



# Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

(Canonically Established: 18<sup>th</sup> January 2006)

## OUR PARISH VISION

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

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 13 September 2026



*"Peter went up to Jesus and said: 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother or sister if they wrong me?'" (Gospel)*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**The Lord is kind and merciful;  
slow to anger and rich in compassion.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved you.**  
Alleluia!

### Today's Scripture Readings

Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 102; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Is 55:6-9; Ps 144; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Mt 20:1-16

### 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 Tagiilima Sea, Noah Bonello, Baby Niko, Jennifer Yamzon, Ana Fernandes, Laila Bunoan, Normida Morrissy, Anna

#### For the Dead

**6:00pm:** Victor Marianayagam, Sammy Buttigieg, Thomas Durai |  
**8:30am:** Rita Croning, Joe Calabro, John Haber | **10:30am:** Anthony Ong Wee Lee, Camelo & Rosalia Fenech | **12:30pm:** Gwen & Prudence Fraser, Glen Sheen, Mary Gilford, Paula Attard, Filx Attard |

### Church Finances for the Quarter of April-June 2026

Total Income: \$ 116,589.00 | Expenditure: \$ 119,636.00

**Net Deficit: \$ (3,049.00)**

### CAROLINE SPRINGS PARISH

**Parish Priest:** REV. FR RICHARD ROSSE

**Asst Priest:** REV. FR JOHN VESPA

**Parish Coordinator:** MR ROBERT DURAI

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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 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)

For the latest updates, please visit our Parish Website and other social media platforms

Website: [www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au](http://www.stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au)

Facebook: @St.Catherine.Siena.CarolineSprings.Australia



## ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CAROLINE SPRINGS

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world ablaze"

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2026.

My dear people,

The preparations for the visit of the pericardium of St Carlo Acutis are going well. I trust that you have seen the programme for the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> October as advertised on the notice board in the gathering space, our website and Facebook page. The programme includes details about the veneration of the relic as well as times of the Solemn Blessing with the relic. May I ask you to put your name down now to spend some time with the relic? I am sure that you have many intentions and desires for which you will benefit from the intercession of St Carlo Acutis. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the gathering space for you to write your name down. I invite you to be generous with your time.

This evening, we will hold our monthly Ablaze Men's Group meeting. As always, we will start with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and the Sacrament of Confession will be available from 7pm until Benediction at 7:40pm. We are delighted to have a guest speaker at Ablaze Men's Group this evening. Mr John Pridmore, whom we welcomed three years ago, is in Melbourne at the moment and he will give a talk during the time of the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All men of the parish are warmly invited.

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September, we will hold the next session of VIA at 7pm in the church meeting rooms. VIA a great opportunity to deepen one's understanding of faith, share our experiences and insights, and grow in friendship in a welcoming and relaxed setting. This will be our final VIA meeting for the year as a large group. New participants are always very welcome.

My next message to you will be on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October. I will set out next Friday, together with 14 other pilgrims, on the parish pilgrimage for 2026. I humbly ask for your prayers for the pilgrims and for me and I assure you of mine particularly when we are in Siena and in Rome venerating our Patron Saint.

I would like to sincerely thank those of you who have contributed to the Special Appeal to raise funds for the shed and to fund our Youth Ministry Coordinator position. We have already received \$4,980. May I encourage you again to help with this important appeal for our parish.

Today, I celebrate the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of my Ordination to the Priesthood. As I reflect on the past 16 years, I can't help but thank God most sincerely for having given me this truly wonderful blessing of sharing in the Priesthood of his son our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. I will forever be grateful for my first two and a half years as Assistant Priest of St Anthony's in Noble Park and my time at St Patrick's Cathedral for the following three years and nine months. I am particularly grateful to him for the past nine years as Parish Priest of St Catherine of Siena, Caroline Springs. My time here among you has taught me, in the most marvellous ways, what it means to be a pastor and I am encouraged to strive to be the Good Shepherd that the Lord wants me to be. I humbly ask you, out of your charity, to continue to pray for me, that Our Lord will mould me to be a priest after his own heart.

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



### HOSPITALITY - THIS WEEKEND

After Mass, please join us for a cuppa - coffee, tea, biscuits and cakes with your fellow parishioners. We thank Bakers Delight, Taylors Hill, for providing sweets and savouries.

**Do you want to grow closer to Christ & deepen your Catholic faith?**

friendship / formation / discussion / prayer

# VIA

The Discipleship Journey



For More Info & Registration

Upcoming Meeting: [stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au/via](http://stcatherinecarolinesprings.org.au/via)  
**Wed 16th Sept 2026,** [gavin.muscat@cam.org.au](mailto:gavin.muscat@cam.org.au)  
**7pm at the Church Meeting Room!**

**JOIN US!**

### ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION: PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged from 30 into their 50's, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

**Tuesday, 22 September 2026: 7:00 - 8:00pm**

**Location: via ZOOM** (link will be sent soon)

Attendance will be by invitation. Please email Deacon Kevin Pattison at [Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au](mailto:Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au)

### A CALL TO PRAYER SERVICE of LAMENT

The annual Service of Lament for survivors of abuse will be held on **Tuesday 15 September 2026 at 4.00pm in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral.** Archbishop Peter Comensoli has invited all to join him in prayer as he said that this memorial service is an occasion to humbly stand alongside those who have suffered abuse, and all who continue to carry its lasting effects. It is for us, as the Body of Christ, to acknowledge and lament sincerely and with humility the failures that have caused such profound harm, and to place before the Lord our prayer for healing, justice and the ongoing conversion of His Church.



### CELEBRATION: DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH, INTERNATIONAL FOOD DAY & FR RICHARD'S 9TH ANNIVERSARY OF APPOINTMENT TO THE PARISH

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 parish office.



### WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 (SEOUL, S. KOREA) FUNDRAISING

*Bakers Delight*

Amount raised for Father's Day: **\$1509.40**, and together with Mother's Day, **we raised a total amount of \$2,494.40 (including donations).**

We take this opportunity to thank Bakers Delight, Taylors Hill, for partnering with us in this World Youth Day fundraiser. We thank you too for supporting this project.

### SPECIAL APPEAL FOR SHED & YOUTH GROUP COORDINATOR

**Amount received so far: \$ 4,980.00**

We need a total sum of \$20,000. A donation box is fixed to the pillar on the right-hand side in the gathering space as you leave the church. Donations in cash or via EFTPOS are most welcome. We thank you for your generosity.

### NO 8:00AM MASS

Please note that there will be NO 8:00am Mass until Friday 9 October

### ST CARLO ACUTIS MAJOR RELIC PILGRIMAGE

The pericardium of Saint Carlo Acutis will be in the parish from **8am on Saturday 10th October until 5pm on 11th October.** The



timetable of activities and the times of the Solemn Blessing with the relics are on the notice board in the gathering space, and our website and Facebook too. 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 visit.



### ALPHA PROGRAM

The new Alpha Program is starting on Wednesday 7 October, and it runs for 10 weeks. The Alpha program is for those who have faith to deepen their faith and for those who do not yet know God to come to know God.

Registration is now open via TryBooking.

Use the following link or QR code to register. <https://www.trybooking.com/DNFWL>



### 'BINGO' - MONDAY 14 SEPT 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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