



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."*

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C) – 20 July 2025



'Martha, Martha, you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one.' (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Gen 18:1-10; Ps 14; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Gen 18:20-32; Ps 137; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

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 Rodriques, Sam Simmons, Elba Synott, Anthony Ong, Nomer Yu, Marianne Lim, 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

6:00pm: Andrew Bonett |

10:30am: Fred Camilleri |

Church Finances for the Month of June 2025

Total Income: \$ 34,962.00 | Expenditure: \$ 55,196.00

Deficit: (\$ 20,234.00)

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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Evangelisation Coordinator (Discipleship): MR GAVIN MUSCAT

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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)

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"

Friday 18th July 2025.

My dear people,

We are honoured and privileged to be hosting Bishop Martin Ashe for a pastoral visitation on 25th, 26th and 27th July. On Friday 25th July, Bishop Martin will start his visitation with the celebration of Mass at 9:30am. After that, he will visit the two primary schools of the parish. In the afternoon, he will meet with the parish staff and in the evening, he will meet with the PLT and the Finance Committee followed by dinner with them.

On Saturday morning, he will celebrate the 9:30am Mass and after that, he will meet with volunteers involved in ministries at 10am. That meeting will be followed by a morning tea at 11am with an open forum at 11:30am to which you are all invited to both. The open forum will conclude at 12:30pm. In the afternoon, Bishop Martin will visit some of our parishioners who are housebound and then meet with the young people of the parish. The day will finish with Bishop Martin celebrating the 6pm Mass and having dinner with the ministry coordinators. Bishop Martin's pastoral visitation will conclude on Sunday 27th July with him celebrating the three parish Masses and taking the opportunity to meet people between Masses.

I am delighted to share some wonderful news with you. As many of you know, we ran an Offertory Giving Program in our parish throughout March and April—and I am pleased to say it was a great success! Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the campaign. Thanks to your generosity, we have seen a 45% overall increase in giving, with a total of \$3,475.76 pledged weekly to both the Church and Presbytery accounts. A remarkable number of parishioners, 176, returned their pledge cards—among them, 56 are new ongoing givers, and 120 have increased their regular contributions. Your response has been truly heartening and will make a real difference in supporting the mission and ministry of our parish. Thank you once again for your generosity and faithfulness.

Furthermore, I am pleased to advise that the Fundraising Account which was opened in order to collect funds for the church refurbishments and the building of a parish hall now has over \$10,000. I thank all those who have deposited money in the account. We were blessed with a donation of \$5000 from a parishioner. We were also blessed with the two dance nights on 31st May and 5th July which brought in a total of \$3,985.00. I am thankful to Sonny and Jenny Mallia and Joe and Tess White and their teams for organising these fundraising events. I have formed a Fundraising Committee and together we will start thinking about more varied ways of raising funds. Please do not hesitate to share your ideas with me about what we can do for fundraising.

I thank all those who came to the Parish Town Hall last night. It was a wonderful opportunity to discuss matters relevant to our parish. The presentation will be made available on the parish website soon.

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



WHAT ARE YOU SEEKING? COME AND SEE!

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.

BROWN SCAPULAR OF OUR LADY OF CARMEL

The Brown Scapular is a sacramental sign of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, particularly under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Wearing the scapular is a visible expression of trust in Mary's protection and a commitment to live a life of faith, prayer, and purity. "Whosoever dies clothed in this Scapular shall not suffer eternal fire." – a promise attributed to Our Lady to St Simon Stock, rooted in a call to conversion and faithful living. If you wish to be enrolled in the Brown Scapular, please contact the parish office or Fr Richard.

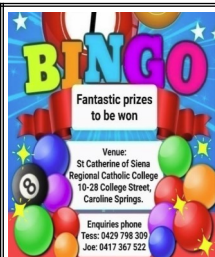


JUBILEE OF YOUTH: HOPE NIGHT

Fr James Baptist, Asst Priest in St Andrew Parish, Werribee invites all youth from the ages of 11 (Grade 6) to 25 to attend this special event on **Saturday 2 August, 7pm to 10pm**.

Join young people from around Melbourne to celebrate the

Jubilee of Youth, with vibrant music from Catholic artist Kyle Correya and an inspiring keynote delivered by special guest speaker Gary Pinto, concluding with Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available. To register, go to <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1428098?qr=true&qr=true>



'BINGO'

MONDAY 21 JULY @7PM

Bingo, a game that is very much loved and cherished in Australia has truly started in Caroline Springs.

The next session is on

Monday 21 July in CRC Cafeteria from 7pm onward. Lots of games and lots of prizes to be won. Invite family and friends and have a wonderful time. And if they are lucky, they might walk away with attractive prizes too.

NO CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS OLD, PLEASE.

CHURCH BULLETIN

Please 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. Thank you.

DEACON IAN VERGEL'S ORDINATION

Deacon Ian is going to be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday 20 September at St Patrick's Cathedral. Parishioners are welcome to attend. More details soon.

ABLAZE YOUNG ADULTS

The Ablaze Young Adults will be gathering this **Sunday 20 July in the church meeting room at 5pm**. Young adults between the ages of 18 and 35 are welcome to attend. Ablaze Young Adults meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.



CATHOLIC DATING QnA "Swipe Right on God's Plan"

Are you looking for love that reflects your faith? Join Spiritual Renewal Ministry for Young Adults between the ages of 18 and 35 for a fun, honest, and insightful session tackling real questions about dating, relationships, the waiting

season, and God's plan for your love like. Whether you're single, dating, or simply curious—this is the place to connect, laugh, and learn. **Event details:**

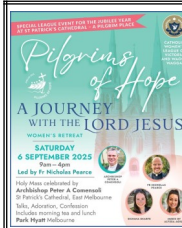
□ **Wednesday 23rd July 2025**

□ **8PM–9PM (Melbourne time)**

□ **Online via Zoom; register for Zoom link @**

<https://forms.gle/gPhc1VIAzC8NUoCA>

□ **Speakers: Bobby Joseph (SRM), Sue & Greg Murray (Alpha)**



WOMEN'S RETREAT 6 Sept 2025

The Catholic Women's League of Victoria invites you to a Women's Retreat at **St Patrick's Cathedral on Sat 6 Sept, 9am-4pm**.

Morning tea and lunch at the Park

Hyatt. **'Pilgrims of Hope: A journey with the Lord Jesus':** \$60 (League members discount). 2-for-1 deal under 35's. Mass will be celebrated by

Archbishop Peter Comensoli. The day will be led by Fr Nicholas Pearce, Parish Priest of St Michael's, North Melbourne. It includes: spiritual talks by Fr Nicholas and Silvana Scarfe (Formation Specialist for the Archdiocese of Melbourne); Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, Confession. Morning tea and lunch will be at the Park Hyatt. Register: www.trybooking.com/DCBKR or for enquiries: info@cwlvicww.org.au

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