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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."

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) – 27 September 2026



Jesus said: "Which of the two did the father's will?"
(Gospel)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 24; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Is 5:1-7; Ps 79; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

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, Christopher Zammit

For the Dead

6:00pm: Leelamma Joseph, Joseph Pisani, Carmen Pisani, Charlie Pisani | **8:30am:** |Joseph Pisani, Carmen Pisani, Charlie Pisani, Rita Croning
10:30am: | **12:30pm:** |

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
Parish Secretary: MRS MAGGIE MAZZULLO (Tue - Thur)
Evangelisation Coordinator: MS ANN O'BRIEN
Evangelisation Coordinator (Discipleship): MR GAVIN MUSCAT
Deacon: REV. MR DOMINIC LAWES

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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)

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**

NO FRIDAY 8:00AM MASS

Please note that there will be
NO 8:00am Mass
until **Friday 16 October**

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



ST THERESA's PARISH, ALBION *75TH PARISH/ SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY*

A wonderful opportunity for past parishioners, students, families, and friends to reconnect with their history and rekindle special memories of St Theresa's School and Church. Come and celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Church and school on Sunday 4th October at 10:30am Mass, followed by food and refreshments in the school hall.
All are welcome for this milestone celebration.

JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY



A Junior Presidium of the Legion of Mary has started in our parish. The presidium meets every Saturday from 2pm to 3pm in the church meeting room. They

- Pray the Rosary
- Learn about Jesus, Our Blessed Mother Mary and the Saints.
- Are helpful and obedient at home.
- Do works of service.

Those between the ages of 10 and 17 are welcome to join the group. For more details, please contact **Mary Rose Peeters on 0412 797 005**.

CHURCH BULLETIN

Please return any bulletin to the gathering space if you are not taking it home, rather than leaving them on the pews or throwing them away. Thank you.



HOSPITALITY - THIS WEEKEND

After Mass, we have coffee, tea, biscuits and cakes. It is an opportunity to enjoy a cuppa with your fellow parishioners. Please join us after Mass in the gathering space.



ABLAZE WOMEN MINISTRY

The Ablaze Women Ministry will be meeting on **Monday 28 Sept** 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

DEACON DOMINIC's ORDINATION

It is confirmed that Deacon Dominic Lawes will be ordained to the priesthood on **Saturday, 14 November 2026**. **Mass will be at St Patrick's Cathedral at 10:00am**.
The parish will be chartering buses for parishioners to attend the ordination. More details will be made known soon.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA's WOMEN For The WORLD APPEAL



In Papua New Guinea, many women still face pregnancy and childbirth without access to the care, equipment and support they need. Health centres are often under-resourced, and distance, cost and extreme weather can make reaching care a challenge. Your help can upgrade rural health centres and give women a safer chance to bring new life into the world. Your gift today can help support safer pregnancies, safer births and healthier futures for mothers and babies.

Please donate today at www.caritas.org.au/wftw

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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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.

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



Next Friday, **2 Oct** 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 3 Oct at 3:30pm** in the meeting room.

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR SHED & YOUTH GROUP COORDINATOR

Amount received so far: $ 5,705.00

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.

MARCH FOR THE BABIES

This is the 17th annual March for the Babies, and every year since 2009, thousands of Victorians have gathered peacefully with grief and hope to remember the ever-increasing number of babies killed by abortion in this state since the Government legalized abortion-till-birth on October 10, 2008. Come and show your support and march for the babies on **Saturday, 10th October at 1:00pm** at Treasury Gardens, Cnr Spring St and Wellington Parade, Melbourne.

Wear pink and blue for the Babies!

www.marchforthebabies.com

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 SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER THIS WEEKEND

SUPPORTS PROVIDING MEALS FOR OUR ALPHA PARTICIPANTS OVER THE 10 WEEK ALPHA PROGRAM

1 Sausage - $3.00 or 2 for $5.00

ALPHA – A safe space to explore the big questions about life, faith & meaning.

Each Wednesday
7th Oct to 9th Dec 2026
6:30pm to 8:30pm
CRC - 28 College Street
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Weekly Schedule
6.30pm - Guests Arrive | Mingle | Dinner
7.10pm - Video Topic of the Week
7.40pm - Small Groups Discussion
8.30pm - Return to main group | Close

Bookings essential

BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH



We welcome into the Catholic faith the following who are baptised on Saturday 26 Sept:
Elias & Jasmine Shaheen and Kainen Yabut
Please pray for them and their families!



'BINGO'

MONDAY 28 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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