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."

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr B) - 17 November 2024



"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Dn 12:1-3; Ps 15; Heb 10:11-14,18; Mk 13:24-32

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

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

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 Rodriques, 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: Rolando Castillo Sr, Claude Carbanaro

PRAYING FOR THE DEAD

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

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Stewardship: **\$1,683.55** | Presbytery: **\$746.95** *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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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

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)



Ablaze Youth will be having their last session for Term 4 on **Friday 22 November from 6:00pm** onwards at CRC Hall. The theme is '**Hawaiian**'. They are inviting all those in high school from Year 7 to 12 to come and join them in the fun. Don't miss it!

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.

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/1FAlpQLSfqRMuoqoNMljeYSTTxgre-

<u>8zU9tPYvrT6fafdAf4rOkBrlYw/viewform</u> (copy & paste link on your browser)

Their team will contact you to talk about the role and provide any training.

'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



PARISH APPOINTMENT

It is with pleasure that we announce that Deacon Ian Vergel has been appointed to the parish for next year. Deacon Ian was ordained to the diaconate on the 20th October this year. As part of this formation to the priesthood, he will be with us from the 22nd November until Christmas Day.

Next year, he will be here every weekend until his ordination. I invite you to join me in welcoming lan to the parish.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

It is with sadness that we advise you that Pat Gurrie has decided to step down from the Parish Finance Committee. Pat was the first Chairman of the Finance Committee of our parish, which I formed with Pat when I arrived as PP in October 2017.

We sincerely thank Pat for his excellent contribution to the committee as Chairman and as a member. Pat continues to be the coordinator of the Piety Stall and a member of other ministries in the parish.

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 .

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BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

November, for Catholics, is the time when we remember in prayer our deceased relatives and friends, and all who have died. Our special **"Book of the Names of the Dead"** is available now.

We invite you to write the names of your loved ones who have died in the past 12 months (Nov 2023 - Oct 2024). The book will then be placed on the sanctuary during all Masses in November as we remember them before the Lord.

NOVEMBER ENVELOPES FOR THE DEAD

Envelopes for the November Masses for the dead are available in the foyer. Please write their names on the envelope and <u>place them in the basket at either collection or submit them to the parish office</u>.

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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)

PARISH BARBECUE

The monthly barbecue is next **Sunday 24 November** after the 12:30pm Mass. You are most welcome to attend. We particularly thank Bakers Delight, Taylors Hill, for providing bread for the BBQ. They also provided the savories

and sweets for hospitality last weekend.

ABLAZE MEN'S GROUP GATHERING

Please note that the Ablaze Men's Group will meet next on **Friday 22 November instead for this month.** They will gather in the church at 7:00pm.

CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS!

Join us for the **Ablaze Young Adults Launch** - a group for ages 18 to 35 seeking community, inspiring discussions, and fellowship! Our launch event is on Sunday, 17th November, 5:00pm to

7:00pm in the church meeting rooms. Come to make new friends, grow together, and find your place. Ablaze Young Adults will meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Sign up via the TryBooking QR code for more details.



EVANGELISATION COORDINATOR

St Catherine of Siena, Caroline Springs

The parish is looking for a suitable candidate for the above role to job-share with Ann O'Brien. This permanent part-time position is based at the Parish Office. The successful applicant is required to work 12 hours per week while the days and working hours are flexible. Terms and conditions of employment are governed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. For more details, please go to: Evangelisation Coordinator – Discipleship | Melbourne Catholic (copy & paste in a browser)



PASTORAL CARE APPEAL 2024

(Previously known as Chaplaincy Appeal)

Last weekend, we conducted CatholicCare Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal in our parish. Thank you for enabling CatholicCare Victoria and their Catholic Prison Chaplains to continue being messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion. Thank you to those who have supported this Appeal.

If you still wish to donate or if you would like to learn more about the Chaplaincy Services, please visit www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.

We collected a total of \$2,846.40 Thank you!

ABLAZE FAMILY MINISTRY

You and your family are warmly invited to be part of our vibrant parish-based family ministry group!

When: 17 Nov, after the 12:30pm Mass

Where: CRC Cafeteria and Hall

Come experience:

Engaging discussions on faith and family values. Fun activities for children, meaningful connections with fellow families and opportunities to serve our community together.

Please bring a plate of food to share.

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