



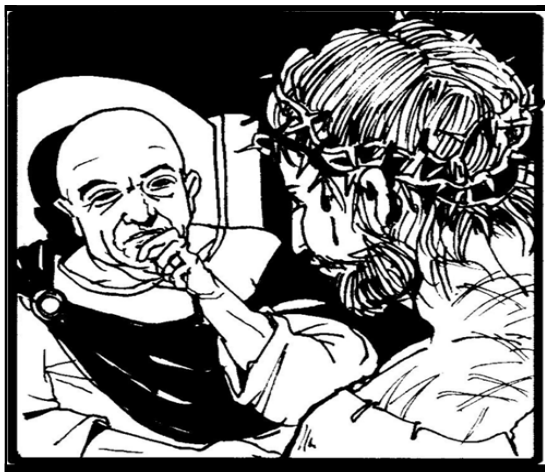
# Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

(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."*

## Solemnity of Christ the King (Yr B) – 24 November 2024



*"Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth." (Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
Alleluia!

### Today's Scripture Readings

Dn 7:13-14; Ps 92; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 24; 1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### For the Sick

Lilian Song, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Violeta Serimogan, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, Sarah Buol, 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, Mar Tristan Benitez, Divina Gracia Carbungco

#### For the Dead

**Recent Death:** Colin Gomes

### PRAYING FOR THE DEAD

*Please note: For the whole month of November, ONLY the names of those who died in November 2024 will be in the bulletin and announced during Masses.*

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,777.00** | Presbytery: **\$841.80**  
**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:* **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.

### ABLAZE 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

### ABLAZE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Every 1st & 3rd Sunday: 5:00 - 7:00pm

### SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

**CHRIST THE PRIEST PRIMARY SCHOOL** (Prep-Yr. 6)

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(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](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> November 2024.

My dear people,

The recruitment process to employ someone to share the role of Evangelisation Coordinator with Ann is well underway. We have received a few applications, and the process of shortlisting and interviewing will begin soon. I invite to continue praying for the parish as we move ahead with this most important task.

I would like to thank everyone who attended the launch of the Ablaze Young Adults Group in our parish, particularly those who put so much effort in organising and preparing the fantastic activities of the evening. We were delighted that 25 young adults joined us and there was great enthusiasm in the room. We are pleased to confirm that that Ablaze Young Adults will meet on the first and third Sundays of the month from 5pm to 7pm. I invite you to join me in praying for the success of this latest ministry in our parish.

We have finally received the results of the Annual Fundraiser held on 19<sup>th</sup> October this year. I am pleased to announce that we raised \$1,148. This money will go towards the running costs of the parish. While this was not as much as last year's fundraiser, I am deeply grateful that these funds were raised. We look forward to other events next year to bring us together as a parish community while raising some very needed funds to help with the running costs of the parish.

As announced at Masses last weekend, we will welcome Deacon Ian Vergel to our parish this weekend. Deacon Ian was ordained a deacon on 20<sup>th</sup> October this year in view of his ordination to the priesthood next year. Deacon Ian will be with us full time until Christmas. He will be on holiday in January and will return in February. He will then be with us during the weekends until his ordination. Let us keep Deacon Ian in our prayers as he starts the last leg of his journey towards ordination.

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. This Solemnity concludes the Liturgical Year and the new Liturgical Year will start with Advent on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December. This Solemnity was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to assert the kingship of Christ over us. We are reminded that the kingship of Christ is different from all others since he is simultaneously the ruler of all and the servant of all. This is wonderful material for our meditation! Happy Solemnity to everyone!

