



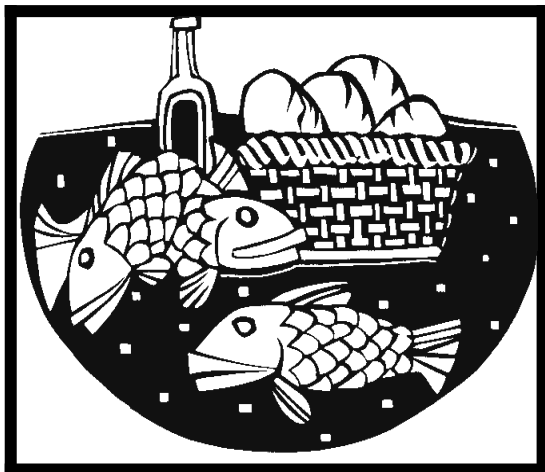
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(Canonically Established: 18th January 2006)

OUR PARISH VISION

"A welcoming and dynamic faith-filled Catholic Community, living and sharing the Gospel, to set the world ablaze."

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 2 August 2026



"He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**The hand of the Lord feeds us:
he answers all our needs.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
**No one lives on bread alone, but on every word
that comes from the mouth of God.**
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Is 55:1-3; Ps 144; Rom 8: 35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1 Kgs 19:9, 11-13; Ps 84; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

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 Rodrigues, Sam Simmons, Elba Synott, Nomer Yu, Marianne Lim, Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Mar Tristan Benitez, Divina Gracia Carbungco, Teremoana Tagilima Sea, Noah Bonello, Baby Niko, Jennifer Yamzon, Ana Fernandes

For the Dead

10:30am: Montana Lalongisip, Marianna Micallef, Rosario Micallef, Antonia Micallef |

Church Finances for the Month of April 2026

Total Income: \$ 42,735.00 | Expenditure: \$ 32,114.00

Nett Surplus: \$ 10,621.00

CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

Parish Priest: REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

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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 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

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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 July 2026

My dear people,

It is with great joy that I bring you the awesome news that our parish will again host first class relics of St Carlo Acutis. This time, we will host the pericardium of his heart for the weekend of 10th and 11th of October. It will arrive at 8am on 10th October and leave the parish on 11th October. I will find out more and give you further details in the next few weeks. One thing I can announce is that we will have an overnight vigil of prayers in the presence of the first-class relic. I will soon put out a sign-up sheet in the gathering space for people to sign up to be with the relic overnight. We will need at least two people at all times for an hour. Several years ago, we did that when we had an all-night vigil of the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. It will be very similar. We know already that the intercession of St Carlo Acutis has brought about many miracles around the world. My personal intention is that it will bring about a renewal of the faith among our younger parishioners, particularly for teenagers, those in their 20s and in their 30s. We will also entrust to the intercession of St Carlo Acutis all people from our parish who will join World Youth Day next year in Seoul.

On Wednesday 5th August, we will hold the next session of VIA. VIA is a Catholic discipleship journey for anyone seeking to grow as a follower of Jesus Christ. Rooted in friendship, formation, discussion and prayer, VIA offers a clear and supportive path for deepening our faith. I strongly invite everyone to come on Wednesday starting at 7pm. There is no doubt in my mind that you will benefit from it as the feedback from former participants has only been very positive.

On 15th August, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. This is a holy day of obligation, which means that all Catholics have an obligation to attend Mass on that day. As usual, to make it easy for everyone to fulfill the obligation, there will be a Mass at 7pm on Friday, 14th August, which will be the Vigil of the Solemnity. There will also be the usual Saturday morning Mass at 9:30am on 15th August. The vigil mass of Saturday evening will also count as fulfilling the obligation.

