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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."

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 19 July 2026



"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 85; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 118; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52

PRAYER REQUESTS

For the Sick

Conchita Claudio, Patricia Muscat, Mary Buhagiar, Emmanuel Chime, Violeta Serimogan, Ezio Rischitelli, Alida Beric, Arturo De Jesus, Baby Luca, Obi Obi, Eleonor Rivera-Mendoza, Gloria Ng, Edwin Dragwidge, Sheldon Rodriques, Sam Simmons, Elba Synott, Nomer Yu, Marianne Lim, Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Mar Tristan Benitez, Divina Gracia Carbungco, Teremoana Tagillima Sea, Noah Bonello, Baby Niko, Jennifer Yamzon, Ana Fernandes

For the Dead

6:00pm: Abraham Thomas, Sheila David, Margaret Machado |
10:30am: Anthony Ong Wee Lee, Anita Yamzon, David Lay, Martha Fernandes |

Church Finances for the Month of April 2026

Total Income: \$ 32,129.00 | Expenditure: \$ 37,334.00

Nett Deficit: \$ (5,205.00)

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

Asst Priest: REV. FR JOHN VESPA

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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

ABLAZE WOMEN MINISTRY

Last Monday 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 Ozburn)

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)

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Website: www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au

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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 17th July 2026

My dear people,

Our parish is going to experience one of our annual highlights from the end of next week when, during the Masses beginning Saturday 25th July, we will have First Holy Communion. We will start with the candidates from Christ the Priest Catholic Primary School and Saint Marianne Cope Catholic Primary School. We celebrate with these families as their children receive our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time. We continue to pray for the children themselves, and that as they receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time, they will certainly feel his presence with them and be convinced that he is the person to guide them along the paths of everlasting life. We are also mindful that things change a little at Masses for first Holy Communions with a few pews reserved for the children receiving Holy Communion for the first time and they receive Holy Communion first.

We have had to change itinerary of the parish pilgrimage in order to avoid flying through the Middle East owing to the uncertainty of that area at the moment. We are now traveling via Hong Kong. We will still enjoy the wonderful places that we mentioned. As a reminder, these are Rome, Rotondo (Padre Pio), Siena, (our patron saint, St Catherine of Siena) and Assisi (St Francis of Assisi, St Clare and St Carlo Acutis) among others. One of the highlights will be the three nights spent in Medjugorje where we will be able to meditate on the messages that Our Lady has for the world that she delivered there. I am in the process of organising a retreat for the pilgrims who will be able to come with us. This is therefore another very warm invitation for more people to join us on what promises to be a great time of spiritual renewing as all pilgrimages usually are.

On Friday 24th July, in the evening, we will continue the Vigil of Prayers for the reparation of all the harms caused by sin. As we know, the Church has had this custom for many years and it is indeed important to pray that the damage caused by sin be repaired. This year we pray particularly in response to the appeal made by Our Lady when she appeared in 1925 in Pontevedra to St Lucia who had preciously witnessed the apparitions of Our Lady in Fatima. We will start with Mass at 7pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 7:30pm until Benediction at 11:50pm. The Sacrament of Confession will be available during the time of Exposition. There will also be prayers from 7:30pm until Benediction.

We continue turning to our patron saint and we ask for her intercession.

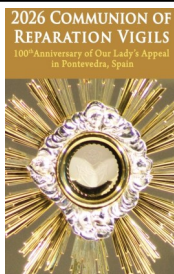
St Catherine of Siena, Pray for us.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr Richard Rosse PP

VIGILS OF REPARATION

There will an evening of prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday 24 July** in the parish. The evening starts with **Rosary at 6:30pm**, then **Mass at 7:00pm**, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary, prayers, and then ending with Mass again at 12 midnight. Confessions will be available between Masses.



FUNERAL MASS - MARKO LUKIC

Marko Lukic who used to attend Mass here with his mother, Ana Lukic, passed away recently. **The Requiem Mass will be held in our church on Wednesday 22 July at 11:30am.** Parishioners are invited to attend to pray for the repose of the soul of Marko.

ABLAZE YOUNG ADULTS

The Ablaze Young Adults will be gathering this **Sunday 19 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.



ABLAZE YOUTH GROUP

The Ablaze Youth Group will be meeting on **Friday 24 July from 6pm to 8pm** in CRC Hall. Deacon Royden of St Peter the Apostle Parish, Hoppers Crossing, is invited to speak on faith and family. All high school students in Years 7-12 are welcome to come along. See you there!



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 first meeting for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will be on Saturday 5 September.** For more details, please call the parish during office hours and speak to Fr Richard.

FIRST AID TEAM

There is a meeting for the First Aid Team in the meeting rooms on **Tuesday 21 July at 7.40pm.** We are still in need of volunteers of nurses, doctors and other medical professions to be on standby whenever there is a medical emergency **during Mass, especially for the 8:30am and 12:30pm Masses.** If you are able to help, please speak to one of the priests after Mass or call the office.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please take note that the **next four weekends** we will have students from St George Precia Catholic Primary School, Christ The Priest Catholic Primary School and St Marianne Cope Catholic Primary School receiving Holy Communion for the first time at all Masses. We ask you to be patient, welcoming and accommodating to all families.

FRIDAY 8:00AM MASS

Please note that the 8:00am Mass on Fridays has resumed from Friday 17 July onward during this school term. All are welcome.

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WITH
Fr Richard Rosse

18th SEP - 2nd OCT 2026

HIGHLIGHTS

- Pray at the St Peters Basilica
- Guided tour of Catacombs & Vatican Museum
- See the tomb of St Francis in Assisi
- Pray at the tomb of Padre Pio
- Climb the Apparition Hill in Medjugorje
- Pray at the Sanctuary of St. Catherine
- Visit to St. Carlo Acutis, the first millennial saint

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Year 7, 2028 CRC CAROLINE SPRINGS ENROLMENT FORM ENDORSEMENT

Enrolment applications are now open to Year 5 students who will be starting Year 7 in 2028.

Applications close Friday, 14 August 2026.

It is a requirement that you meet with our Parish Priest, Father Richard Rosse, so he can endorse your child's CRC enrolment. Please go to the link <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/mgb3g> or use the QR code to make a booking. Fr Richard will provide an Endorsement letter at that meeting, and you will need to email a copy or drop it in to CRC to support your child's enrolment. All bookings are prior to the 14 August application deadline.



The Enrolment application is online via CRC website: <https://www.crcs.vic.edu.au/enrolment-1/enrolment-procedures>

Please note that parents/carers who already have children attending the College and who have a sibling in Year 5 will still need to complete an online enrolment. All applications will be carefully reviewed after the closing date based on the strength of the application. **The date the application is submitted does not factor into the selection criteria.**

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