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."

5th Sunday of Lent (Year B) – 17 March 2024



A voice came from heaven, I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, It was an angel speaking to him.' (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Today's Scripture Readings

Jer 31:31-34; Psalm 50; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Is 50:4-7; Psalm 21; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

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, Giahnna & Arianna D'Souza, Arturo De Jesus, Patricia McCarthy, Baby Luca, Obi Obi, Eleonor Rivera-Mendoza, Gloria Ng, Edwin Dragwidge, Sheldon Rodriques, Sam Simmons

For the Dead

6:00pm: Jude Jeniston | 9:00am: Censa Haber, Anthony Farrugia, Rick Castellas | 10:30am: Rocco Logozzo | 12:00pm: Mario Simiele |

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,885.50** | Presbytery: **\$915.50** *Thank you.*

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

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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)

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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



Friday 15^{th} March 2024

My dear people,

A gentle reminder that the Mass times change option chosen by most people was Option 2 – 8.30am, 10.30am & 12.30pm and this change will take effect from Sunday 7th April. Ann has also completed a review of the few additional comments given on the survey which mainly relate to us giving consideration to a Sunday evening Mass. Whilst this is not something we have considered for the foreseeable future; we will take the comments into consideration again when we review the effectiveness of the Mass times changes. Again, I would like to sincerely thank all of you for the wonderful way in which you participated in the survey. In the meantime, we continue our conversations between the Ministry Coordinators and members of ministries involved in the celebration of Mass as we prepare for the change. Please know that I am available for any questions you may have.

CAROLINE SPRINGS

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

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

During this joyful Season of Lent, the following are some ways in which you can add to your prayer life:

- Join us in praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 10am (immediately following the 9:30am Mass) and at 7pm.
- Attend Bible Study on Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the meeting rooms.

The Holy Week and Easter Timetable for 2024 has been published in this weekend's bulletin and on our website. You can also find it in the gathering space.

Our Second Men's Group for this year will occur this evening Friday 15th March. We will start with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30pm (immediately after the 7pm Stations of the Cross). There will be 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. Mr David Powick will be our guest speaker and he will speak to the men about healing, particularly during the Season of Lent.

Our parish will host the Novena to the Divine Mercy this year. The novena will start on Good Friday 29th March and conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday 7th April, with a special Mass at 3pm on that day (in addition to our regular Sunday Masses). Further details are on the poster in the gathering space, in the bulletin and on the website. There will also be a sign-up sheet for required ministries for Divine Mercy Sunday for which you are invited to put your name down.

On Good Friday, at 7:30pm, we will pray Tenebrae, which is the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer of Holy Saturday. Bishops, priests, deacons, and all in religious life must pray the Divine Office, also known as the Liturgy of the Hours every day. On Good Friday in the evening, it is customary to combine these two offices in Tenebrae and the whole church is invited to participate. It is a wonderful way to pray and meditate on the death of Jesus, a death which he underwent for the forgiveness of our sins.

All of you on the mailing list received a PLT Update on Tuesday. It highlighted for you what we, as a PLT, are doing and aiming to achieve for the parish in terms of missionary renewal. For those of you not on the mailing list, please be advised that the update is on the notice board in the gathering space. We had a most fruitful Leadership Summit with all ministry coordinators and two of their members last night where we discussed shaping the culture of all ministries in such a way that a missionary culture permeates all our ministries and groups.

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

MASS INTENTIONS - HOLY WEEK (PALM SUNDAY TO EASTER VIGIL)

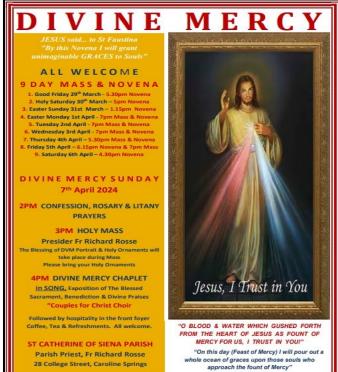
Please note that **it will not be possible to take** any Mass intentions for Holy Week, starting from Saturday 23 March (Palm Sunday) until the following Saturday 30 March (Easter Vigil) due to the differences in the liturgy from the ordinary Sunday Masses. Thank you for your understanding.



CASH DONATIONS: FLOWERS FOR EASTER

We welcome any cash donations to defray the costs of buying flow-

ers for Easter celebration. Please indicate as 'Easter Flowers' on the envelope when you give a donation. Thank you.



ST BERNADETTE LENTEN MISSION -JESUS & FRIENDS!

Previously known as The Maltese Mission (Ezercizzi tar-Randan), this year's Lenten Mission at St Bernadette Parish Church (59, Westmoreland Rd., Sunshine North) will be delivered in English.

Date: Tuesday 19th to Friday 22nd March 2024 Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Venue: St Bernadette Parish Church, Sunshine North

As we journey through Lent, we become more aware of the fact that we are not as close to Him as we would like to be. There is so much that pulls us away. That's everyone's experience. Let us reflect on this reality with the help of some of Jesus' friends.

Everyone is welcome. Fr Silvio and team will be leading.

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN OF CATECHETICAL AGE

Preparation classes for children of catechetical age, 8 years and above who have not been baptised and live within our parish, will be starting soon. For more information, please call the parish during office hours.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

We need Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) for the Holy Week liturgies. We would like to have as many volunteers as possible to participate. Thank you.

MELBOURNE PASSION PLAY 2024



The Melbourne Passion Play re-enacts the journey of Jesus Christ's life from Palm Sunday to his crucifixion. The Play will be performed at the Holy Cross Centre, 207 Serpells Road, Templestowe. The event is **free of**

charge and will take place on Palm Sunday (24 March 1:30pm) and Good Friday (29 March at 10am). Free parking

will also be available. <u>Free bus transportation</u> to and from the event is organised for <u>Palm Sunday per-</u><u>formance only</u> from Caroline Springs Parish. For the free bus trip, please register in the sign-up sheet in the gathering space **by this weekend.** For more info, please contact Dawn on 0411957164.

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