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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."

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 30 August 2026



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me." (Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 62; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 94; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

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, Laila Bunoan

For the Dead

6:00pm: Prema De Fonseka, Eileen Van Cuylenberg, Elvira Pinto |
8:30am: Rita Croning, Joan Ramos-Fabella, Durai Anthonisamy |
10:30am: Manuel Sammut | **12:30pm:** Vittoria Frangiosa |

Church Finances for the Month of June 2026

Total Income: \$ 36,520.00 | Expenditure: \$ 55,395.00
Nett Deficit: \$ (18,875.00)

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 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)

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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 28th August 2026

My dear people,

The preparations for the visit of the pericardium of Saint Carlo Acutis are going well. We hope to advertise all the activities and opportunities for veneration of the relics as well as times of the Solemn Blessing with the relics next weekend. May I ask you to start thinking about the possibility of coming to spend one hour with the relic overnight from 10th October to 11th October this year. The relic will arrive at 8am on Saturday 10th October and will leave the parish at 5pm on 11th October. We are very close to publishing the timetable for the time the relic of Saint Carlo will be with us.

This weekend we continue to accompany and pray for our younger parishioners who will receive Holy Communion for the first time. This weekend, younger parishioners who do not attend the catholic primary schools within the parish will receive Holy Communion for the first time. Let us pray that, as they go through this next step in their Christian initiation, their relationship with our Lord will be deepened, and their friendship with him awakened.

Also, on Sunday 16th August, younger parishioners who do not attend the parish catholic primary schools were confirmed by Bishop Martin Ashe, the Auxiliary Bishop for the Western Region. I invite you to continue to pray for these younger parishioners of ours that, in confirming their faith, the Holy Spirit will fill them with gentle promptings to always stay close to our Lord. We also thank Bishop Ashe for his generosity in giving his time to confirm them.

This 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.

On Monday evening 31st August, we will hold our monthly Ablaze Women's Group. It will start at 7pm and end at 9pm. A place for prayer, scriptural reflection, adoration, guest speakers, small group sharing and fellowship will be the focus of the ministry. All women are cordially invited to attend.

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

CANCELLATION - PARISH CONSULTATION ON MELBOURNE SYNOD PAPERS

Sadly the above consultation to be held in our parish this Sunday has been cancelled due to a very poor attendance.



ABLAZE WOMEN MINISTRY

The Ablaze Women Ministry will be meeting on **Monday 31 Aug** in the **meeting room from 7pm to 9pm**. Prayer, scriptural reflection, Adoration, guest speakers, small group sharing and fellowship will be the focus of

the ministry. For more information, please email tina_matana@hotmail.com



DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH, INTERNATIONAL FOOD DAY & FR RICHARD'S 9TH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTHOOD CELEBRATION

The Parish will be celebrating Intl Food Day/Church Dedication Anniversary/Fr Richard's 9 Years as Parish Priest on 4 Oct 2026 at CRC Hall from 1:30pm. Parishioners are requested to bring a plate of savoury/sweet to represent their culture/nationality to share. Please ensure to **register your attendance on the sign up sheet** in the gathering space, so arrangements can be made to accommodate everyone. If anyone would like to host a stall to represent their country, please contact the social committee.

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Next Friday, **4 Sept** 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

There will be praying of the rosary in honour of Immaculate Heart of Mary every first Saturday of the month. The next session is on **Saturday 5 Sept at 3:30pm** in the meeting room.



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 or Fr Vespa



FATHER'S DAY / WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 (SEOUL, S. KOREA) FUNDRAISING

Bakers Delight

In partnership with Bakers Delight, Taylors Hill, the parish is taking orders for apple & walnut log, custard & almond log, fruit or choc chip buns, and the ever popular - scones.



Early bird discounts are available until Sunday 30 August. To order, please fill out a form and pay (cash/ credit card/EFTPOS) in the gathering space.



Items will be sold on Father's Day at normal price.



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 Sept.** For more details, please call the parish during office hours to speak to Fr Richard.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

We congratulate and pray for our young people who are from the government and private schools receiving First Holy Communion this week-end.

SATURDAY, 6:00PM: Angeline Khalouf, Brooklyn Grech, Isaiah Leong, Mason Borg, Nash Combo, Telsa Vaofusi, Zoe Tawonezvi, Johan Saguin, Sienna Pizzul, Ethan Danay, Xavier Muscat

SUNDAY, 8:30AM: Joachim Fabella, Eve Moore

SUNDAY, 10:30AM: Caleb Merced, Lawrence Grech, Yuan Santos, Damian Cheong, Fiona Kappen, Riley Mauhay, Feliz Santos, August Gozalez, Sarah Stefani, Lachlan Tonna, Francine Evans, Noah Tan, Ilera Maciejewski

SUNDAY, 12:30PM: John Puyat, Georgia Colakidis, Anastasia Keteses, Layla Kuczynski, Demiro Hapin, Samatha Colakidis, Alexandra Colakidis, Aston Tahir, Lucas Borg, Slade Calleja, Laureli Calleja



BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

We welcome into the Catholic faith the following who are baptised on Saturday 31 Aug:
Aidan Jansongkrod, Norah Naidu, Bodhi & Jedda Edwards and Carlos Nicolle.
Please pray for them and their families!



'BINGO' - MONDAY 31 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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