



# 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."*

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Yr B) – 24 March 2024



*Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out:  
"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"  
(Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
Christ became obedient for us even to death dying  
on the cross. Therefore, God raised him on high  
and gave him a name above all other names.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

### Today's Scripture Readings

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

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Psalm 117; Col 3:1-4; Mk 16:1-7

### 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, Sam Simmons

### **Recently Passed Away**

Mohd Ismail Bin Omar

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1595.35** | Presbytery: **\$557.20**

**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

**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 Ozbun)

**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



**ST CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
CAROLINE SPRINGS

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

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

- 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. As we prepare to enter this most solemn time of the church's calendar, I invite you to open your heart to enter fully in these decisive events through which the salvation of the world came about. This year, on Palm Sunday, we will hear the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. You are invited to assemble in the gathering space before Mass for the blessing of the palms and the procession to commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

Our parish will host the Novena to the Divine Mercy this year. The novena will start on Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March and conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April, with a 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 is also a sign-up sheet for required ministries for the Divine Mercy Novena 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.

The first anniversary of the death of Fr John Tollan occurs on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. The 9:30am Mass will be offered for the repose of his soul. You are all invited to come and pray the repose of the soul of Fr John.

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March, there will be four priests here to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession., starting at 7pm until 8:30pm. Fr Frank Buhagiar, Fr David Cartwright, Fr Jossy Kizhakkethalackal and I will be available for the sacrament.

Our parish will run its tenth session of Alpha starting on 17<sup>th</sup> April this year. I highly urge you to think about attending Alpha this year. We all have gone through times in our lives when we have questioned the very meaning of life. Perhaps you are going through this right now. Perhaps your daughter or son, brother or sister, or colleague is going through this at the moment. Alpha is the best way to come to reflect on the deeper meaning of life. May I ask you to consider attending and encouraging them to attend Alpha? You and they will certainly benefit from it!

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

## RECONCILIATION FOR LENT

Confessions for the season of Lent will be held in the parish on **Wednesday 27 March from 7:00pm to 8:30pm**. There will be 4 priests present.

## LAST 8:00AM MASS ON FRIDAY

The last 8:00am Mass on Friday for this school term was on Friday 22 March. The next 8:00am Mass on Fridays will resume after the holidays on 19 April.



## CASH DONATIONS: FLOWERS FOR EASTER

We welcome any cash donations to defray the costs of buying flowers for Easter celebration. Please indicate as 'Easter Flowers' on the envelope when you give a donation. Thank you.

## DIVINE MERCY

*JESUS said... to St Faustina  
"By this Novena I will grant  
unimaginable GRACES to Souls"*

### ALL WELCOME

### 9 DAY MASS & NOVENA

1. Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March - 5.30pm Novena
2. Holy Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March - 5pm Novena
3. Easter Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March - 1.15pm Novena
4. Easter Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April - 7pm Mass & Novena
5. Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - 7pm Mass & Novena
6. Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - 7pm Mass & Novena
7. Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April - 5.30pm Mass & Novena
8. Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April - 6.15pm Novena & 7pm Mass
9. Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April - 4.30pm Novena

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

7<sup>th</sup> April 2024

**2PM CONFESSION, ROSARY & LITANY PRAYERS**

### 3PM HOLY MASS

Presider Fr Richard Rosse

The Blessing of DVM Portrait & Holy Ornaments will take place during Mass  
Please bring your Holy Ornaments

### 4PM DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

*in SONG*, Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament, Benediction & Divine Praises  
"Couples for Christ Choir"

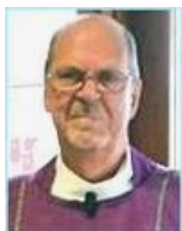
Followed by hospitality in the front foyer  
Coffee, Tea & Refreshments. All welcome.

**ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH**  
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*"O BLOOD & WATER WHICH GUSHED FORTH  
FROM THE HEART OF JESUS AS FOUNT OF  
MERCY FOR US, I TRUST IN YOU!"*

*"On this day (Feast of Mercy) I will pour out a  
whole ocean of graces upon those souls who  
approach the fount of Mercy"*



## VALE FATHER JOHN TOLLAN's 1st Death Anniversary

Father John Tollan, our founding Parish Priest from 2006-2016, passed away on Monday 27th March 2023 in Auckland, New Zealand. We will offer Mass for the repose of his soul on the 1st death anniversary on Wednesday 27 March 2024 at the 9:30am Mass. You are most welcome to attend. May he Rest in Peace in the arms of our Heavenly Father.

Pat Gurrie

## 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.

## Holy Week & EASTER 2024 TIMETABLE



### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 23 March (Vigil) - 6:00pm

Sunday 24 March - 9:00am | 10:30am | 12:00pm

### Reconciliation Evening

Wednesday 27 March

7:00pm to 8:30pm

### Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper - 28 March - 7:30pm

(Followed by Procession & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 midnight @ CRC  
MacKillop Classrooms)

### Good Friday Services - 29 March

Stations of the Cross - 9:30am

Solemn Passion of the Lord - 3:00pm

Tenebrae - 7:30pm

### EASTER MASSES

Easter Vigil - Saturday 30 March - 7:30pm

Easter Sunday - Sunday 31 March

9:00am | 10:30am | 12:00pm



## 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.



## NEW SETS OF STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES, & LETTERS FOR DIRECT DEBIT & CREDIT CARD GIVERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

(in the gathering space in alphabetical order)

**PLEASE COLLECT YOURS TODAY!**

## 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.

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