



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."

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr B) – 29 September 2024



"If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ ... they will certainly not lose their reward." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
**Your word, O Lord, is truth:
make us holy in the truth.**
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Nm 11:25-29; Ps 18; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43,45, 47-48

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Gen 2:18-24; Ps 127; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Lilian Song, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Violeta Serimogan, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, 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, Elba Synott, Anthony Ong, Nomer Yu, Marianne Lim, Ashleigh Low Siew Peng, Pressy Abdilla, Dolores Grech, Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Wevina Azores-Galea, Raymond Mazzullo

For the Dead

6:00pm: Joseph Azzopardi | **8:30am:** Anthony Elisha
10:30am: | Andrew Fenech **12:30pm:** |

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1750.00** | Presbytery: **\$ 607.60**
Thank you.

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

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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 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”

Thursday 26th September 2024

My dear people,

The celebration of the Anniversary of the Dedication of our Church went very well last week. The prayers of the Mass that weekend spoke beautifully about the church being the place of worship where we seek fullness of redemption and that in the church, God manifests and accomplishes the mystery of his communion with us. Beautiful prayers indeed! The lunch which followed was magnificent in that it highlighted the many different cuisines and cultures in our parish, and it was wonderful to be able to sample so many different dishes. The most wonderful aspect of the lunch was that it brought so many of us together to celebrate the bond which unites us. We are truly blessed in our parish! A massive thank you to everyone who played a part in preparing every aspect of the celebration.

19th October is fast approaching! The organisers of the fundraising concert have recommended that tickets be bought as soon as possible in order to determine the viability of the show. As mentioned, it is an exciting opportunity to come together for some light entertainment while helping with the ongoing costs of running the parish. During the first half of the show, Sean Luke Spiteri will transform into the Welsh legend, Tom Jones, with signature moves, a big strong Welsh accent and voice, performing classic hits. Sean will end the show with a tribute to Elvis Presley, the KING OF ROCK ‘N’ ROLL singing some of the King's greatest hits. Tickets are available on:

<https://www.123tix.com.au/events/40941/elvis-presley-tom-jones-live-at-crc-performing-arts-centre>

The menALIVE weekend is also just one week away now! We were fortunate to hear from Harin Corea and Glen D’Cunha three weeks ago as they shared with us the benefits they experienced from the men ALIVE weekend. As previously mentioned, “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. Registrations are now open for the “menALIVE” weekend (<https://www.trybooking.com/CTXJR>). It is urgent that you book now if you intend to come, for catering purposes. I urge all the men of our parish to spare no effort in trying to attend the weekend and be open to what Our Lord has in store for you.

The donated drawing of the Divine Mercy has now been put up in the devotional area of the worship space. My hope is that its presence there will allow us, as a parish community, to grow in this wonderful devotion. I am truly looking forward to be able to pray to Our Lord, focussing particularly on his Divine Mercy for us, with the aid of this truly beautiful painting.

The weekly message is arriving to you on Thursday this week because of the public holiday tomorrow. I wish all of you a wonderful “Grand Final long weekend” and may the best team win!

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

PARISH CENSUS

Over the next three weeks, we invite each member of our parish to participate in our census process. By completing the census form, which will be made available during Mass from next week, we can register the number of our parish members and better understand the needs of our community. Data from this census will also enable the parish to strategically plan for important events, ministries, and other future endeavours.

Your privacy is essential, and all information will be treated with confidentiality. Thank you.

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Next Friday, **4 October** is the first Friday of the month and we have the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the parish. **MASS will be at 7:00pm**, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

1st SATURDAY DEVOTION TO IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

There will be praying of the rosary in honour of Immaculate Heart of Mary every first Saturday of the month. The next session is on **5 October at 3:30pm** in the meeting room of the church.



A FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Elvis Presley & Tom Jones - I'll never fall in love again!

Witness Sean's 'signature' Tom Jones moves, accent & voice, performing classic hits, and Elvis Presley's Greatest Hits. A must for all TOM JONES and ELVIS fans!

Venue: **CRC Performing Arts Centre (Theatre)**

Date: **Saturday, 19 October 2024; Time: 7:30pm**

Ticket Price: **from \$50.00 (Special Offer: Buy 3 Get 1 Free)**

For booking: <https://www.123tix.com.au/events/40941/elvis-presley-tom-jones-live-at-crc-performing-arts-centre>

Or call 1300 001 238

menALIVE MEN'S WEEKEND

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October 2024

The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God & to encourage them to become an active force within the Church. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age.

Cost: \$45 per person; Venue: CRC Cafeteria

For more information visit

<https://www.menalivevic.au/mens-weekends>



FUNERAL MASS - JOSEPH AZZOPARDI

Joseph Azzopardi, our parishioner who attends 6pm Mass on Saturdays, passed away recently. The funeral will take place in our church on **Wednesday 2 October**, starting with rosary at 10:30am, followed by Mass at 11am. Parishioners are welcome to attend to pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph.



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

(in the gathering space in alphabetical order)

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THE ROSARY PROJECT

A representative from the Rosary Project will speak at each Mass on the weekend of the 28th and 29th of September to promote the free resources

available on www.therosaryproject.net

Religious items will also be available for a donation (cash only stall) to raise funds for future initiatives.

9-DAY NOVENA in OCTOBER

Legion of Mary Society is holding a 9-day Novena in the month of October in our parish. Parishioners are invited to join them in praying the rosary on the following dates and times.

Friday 4 October - **6:15pm**

Saturday 5 October - **5:00pm**

Sunday 6 October - **9:30am**

Monday 7 October - **6:30pm**

Tuesday 8 October - **5:00pm**

Wednesday 9 October - **6:00pm**

Thursday 10 October - **6:00pm**

Friday 11 October - **6:00pm**

Saturday 12 October - **5:00pm**



PAVING THE WAY PROJECT

In April & May 2024, many notices in the bulletin and on the website announced that this project had been cancelled and cited the reasons. All sponsors (especially cash ones) were contacted via email and letter wherever possible and all requested reimbursements have been finalised and the projects officially closed. Thanks to those who chose to donate anyway. Thank you to all those who responded to the call for financial participation and once again we apologise that we were not able to provide the result we proposed.



BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

We welcome into the Catholic faith, **Mabel Poggenberg, Claudia Milligan, Anastasia Peregrino, and Isabella Barba** who are baptised on Saturday 28 Sept. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers!

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