



# 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."*

## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C) – 31 August 2025



*"... when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate ..." (Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**God, in your goodness, you have made  
a home for the poor.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
**Take my yoke upon you;  
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.**  
Alleluia!

### Today's Scripture Readings

Sir 3:17-20,28-29; Ps 67; Heb 12:18-19,22-24; Lk 14:1,7-14

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Wis 9:13-18; Ps 89; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

### 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:** Durai Anthonisamy, Joan Ramos-Fabella, Violeta Corona |  
**8:30am:** Alicia Salaverria, Anthony Elisha, Anas Peterson |

### Church Finances for Jan to June 2025

Total Income: \$ 196,997.00 | Expenditure: \$ 204,916.00  
**Deficit: (\$ 7,919.00)**

## 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

**Evangelisation Coordinator (Discipleship):** MR GAVIN MUSCAT

**Deacon:** DCN IAN VERGEL

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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](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 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

My dear people,

The next fundraising activity in our parish is a Grand Final Fundraiser which will be held on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The Parish Fundraising Committee met last night to discuss this event. With the Grand Final starting at 2:30pm, we will "open the doors" at 1:30pm, starting with a sausage sizzle. Please register via this TryBooking link <https://www.trybooking.com/DFEHR> so we can organise how many sausages and other items to purchase. Entry tickets will be \$5. All other prices will be displayed on a poster that will be available next week. Just a reminder that the members of the Fundraising Committee are Robert Durai, Shirley Chung, Angelina Forneas, Joe White, Joe Sequeira, Sonny Mallia and me. Please do not hesitate to contact any of us for ideas you may have about fundraising activities. Again, the purpose of the fundraiser is to enable required refurbishments to the church and build a parish hall.

The archdiocese is running the Archbishop's Campaign again this year following the huge success of last year's campaign. Information booklets about the campaign are available in the gathering space for you to take home and learn more about the campaign. The funds raised will help the archdiocese with the following: Corpus Christi College Building Fund, Priests Retirement Foundation, University of Divinity Building Fund, John Pierce Centre, and other entities such as Catholic community agencies and community service organisations. It is still possible to take envelopes to fill out at home and return at Mass over the next couple of weeks. The envelopes will be on the dedicated table in the gathering space.

Over the past four weeks, it was wonderful to accompany our younger parishioners from the two parish primary schools as they received Holy Communion for the first time. The younger parishioners who do not attend the two parish schools will receive Holy Communion for the first time over the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September. We pray particularly that these children and their families realise how awesome it is to be receiving Holy Communion for the first time and to make sure it is not an isolated event in their lives but one which ignites in their heart a great love for Jesus and for his Church.

We are blessed to welcome Dr Edward Sri, a renowned Catholic speaker, author, theologian and engaging communicator, who will be giving a talk titled "Making Missionary Disciples." This event is hosted by Parousia Media, and it is a gift to have it right here in our own community. Do not miss this opportunity, and please invite others to come along. Register here: <https://app.tickets.org.au/Parousia/EdwardSriCS>. Dr Sri will explore the true meaning of discipleship and how becoming a missionary disciple can transform your life, parish, ministry, family and community. His talk is based on the acclaimed book *Into His Likeness: Be Transformed as a Disciple of Christ* (Ignatius Press).

**Date: Sunday 31 August 2025**

**Time: 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm**

**Venue: CRC Hall**

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



## AFL GRAND FINAL FUNDRAISER

The Fundraising Committee invites all parishioners to join us for an afternoon of great fun and excitement as 2 teams fight it out for the most coveted trophy and title of the year.

Event: **AFL Grand Final**

Day: **Saturday 27 September**

Time: **1:30pm** | Venue: **CRC Hall**

Entry Fee: **\$5 per person**  
(children under 12 free)



Sausage sizzles, soft drinks & popcorn will be on sale. Registration is required via TryBooking:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/DFEHR>

## KONKANI RETREAT

Organised by Karaval Konkans Australia Inc in our parish on **20th September from 10am until 5pm conducted by Fr Basil Vas.** Inviting all Konkani speaking members to attend. For more info, please contact : Joe Sequeira on 0422441078.



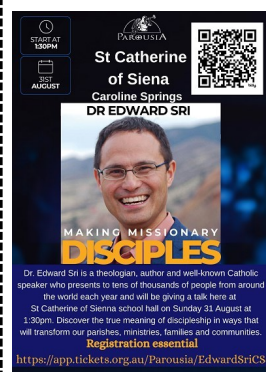
## NEXT 'BINGO'

**MONDAY 1 SEPT @7PM**

Bingo, a game that is very much loved and cherished in Australia has truly started in Caroline Springs. **Venue: CRC Cafeteria** 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.**



## MAKING MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

**Dr Edward Sri talk here on Sunday 31 August at 1:30pm**

Discover the true meaning of discipleship in ways that will transform our parishes, ministries, families and communities. Dr. Edward Sri is a theologian, author and well-known Catholic speaker who presents

to tens of thousands of people from around the world each year and will be giving a talk here at CRC school hall on Sunday 31 August at 1:30pm.

Please register at [https://](https://app.tickets.org.au/Parousia/EdwardSriCS)

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## THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2025

Your generosity will fund vital ministries and key projects of the Church in Melbourne and Archbishop Peter expressed his gratitude for your help during the campaign.

**If you have yet to put in your envelopes, please do so by today.** More envelopes are available in the gathering space, together with the Campaign brochures which gives more Information.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign>



## DEACON IAN VERGEL'S ORDINATION CHARTERING A BUS

The parish is hiring a bus to go to the Ordination of Dcn Ian. Dcn Ian will be ordained as a priest during Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday 20 September at 10am.

Sign-up sheets are available in the gathering space if you are interested in attending. There are only limited seats available. In order to cover the cost of hiring the bus, we are collecting \$15 per person. Cash will be collected on the day just before the bus leaves the church.

## DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Next Friday, **5 September** is the first Friday of the month. We will have **Mass at 7:00pm**, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Confession.

## 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 6 September at 3:30pm** in the meeting room.



## FRIDAY 8:00AM MASS

Please note that there will be **NO 8:00am Mass on 12 September.**

## GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Grief & Bereavement Ministry was launched three weeks ago. This new ministry aims to support members of the church who are going through tough times. Ministry members will provide a listening ear and companionship. The following are ways in which you can get in touch with them:

1. Speak to one of the ministry members directly
2. Call the parish office and leave a message
3. Speak to Fr Richard

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