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OUR PARISH VISION

"A welcoming and dynamic faith-filled Catholic Community, living and sharing the Gospel, to set the world ablaze."

The Ascension of the Lord (Yr C) – 1 June 2025



"Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
**Go and teach all people my gospel. I am
with you always, until the end of the world.**
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Acts 1: 1-11; Ps 46; Eph 1:17-23; Lk 24: 46-53

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Acts 2:1-11; Ps: 103; 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13; Jn 20:19-23

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Lilian Song, Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Violeta Serimogan, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, 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, Pressy Abdilla, Dolores Grech, Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Wevina Azores-Galea, Mar Tristan Benitez, Divina Gracia Carbungco, Leanne Difesa, Teremoana Tagiilima Sea, AJ Difesa, Noah Bonello, Wevina Galea, Baby Niko

For the Dead

10:30am: Nicolina Fazzolari, Mary Mifsud, Richard Passeri, Felix Deloy Sr, Leonora Deloy, Nestor Deloy, Paterno Deloy, Nicolino Passeri, Boy Arquisola | **12:30pm:** Patricio Lavilla Sr |

Church Finances for the Last Quarter (Jan-Mar25)

Total Income: **\$93,379.00** | Expenditure: **\$109,470.00**

Deficit: \$ (16,091.00)

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

Parish Coordinator: MR ROBERT DURAI

Parish Secretary: MRS MAGGIE MAZZULLO (Tue - Thur)

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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)

DEVOTION TO IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

1st Saturday: 3:30pm

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays: 6pm; Saturdays: 8:45am, 10am, 5pm, and 1st Friday: 7:30pm or by Appointment at any other time.

LEGION OF MARY

Every Monday: 7:00 – 8:30pm

SRM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Every Thursday: 7:00 – 8:30pm

ABLAZE 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

ABLAZE MEN'S GROUP

2nd Friday of the Month: 7:00pm

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)

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ST CATHERINE OF SIENA
CAROLINE SPRINGS

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

Friday 30th May 2025.

My dear people,

I would like to start this fortnightly message by sharing with you what a fantastic experience Confirmation at St Patrick's Cathedral was for me. When Archbishop Comensoli invited priests to celebrate their parishes' Confirmation at the cathedral, I asked our two primary school principals, and they were both happy to do so. After months of preparation, 17th May, the day of the Confirmations, arrived. A few days before, the candidates from the two parish primary schools, their teachers and I went to the cathedral not only for Mass but to visit and practice, which was great. The big day was one of the highlights of my time as the Parish Priest here. It was wonderful to see the whole cathedral packed with parishioners. Again, I would like to thank the two schools, the Society of Christian Doctrine and the cathedral staff for their great effort in making the day a success. Praise the Lord! Let us continue to pray for the newly confirmed, that the gifts of the Holy Spirit will make them be ardent yet gentle heralds of the Gospels.

Tomorrow night, 31st May, from 6:30pm, we will have one of the fundraisers for the refurbishment/extension of the church. Tickets are available from Sonny and Jenny Mallia on 0412583069 and 0413478780 respectively. We are immensely grateful to Sonny and Jenny and their team for putting the Dance Night together. I hope to see many parishioners there. Again, all for a good cause! The next fundraiser will be on 5th July. More information to follow.

The new way of publishing our financial situation started two weeks ago. This weekend's bulletin will again include our financial situation for the first quarter of 2025. We will simply publish the income, expenditure and surplus or deficit. Subsequently, we will publish this information monthly as well as quarterly, four times a year. It will give you, the parishioners, a better indication of how we are going financially. As I mentioned many times before, you are welcome to ask me any question about the finances of the parish, and about any other aspects of the running of the parish, for that matter.

A reminder that I will be on my annual leave from 1st to 28th June. My mother is turning 70 this year. She has always wanted to go to Lourdes, Fatima and Rome and we are going to take her there, as a family. We will also visit friends and relatives in England and France. Since I will be away, there will be no fortnightly message until the 4th July 2025.

The Claretian Fathers from Deer Park and West Sunshine will look after weekday Masses etc. during my absence. Fr Camerion Forbes, Rector, Corpus Christ College and Fr Trevor Tibbertsma, Dean of Studies, Corpus Christi College will look after the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses during my absence. Please keep me and my family in our prayers as I assure you that I will do the same for you.

