



Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

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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 Commemoration of All Souls (Yr C) – 2 November 2025



*"A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people." (Gospel)*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I am the resurrection and the life, said the Lord:
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.**

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

2 Mc 12:43-45; Ps 26; Phil 3:20-21; Lk 7:11-17

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ezkl 47:1-2,8-9,12 ; Ps 45; 1 Cor 3:9-11,16-17; Jn 2:13-22

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, Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Mar Tristan Benitez, Divina Gracia Carbungco, Teremoana Tagiilima Sea, AJ Difesa, Noah Bonello, Baby Niko, Jennifer Yamzon

For the Dead

PRAYING FOR THE DEAD

Please note: For the whole month of November, ONLY the names of those who died in November 2025 will be in the bulletin and announced during Masses.

Church Finances for September 2025

Total Income: \$ 32,893.00 | Expenditure: \$ 50,607.00

Deficit: \$ 17,714.00

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

Parish Coordinator: MR ROBERT DURAI

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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)

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 Thursday: 7:00 – 8:30pm

JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY | Every Saturday: 2:00 – 3:00pm

SRM CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Every Friday: 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 31st October 2025.

My dear people,

I start by sharing with you the sad news that my aunt, Flavia Hector, died last Sunday 26th October. The funeral was held on Monday. In Mauritius, funerals are held the day after the death. I sincerely thank those of you who have expressed your condolences. Of your charity, will you pray for the repose of the soul of Flavia Hector and for my uncle, her widower and her daughter, son in law and grandchildren, as well as the whole extended family?

Unfortunately, owing to the small patronage of the last fundraising event, the Frankie Vallie and The Four Seasons and the Beach Boys Concert - A tribute to America's most iconic vocal groups of the 60's, there was a deficit of \$2,425. By the grace of God, I contacted one of our benefactors and he covered that amount. I would like very sincerely to thank everyone involved in the organisation of the evening and those who came on the night. It was obvious that it was a great night for those present.

The Archdiocese of Melbourne is blessed to host the Australian Catholic Youth Festival this year. This three-day festival is one of faith, prayer and community – like a mini World Youth Day! It will provide a great chance to meet young Catholics, grow in faith, and be inspired in daily life. I am delighted to announce that 34 of our younger parishioners have decided to go. Praise Jesus! You are invited to help with raising funds to send them to this event which has the potential to change their lives and make them intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. The first of these fundraising activities will be a special collection at Masses over the weekend. Please give generously.

There is another item of great news with Christ the Priest, which I would like to share with you. Christ the Priest Catholic Primary School has reached the wonderful threshold of having 500 students. We thank and praise Jesus Christ himself for this wonderful achievement. It has been thirteen years since CtP had 500 students. This is important because it speaks to the longevity of the school. We also thank Mrs Adele Vesty, Principal of CtP, her team and the wonderful community of CtP for that achievement.

I finish my fortnightly message mentioning again the great blessing that our parish has been chosen to host the First Class relic of St Carlo Acutis and his Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles. St Carlo is the first millennial saint since he was born in 1991. He is also one of the first two saints canonised by Pope Leo XVI. As mentioned at Mass, if you have not already done so, please write your name down to stay with the First Class relic for one hour as it is not possible to leave it alone. The relic will be available for veneration from 8am to 8pm from Monday 2nd November to Friday 7th November. It will be available on Saturday from 8am until 10:30 am because of a wedding at 12:30pm. There will be several books about St Carlo Acutis available for purchase over the week, and these could be read while you are spending time with the relic. Furthermore, there will be an exhibit cataloguing the research about the Eucharistic Miracles he undertook. Hope to see many of you there.

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

ACYF FUNDRAISING PROJECTS:

1) COLLECTIONS

A total of 34 of our youths have signed up for ACYF. To defray the costs, we are taking up a **special collection after the homily today and on the weekend of 15 & 16 November**. Please give generously to support our Youth.



2) BARBECUE / BAKE SALE

On the **weekends of 8/9 November and 22/23 November**, we are having **sausage sizzle sale after all Masses**, except for the 8:30am Mass. Parishioners can buy them as you leave the church after Mass. There will **bake sale after the 8:30am Mass**. We are asking parishioners to bake something that we can sell after the 8:30am Mass. A sign-up sheet is in the gathering space for people who are able to help to bake an item.

Baked items are to be delivered to the church on the Saturday at 3pm, at the latest.

All sale goes towards ACYF fundraising.



BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

During November, we Catholics remember in prayer our deceased relatives and friends, and all who have died. Our special "Book of the Names of the Dead" is in the gathering space. **We invite you to write the names of your loved ones who have died during the past 12 months (Nov 2024 - Oct 2025)**. This book will be placed before the altar during all Masses in November as we remember our loved ones 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 place them in the basket at either collection or submit them to the parish office.

Please note: The names of the dead will neither be in the bulletin nor announced during Masses, except for recent death.



BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

We welcome into the Catholic faith the following who are baptised on Saturday 1st November: **Dante Phelps, Adria Rebello and Donte Cruz**. Please pray for them and their families!



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL - Last Weekend
Total Collection taken up: \$3,004.90 Thank You.



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FUNERAL - URSULA CASTLES

Ursula passed away recently. Ursula was one of our regular Sunday 9am Mass attendee. She was also part of the 9am Choir. The funeral is scheduled to be held at Howard Squires Funerals, 12-14 Emily St, Seymour, next Saturday 8 November at 12pm. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ursula, and also pray for Ian Castles and the whole family during this difficult time.

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Archbishop Peter Comensoli has appointed Fr John Vespa as the Assistant Priest of Caroline Springs Parish. Fr John has the privilege of having been ordained a priest by Pope Leo XIV in June 2025. We eagerly look forward to our new Assistant Priest to join our parish from the 10th of December 2025.

CHANGE OF MASS & ADORATION TIMES

Tuesday 4 November

Please note that Tuesday 4 November is a Public Holiday, Melbourne Cup Day. Parish daily **Mass will be at 9:30am** instead of 7:00pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession will start at 8:30am, followed by Benediction before Mass starts at 9:30am.

FIRST CLASS RELIC & EXHIBITION OF EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF ST CARLO ACUTIS



Monday 3 Nov - Saturday 8 Nov 2025

The Church will be open from 8:00am to 8:00pm from Monday 3 November to Friday 7 November, and on Saturday 8 November from 8:00am until the relic and exhibition are put away at 10:30am.

Parishioners are **encouraged to spend some time in prayer before the relic. We need at least 2 people to be in the presence of the relic at any one time.** There are sign-up sheets in the gathering space if you can commit to an hour or more during the week.

We kindly request that parishioners or any visitors not to approach or attempt to touch or to pray at the relic during Mass times. Thank you.

PRAYER SERVICE OF LAMENT

Archbishop Peter Comensoli has invited all those who have been affected and impacted by abuse and violence across the Archdiocese to join in a **Prayer Service of Lament on Wednesday 12 November 2025**, in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral. Daily Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 1:00pm for those who wish to remain in prayer before the Lord. Parishioners are requested to join the wider Archdiocesan community in prayer and reflection during the week of 5-12 November.

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