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."

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time $({\rm Yr}~{\rm B})$ – 4 August 2024



So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God . Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 77; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1 Kgs 19:4-8: Ps 33; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Lilian Song, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Violeta Serimogan, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, 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, Elba Synott, Anthony Ong, Nomer Yu, Marianne Lim, Ashleigh Low Siew Peng, Pressy Abdilla, Dolores Grech

For the Dead

6:00pm: Heather Anthony, Charles Forbes, Jaime Buen | **8:30am:** Anna Fernando| **10:30am:** |

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,482.00** | Presbytery: **\$591.00** *Thank you.*

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil): 6:00pm Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am & 12:30pm

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

2nd 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 (during School Term) for Youth (Year 7 to 12): 6:00 - 8:00pm

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



Friday, 2nd August 2024

My dear people,

As mentioned last week, we are hosting a "menALIVE" weekend in the parish on 5th and 6th October. "menALIVE" is a National Men's Ministry founded to respond to the great need in the hearts and lives of men. Their purpose is to bring men together, to renew their faith and to encourage them to become an active force of renewal. On 20th August, "menALIVE" will host a program in our parish called *Raising Fathers*. Registrations are now open for both *Raising Fathers* (https://www.trybooking.com/CTXJR).

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

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

CAROLINE SPRINGS

Starting next Friday 9th August, the Men's Group will be held on the second Friday of the month instead of the third. It is necessary to change the day to help the *Living Springs Choir* with their practice which takes place on the third Friday of month. It was noticed that they had to rush through their practice so as to finish in time for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, which is the start of Men's Group, at 7pm.

Ablaze Youth Group is organising another BBQ fundraiser this Sunday. Our youth group is working magnificently well at the moment and the programs are attracting about twenty parishioners in high school. Many of their activities require funds to run and they also share a meal as part of their evening here. I invite you to participate in the fundraiser this weekend. A reminder that Ablaze Youth Group meets every Friday during school term in the CRC Hall from 6pm to 8pm. Please bring some cash along with you when you come to Mass this Sunday.

It is wonderful that this weekend we will continue celebrating our younger parishioners receiving Holy Communion for the first time. First Holy Communion will take place over the next three weekends and I invite you to continue praying for our first communicants and their parents. We pray particularly that these children and their families realise how awesome it is to be receiving Holy Communion for the first them and to make sure it is not an isolated event in their lives but one which ignites in their heart a great love for Jesus and for his Church.

We will host our monthly Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus this evening. Mass will begin at 7:00pm followed immediately by prayers for the Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. There will be a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Confession will be available at that time.

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



days of obligation are days on which the faithful are expected to attend Mass, and engage in rest from work and recreation, according to the Third Commandment.

Parish Masses:

Wednesday 14 Aug (Vigil): **7:00pm** Thursday 15 Aug: **9:30am & 7:00pm**



menALIVE VICTORIA 'Raising Fathers'

Presented by the founder of menAlive Victoria, Rob Falzon. Raising Fathers brings valuable insights and practical advice on modern fathering in a powerful and transformative evening

with the potential to transform a father's approach to parenting.

This free event is on Tuesday 20 Aug @ 7:30pm at CRC McCormack Building. Please register on Trybooking (copy & paste on google browser) https:// www.trybooking.com/CSUBB





Are you or somebody you know is interested in becoming Catholic? Or want to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (***RCIA***)** will be **starting soon**. For more details, please call the parish during office hours and speak to Fr Richard.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION St George Preca Primary School

We congratulate and pray for our young people who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend.

SATURDAY, 6PM: Flynn Azzopardi, Mila Drinovac, Rafael Garcia, Samuel Hinson, Annabelle Hinson, James Surace.

SUNDAY, 8:30AM: Mika Ajala, Johans Hanna, Jonsin Hanna, Christian Chime, Lucas Capovilla, Billy McLean.

SUNDAY, 10:30AM: Alice Bishop, Laylah Blanco, Aliyah Borg, Jayden Buhagiar, Anthony Costa, Alyssa Fraietta, Cruz Luca, Payton Ignacio, Karolina Kolceg, Eva Conceição, Mason Spiteri, Crystelle Tipace.

SUNDAY, 12:30PM: Aderian Tammouz, Kate Brown, Zoe Fenech, Alina Galdamez, Summer Grech, Sienna Irabor, Caitlyn Joson, Gavin Yun, Bianca Lastrina, Mason Sciberras, Perla Karoomi.

CHANGE OF DAY MEN'S GROUP GATHERING

The parish Men's Group will be meeting on the second Friday of the month instead of the third, starting August 2024. **The next gathering will be on Friday 9 August.** It starts with the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:00pm to 7:45pm, with Confession. The Adoration finishes with Benediction, followed by fellowship at the presbytery.

BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

We welcome into the Catholic faith, **Joshua Bayliss & Evie Darmanin** who were baptised on Saturday 3 Aug. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers!

LEGION OF MARY RETREAT

Come! Our Blessed Mother is calling.

Retreat begins with rosary and prayers, followed by Holy Mass, talks given by priests, and concludes with Benediction.

When: Saturday 17 August 2024

Time: **9:30am to 1:30pm**

Where: St Bernadette Church, 59A Westmoreland Street, North Sunshine

B.Y.O lunch at 12 noon. Coffee and biscuits are provided. All are welcome.

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