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



DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS - CANCELLED IN JUNE

The next first Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on **6th of June** has been cancelled. The next Devotion will be on 4th of July. We apologise for any inconvenience.

1st SATURDAY DEVOTION TO IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



The next session of praying of the rosary in honour of Immaculate Heart of Mary will be on **Saturday 7 June at 3:30pm** in the meeting room.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING PROGRAM MINISTERS OF THE WORD

This training program conducted by ACU Centre for Liturgy examines what liturgical ministry is and details the practical and spiritual formation needed for those who proclaim the Word of God. The Mass is explored, with a special focus on the Liturgy of the Word. Vocal tone, eye contact, body language and movement are also discussed and modelled with interaction from participants welcomed and encouraged.

Dates: **Friday 13 June, 6 - 9pm (CRC MacKillop)** and **Saturday 14 June, 9am - 4pm (Cafeteria)**

Cost: **FREE OF CHARGE**

Please write down your name and contact details in the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space. **Register by Sunday 1 June.** Please call the Parish Office to get a copy of the training program.



BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

We welcome into the Catholic faith the following who are baptised on Saturday 31 May: **Charlie Bere, Julia Vu, Anita Silva, Sebastian Giansiracusa, Nathan Ogbogu, Keanah & Orlando Cham.** Please pray for them and their families!

HEALING MASS INVITATION

We warmly invite you to a Healing Mass, **next Sunday, 8th of June, celebrated by Fr Rembert Fernando MGL.** The Mass will include prayers, the laying on of hands, the anointing of the sick and a Prayer Ministry will be available before Mass for individuals and families seeking personal prayers.

Evening Schedule:

4:00pm - Holy Rosary: Seeking the intercession of our Blessed Mother

4:30pm - Praise & Worship: Preparing our hearts to encounter Jesus

5:00pm - Healing Mass

4:00 - 5:00pm - Personal prayers for individuals and families by Prayer Ministry members.

It is an opportunity for those seeking physical, emotional or spiritual healing. Let us place our lives in the hands of our Jesus, Divine Healer, trusting in His power to renew and restore us in body and spirit. For more details, contact the Charismatic Prayer Group.

CHURCH BULLETIN

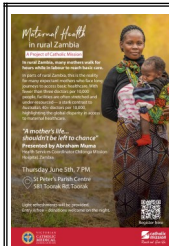
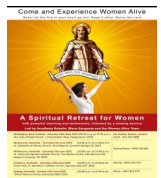
We appreciate if could return any bulletin to the gathering space if you are not taking it home, rather than leaving them on the pews or throwing them away in the bin.

FRIDAY 8:00AM MASS

Please note that there will be **NO 8:00AM MASS from 6 to 20 June. The next 8:00 am Mass will be on Friday 27 June.**

A SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Led by Anastasia Rebello, Maria Sangeeta and the Women Alive Team, experience powerful teaching and testimonies, followed by a healing service. Come and join on **Thursday 5 June from 7pm to 9pm** in our parish.



"A MOTHER'S LIFE SHOULDN'T BE LEFT TO CHANCE"

In rural Zambia, expectant mothers often walk for days - while in labour - just to reach basic medical care. Join Catholic Mission and the Catholic Medical Association of Victoria for an evening that brings their voices to our community. Keynote speaker Abraham Muma, Health Services Coordinator at Chilonga Mission Hospital, will share powerful frontline insights. Venue: **St Peter's Parish Centre, 581 Toorak Rd, Toorak**
Date: **Thursday 5 June | 7:00 PM**
Entry is free. Please RSVP, call Catholic Mission on (03) 9087 8081 or 0458 685 844



AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

Get ready—Melbourne is hosting the **Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in 2025!** This epic three-day event (**Sunday 30 November to Tuesday 2 December**) brings together young Catholics from across the country for an unforgettable experience. If you're in **Year 9 to 25 years old**, this is your chance to:

- *Meet awesome people** from all over Australia
 - *Grow deeper in your faith** and connection with Jesus
 - *Be inspired** to live your faith out loud
 - *Experience** the energy and diversity of the Catholic Church in a whole new way
- Registrations** are open now, with a registration cost per person (more info coming soon). **Interested?** Contact Gavin Muscat: gavin.muscat@cam.org.au Or call the Parish Office during office hours.

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