best for the parish in terms of missionary renewal. I try my best to have an open-door policy in the way the parish is managed. I sincerely encourage you to share with me any ideas, concerns, or feedback you may have. If you feel uneasy talking to me, kindly talk to another member of the PLT or a member of the parish staff.

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

Stations of the Cross




EVERY FRIDAY - 10.00AM & 7.00PM
FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY TO
FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."



Bible Study

LENTEN PROGRAM 2024
SUNDAY SCRIPTURES



EACH TUESDAY
STARTING
13TH FEBRUARY
7:30 PM

CONCLUDES
TUESDAY 26TH MARCH

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LENTEN PROGRAM 2024

St Catherine of Siena Catholic Parish
28 College St Caroline Springs (in the Church meeting room)

SHRINES OF OUR LADY PILGRIMAGE 2024

The Holy Land pilgrimage that was planned for May 2024 is now cancelled due to the war. Instead we are planning to visit the shrines of Our Lady like Fatima and Lourdes, and the shrines of significant saints including our own Patron Saint, St Catherine, in Siena. The pilgrimage will be from 21 May to 3 June 2024. Please book before 30 Jan 2024. For the itinerary, call or email the office and it will be sent to you. For more details and bookings, please call Magi Pilgrimages at 1300 721 561.

OFFICE TELEPHONE

Please take note that the office phone is out of order at the moment. Until the phone line is restored, we cordially ask you to send an email to the parish office. We apologise for the inconvenience.

2024 Sacrament Programme - Society of Christian Doctrine

The program is for children who live within our parish boundary and are attending government or private schools. We will also consider those who live outside our parish boundary but attends Mass here regularly. The enrolment and information session as follows:

When: Tuesday, 20 February 2024
Time: 7:00 - 8.00pm
Where: CRC Cafeteria

Please contact the Preca Community, email: Angelo.abela@bigpond.com

IMPORTANT:
For first time enrolments, please provide a copy of the child's Baptism certificate.

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ABLAZE

YOUTH GROUP


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