



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."*

1st Sunday of Lent (Yr A) – 22 February 2026



*"Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted
by the devil." (Gospel)*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word
that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

Today's Scripture Readings

Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 50; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Gen 12:1-4; Ps 32; 2 Tm 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

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, Nomer Yu, Marianne Lim, Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Mar Tristan Benitez, Divina Gracia Carbungco, Teremoana Tagiilima Sea, Noah Bonello, Baby Niko, Jennifer Yamzon

For the Dead

8:30am: Edward Durai, Clara Iba |

10:30am: Domenico Nesci, Domenica Patti, Giuseppe Patti, Anthony Ong Wee Lee |

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Mass Offering/Intention for the Dead – Please submit these no later than 12 noon on Thursdays | **Announcements & Notices** – Please submit these by the end of Wednesday. Thank you.

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:30am–1:30pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Every 2nd Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm (KOREAN)

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 CATHOLIC PRI SCH (Prep-Yr. 6)

54 Caroline Springs Blvd. | Phone: 93618600

(PRINCIPAL: Mrs Michelle Cassar)

ST GEORGE PRECA CATHOLIC PRI SCH (Prep-Yr. 6)

22-48 Lancefield Drive | Phone: 7378 5500

(PRINCIPAL: Mr Michael Ozbun)

ST MARIANNE COPE CATHOLIC PRI SCH (Prep-Yr. 6)

35 Sentinel Parade, Mount Atkinson 3029 | Phone: 9003 3697

(PRINCIPAL: Mrs Jacqueline Byrne)

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE CS (Year 7-10)

10 College Street, Caroline Springs | 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

Stations of the Cross



EVERY FRIDAY
10.00am & 7.00pm
Friday 20th February to
Friday 27th March

"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed." 1 Peter 2:24 NIV

LENTEN RETREAT FOR YOUTH

The Little Sisters of the Poor in Northcote are inviting youth for a day of prayer and reflection. The Lenten Retreat for youth is free, and lunch will be provided. Details:

When: **Saturday 14th March 2026**

Time: **09:30am – 6:00pm**

Venue: **Little Sisters of the Poor, 112B St Georges Road, Northcote**

For more information & registration, please contact Sr Maureen at 0416609878 or email: srmaureenmokaya@gmail.com

FOOTSTEPS OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PILGRIMAGE 2026



Our parish is organising a pilgrimage to Italy and Croatia, tracing back to places where St Catherine visited. The pilgrimage will be from **19 Sept to 4 Oct.**
\$8,990 AUD per person / 30+ Paying Pilgrims
\$9,290 AUD per person / 20 + Paying Pilgrims
Single room (except on the ferry) \$1,790 per person
A copy of your passport and a deposit is required in order to secure a place.

For the itinerary, call or email the office and it will be sent to you. For more details and bookings, please call Magi Pilgrimages at 03 8839 6615.

"Be who God created you to be and you will set the world on fire."

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

ABLAZE

YOUTH GROUP
CAROLINE SPRINGS

Starting Friday 9th February 2024

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE SCHOOL HALL
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
FOR YOUTH IN HIGH SCHOOL (YEARS 7-12)
6-8 PM

FELLOWSHIP!
FUN!
FOOD!

ABLAZE YOUTH GROUP

Ablaze Youth is inviting a SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER from the Australian Catholic Youth Festival on **Friday 27**

February from 6pm-8pm at CRC Hall. All those in high school Years from 7 to 12 are more than welcome to come along. For further enquiries, please contact: stcatherineyg@gmail.com

VIGILS OF REPARATION

There will an evening of prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday 27 February** in the parish. The evening starts with **Stations at 7:00pm**, then **Mass at 8:00pm**, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary, prayers, and then ending with Mass again at 12 midnight. Parishioners are most welcome to come and join. For more information, please refer to posters in the gathering space.

2026 COMMUNION OF REPARATION VIGILS

100th Anniversary of Our Lady's Appeal in Pontevedra, Spain



BINGO

Fantastic prizes to be won

Venue:
St Catherine of Siena
Regional Catholic College
10-28 College Street,
Caroline Springs.

Enquiries phone
Tess: 0429 798 309
Joe: 0417 367 522

NEXT 'BINGO':
MONDAY
2nd MARCH
Venue: CRC
Cafeteria @7PM

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. CASH ONLY**

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH IS COMMITTED TO BUILDING A CHILD-SAFE ENVIRONMENT



PARISH BARBECUE

The monthly barbecue is this **Sunday 22 February after the 12:30pm Mass**. You are most welcome. We particularly thank Bakers Delight, Taylors Hill, for providing bread for the BBQ.

GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Grief & Bereavement 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
3. Speak to Fr Richard



VISITATIONS OF OUR LADY'S STATUE

Our Legion of Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, Presidium is inviting parishioners to welcome our Lady's statue into their homes, which will be a visible reminder of Our Blessed Mother who intercedes for us. Interested parishioners can write down their contact details in the sign-up sheet in the gathering space. For more information, please call **Mary Rose Peeters on 0412 797 005**

FORMED

ONLINE CATHOLIC MATERIALS FOR ALL

Parishioners are invited to access this platform for **FREE** on all sorts of Catholic based materials like talks, audio dramas, e-books, and even cartoons for children.

There are over 4,000 catholic studies that are available from over 60 apostolates, including Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, and the Knights of Columbus, with materials that are professionally produced, engaging, and solid in its catechism.

To gain access to all of FORMED's content, follow these simple steps:

*Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>

*Enter our parish's postcode

*Enter your name and your email address

IMPORTANT: CHILD SAFETY

It is the Archdiocese Child Safety Policy that every child has to be under the care of a parent at all times within our premises. As such, we advise that if any child who goes to the toilet has to be accompanied by an adult, preferably by a parent.



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PROJECT
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UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY

this Lent

Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world. Project Compassion 2026 shares four stories from around the world. We'll meet Sisilia from Tanzania, Monoranjon from Bangladesh, Manaini from Fiji and Ahmad from Gaza.

Each of this year's stories highlights unique challenges, yet they are united by the determination to rise above adversity and to build brighter, more hopeful futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

Please donate today

You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code. Or online at:

www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty this Lent.



PARISH FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT

The parish has a new account known as Parish Fundraising. It has been set up to save as much funds as possible for future renovations and most importantly to build a hall. It will be much appreciated if you could donate directly into the following account as and when you could.

Name: **St Catherine of Siena - Parish Fundraising**

BSB: **083 347**

Account No: **335 331 856**

We thank you in advance for your generosity.

MELBOURNE PASSION PLAY 2026

Recruiting NOW!



The Melbourne Passion Play re-enacts the journey of Jesus Christ's life from baptism to crucifixion.

The play will be performed on Palm Sunday & Good Friday at CRC Sydenham, 380 Sydenham Rd, Sydenham VIC 3037.

Rehearsals have started.

Those interested in taking part, please contact Gino Gammaldi on 0422662451.

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED. Come along!

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