Over the past two years, we have, as a parish community, had the use of the Latin language at our weekend Masses when it comes to the responses at Mass. The official language of the church is Latin. The Latin language is also one of the treasures of the church which has been about around several centuries. The Second Vatican Council, which met from 1962 to 1965 taught that the use of the vernacular language, the language of the place where the liturgy is being celebrated can be used during the liturgy. The Council also taught that the use of the Latin language should be preserved in the Mass (***Sacrosanctum Concilium SC No. 36***). *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, the document of the Second Vatican Council on the liturgy, also taught that the faithful should be able to say or sing together in Latin those parts of the Mass which pertain to them (***SC No. 54***). This is the reason the use of the Latin language has been brought to the Mass in our parish; it is to be faithful to the Church and the Second Vatican Council, and also to bring out the beauty of one of the treasures of the faith. Please do not hesitate to ask me if you would like more information about this matter.

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

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK: 2-9 AUGUST

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

friendship / formation / discussion / prayer

VIA

The Discipleship Journey



For More Info & Registration

Upcoming Meeting: stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au/via
gavin.muscat@cam.org.au

Wed 5th August 2026,

7pm at the Church Meeting Room!

JOIN US!

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



This day is a holy day of obligation. Holy days of obligation are days on which the faithful are expected to attend

Mass, and engage in rest from work and recreation, according to the Third Commandment.

Parish Masses:

Friday 14 Aug (Vigil): **7:00pm** | Saturday 15 Aug: **9:30am**

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Next Friday, **7 August** 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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Christ the Priest, St Marianne Cope & St George Preca Catholic Pri Schools

We congratulate and pray for our young people who are receiving First Holy Communion this weekend.

SATURDAY, 6PM: Christina Bui, Tomas Andres Currea Cardozo, Roedy Long, Aria Gatt, Eli Phillips, Caitlyn Raymer, Jacinta Galati, DeAngelo Diasnes, Xavier Maroun, Ives Chua

SUNDAY, 8:30AM: Anthony Kyle-Jose Victuelles

SUNDAY, 10:30AM: Isaac Evans, Summer Czapora, Olivia Ramos, Luca Schembri, Divinia Sadeskumar, Xander Zanatta, Alaivasa Pritchard-Morunga, Jonas Bacarac

SUNDAY, 12:30PM: Karmen Attallah, Mason Michael Galea, Ava John, Harper Spatolisano, Janina Yasmine Adanza, Reigan Araseli Gantalao, Jlyana Pestano

HEALING MASS

The healing Mass will be on **Sunday 9 Aug, celebrated by Fr John Vespa**. There will be prayers and laying on of hands. The Prayer Ministry will be available before Mass for individuals and families seeking personal prayers.

Evening Schedule:

4:00pm - Holy Rosary

4:30pm - Praise & Worship

5:00pm - Mass

4:00 - 5:00pm - Personal prayers for individuals and families by Prayer Ministry members.

SHAPE THE FUTURE:

Be Counted as Catholic this Census

Australia's national Census will be held on 11 August 2026. Catholics are encouraged to mark "Catholic" in the question on religion. In a time when some would seek to diminish the importance of faith, it is vital that the Catholic community be represented in our national statistics. Census data supports Church pastoral planning and contributes to government decision-making on health, education, infrastructure, and social services – guiding resource and funding allocations across Australia. By identifying as Catholic, you can help ensure that the contribution and needs of faith communities are properly recognised and considered in future planning and policy decisions.



THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2026

'Courage!....do not be afraid.'
(Matthew 14:27)



In these words, Jesus invites us to move forward with confidence, knowing that He walks with us. By supporting this campaign, you help sustain ministries that accompany those in need, strengthen our parish communities, and bring Christ's love to others. Thank you for answering this call with courage and generosity.....Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne

The Archbishop's Campaign helps to bring the mission of the Church alive in our community.

It does this by supporting the works of the Priest Retirement Foundation, the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the CatholicCare Victoria Chaplaincy Program, Melbourne Overseas Mission, John Pierce Centre, the University of Divinity for the Catholic Theological College and grants to Catholic agencies and community service organisations.

The main collection weekend for this year's campaign will be the weekend of 15-16 August.

BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH



We welcome into the Catholic faith the following who are baptised on Saturday 1 Aug:
Liana Ajala, Lilah Badenhorst, Lucia Plazanic.
Please pray for them and their families!



'BINGO' - MONDAY 3 AUG 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. CASH ONLY**

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