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

## 2024 ADVENT-CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

### Carols by Candlelight

Sunday - DECEMBER 15  
5:00pm - Sausage Sizzle & Children activities  
6:30pm - Carols

### Reconciliation for Advent

Wednesday - DECEMBER 18 @ 7:00pm - 8:30pm

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

#### Christmas Eve, TUESDAY 24 DECEMBER

Masses - @ 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm & 12 Midnight  
(Carols sung half an hour before Mass)

**P.S: There's NO CONFESSION at the above Masses**

#### Christmas Day, WEDNESDAY 25 DECEMBER

Masses @ 8:30am & 10:30am

**(No Mass at 12:30pm or in the evening)**

#### Thursday, 26 DECEMBER (Public Holiday)

Mass @ 9:30am (St Stephen, 1st Martyr)

#### Wednesday, 1 JANUARY 2025 (Public Holiday)

Mass @ 9:30am (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

## FUNERAL MASS - COLIN GOMES

Colin Gomes, one of our parishioners passed away recently. The funeral will take place here on **Friday 29 November** at 11:00am. Parishioners are welcome to attend to pray for the repose of the soul of Colin.

## 'PRESENCE' - ADVENT PROGRAM

Join us as we make our way through the Presence program from Augustine Institute exploring the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist. In three weeks we will look at God is with us, the story of the Eucharist and finally Bread for the Journey.



We will meet on Tuesday the 3rd, 10th and 17th of December from 7:45pm to 8:45pm (after Mass).

No cost and no prior knowledge required, just willingness to learn. Please sign up via the trybooking! <https://www.trybooking.com/CXESV>

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Christmas Raffle Tickets will be sold after the weekend Masses commencing this weekend. The cost is \$2.00 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$5.00

First Prize:

**\$250.00 - Coles Myer Gift Voucher**

Second Prize:

**\$150.00 - Coles Myer Gift Voucher**

Third Prize:

**Hamper**

The Raffle will be drawn on Sunday 15 December 2024 at the Carols By Candlelight.



## CS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

This year marks the 10th Anniversary of CS Carols by Candlelight! This event is occurring on Saturday 7th December at the CS Lake Park and will feature special guest artists - The Melbourne Gospel Choir. The organising committee is inviting people to assist them on the night for welcoming, hosting and packing up. All volunteers need a current working with children and they could sign up via this portal by Sunday 24 Nov: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfqRMuoqoNMIjeYSTTkgre-8zU9tPYvrT6fafdAf4rOkBrIYw/viewform> (copy & paste link on your browser). Their team will contact you to talk about the role and provide any training.

## MISSIONARY FAMILIES OF CHRIST

### Australian Youth Conference

Are you looking to renew your relationship with the Lord? Come and join us for our Missionary Families of Christ Australia Youth Conference! This year, we will be challenged to deepen our faith and trust in our unchanging

God, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever. In an era where beliefs and ideologies continuously shift, we are reminded that a life anchored in Jesus Christ is a full life - because His constant presence guides our every step to the truth. In Him, we find our purpose, our strength, and our hope! We hope to see you there!

Who: **All youths aged 13-21**

When: **7-8 December 2024**

Where: **Don Bosco Retreat Centre, Lysterfield VIC 3156**

Fee: **\$140**

If you have any questions, please message us on Instagram @mfcyouthmelb or email us at [mfcyouthmelb@gmail.com](mailto:mfcyouthmelb@gmail.com).



## PIETY STALL

Christmas, New Liturgical Year and Calendar Year are fast approaching.

**COLUMBAN CALENDAR \$10**

**CHRISTMAS CARDS \$2.50 (pack of 8 cards)**

**GODS WORD 2025 \$25**

**ST MARY MACKILLOP ROSARIES \$20**

**NEW COMMUNITY BIBLE \$37**

Plenty of other piety items available.

# Hope DOES NOT DISAPPOINT

A retreat night of reflection, prayer & songs on the real value of the sacrament of reconciliation in this 'Year of Hope' as we usher the Jubilee Year

**3rd DECEMBER 2024** 7:15-9:30pm at St Anthony's Church, Melton South **SEE YOU THERE**

**ABOUT THE SPEAKER**  
Deacon Dave Reeves is from the Diocese of Richmond, Virginia in the United States. He has been serving as a deacon for over six years. He is the President of the Philipians 2 Foundation which runs the Saint Clare of Assisi Retreat Center in Hampton, Virginia. Deacon Dave has a passion for retreats and missions.  
As we enter into the Jubilee 2025 'Year of Hope', Deacon Dave will share with us the power and importance of the sacrament of reconciliation.  
Please join him as he takes us deeper into the sacrament through story and song.

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