



# St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ  
Year A  
7<sup>th</sup> June 2026

## ST. AGATHA'S PARISH INFORMATION

**Church:** 129 Sladen Street, Cranbourne  
**Presbytery:** 131 Sladen Street, Cranbourne  
**Parish Office:** 1 Scott Street, PO Box 95,  
Cranbourne 3977  
**Office Hours:** Mon 1.00pm - 3.00pm  
Tue to Fri 8.30am - 3.00pm  
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**For Parish News & Events:**  
<https://stagathas.org.au/news-and-events.html>

**Parish Priest:** Rev. Fr Antony Rebelo  
**Assistant Priest:** Rev. Fr Ajin Albarnas  
**Sisters of the Nativity:** Sr. Faustina Ede &  
Sr. Victoria Orinya

**Parish Secretary:** Mrs Tina Dam  
**Assistant Secretary:** Mr Adam Dam  
☎ 5996 1985  
**Parish Safeguarding Officer:**

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**Email:** [cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au)

**St Agatha's Primary School**  
3 Scott Street, Cranbourne  
☎ 5996 2724

**Principal:** Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

**St Therese's Primary School**  
131 Endeavour Drive  
Cranbourne North  
☎ 5996 7525

**Principal:** Mrs Felicity Broughton

**St Peter's Secondary College**  
Cranbourne Campus - Navarre Drive Cranbourne West  
Clyde North Campus - 55 MacKillop Way Clyde Nth  
☎ 5990 7777  
**Acting Principal:** Mr David Hansen

## ST. AGATHA'S PARISH MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** 6.00pm  
**Sunday:** 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am, 2.00pm &  
6.00pm

**Livestreamed Sunday 9.00am**  
**Monday to Saturday: 9.30am**

*Please search YouTube: St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne*

### Weekday Mass Times - In the Church & Livestreamed

Monday: 9.30am  
Tuesday: 9.30am  
Wednesday: 9.30am & 10.30am Willow Wood Aged Care  
Thursday: 9.30am & 12.30pm St Agatha's School Mass  
Friday: 9.30am, 12 noon @ St Therese's School &  
7.00pm  
Saturday: 9.30am

### Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: 10.00am  
Saturday: 10.00am

### Mass for Vocations

Saturdays 9.30am- Live Streamed

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 10.00am - 11.00am - Live Streamed  
Saturday: 10.00am - 11.00am - Live Streamed  
Tuesday to Thursday: 8.30am - 9.00am followed by  
**Divine Office:** Morning prayer 9.00am - 9.15am

### Adoration Chapel: Sunday: 6am to 6pm

Monday: 5.00pm to 10.00pm, Tuesday to Saturday: 6am to 10pm.  
Entry via FOB, obtained via the parish office

### First Saturday Mass at 9.30am

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary  
**First Friday Mass 7.00pm** Healing Mass followed by  
Adoration till 10.00pm

**Mass for the Unborn:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month 9.30am  
**Holy Hour for the Unborn - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month** after 9.30am  
Mass

### Baptisms

Baptisms following the 10.45am Mass. By appointment.  
Baptism Information Session held on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month,  
at 3.00pm in the Church.  
[Information Session Bookings may be made through the parish  
website or by visiting the parish office]

### Marriages

6 months' notice requested.

## PARISH NEWS

**Dear parishioners**, today, we celebrate the solemn feast of the **Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of JESUS CHRIST (Corpus Christi)**. Although we celebrate the institution of the Holy Eucharist on Holy Thursday, the Church wants to emphasize its importance by a special feast, formerly called "Corpus Christi." The last two precious gifts given to us by Jesus are the Holy Eucharist as our spiritual food on Holy Thursday and Jesus' mother Mary as our spiritual mother on Good Friday. It was Pope Urban IV who first extended the feast to the universal Church. As part of the celebration, **there will be a Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5:00 PM, followed by a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction, and then Mass at 6:00 PM.** We invite all those attending the Sunday evening Mass to come a little earlier and spend this special time in adoration and prayer before the Lord.

**Congratulations to our First Holy Communicants** on receiving Jesus for the first time in the Holy Eucharist this Saturday and Sunday. May you always feel His presence in your heart and walk in the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A heartfelt thank you to Sr Faustina and Sr Victoria, our dedicated Religious Education teachers and Principals from St Agatha's and St Therese's Schools, and all who have supported and guided the children throughout their preparation. May God bless you all abundantly. With joy and blessings.

### **JUNE 12TH - SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated on the octave day of the feast of Corpus Christi. In the 17th century Jesus appeared in a vision to **St. Margaret Mary Alacoque** asking her to request that this feast be celebrated in honour of his Sacred Heart in reparation for the ingratitude of mankind toward the sacrifice of his love on the Cross. Pope Pius IX extended the feast of the Sacred Heart to the universal Church in 1856.

#### **SACRED HEART OF JESUS, HAVE MERCY ON US!**

### **JUNE 13TH – Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary began as early as the twelfth century. During the seventeenth century in France, St John Eudes popularised this devotion along with that to the Sacred Heart. St Luke's Gospel twice mentions that Mary 'kept all these things in her heart', pondering the word of God. Mary shows us how to listen to the words the Holy Spirit speaks to us in the depths of our hearts, and how to respond in faith. (from Universalis)

Fr. Ajin and I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to each of you for your active participation in the May Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Your presence, prayers and dedication made this spiritual journey deeply enriching and meaningful. A special thanks goes to the Rosary Group, Divine mercy Kids and Legion of Mary for organising the Rosary procession to be such a beautiful and meaningful event. God bless you all.

**Dear Parishioners**, I will be away on my **annual holidays** back to India from 10th June to 10th July. In my absence Fr. Ajin Albarnas will oversee the parish and will look after all pastoral responsibilities. Please keep me in your prayers and be assured of mine. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Fr. Antony, Parish Priest

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:** Please note the parish office will be closed on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June for the public holiday. The office will reopen on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 1.00pm.

**CUPPA FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH:** JUNE cuppa after 10.45am Mass on the First Sunday of the month will be hosted by Divine Mercy Group.

**PPC MEETING** will be held this Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm.

**FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA:** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am Mass. We will bless 300 individually wrapped small loaves of panini and distribute them to parishioners. These are eaten at home as a spiritual reminder of blessings received.

**PULPIT SWAP NEXT WEEKEND:** Fr Aju Varghese will be celebrating Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 7.30am & 9.00am & Fr Casimir Arul will be celebrating 10.45am & 6.00pm. Priests of the Diocese swap the pulpit to share their Vocation stories and promote God's calling in each one of us. It is a way of listening to God's voice calling.

**ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING:** Parents are invited to attend this meeting for the first ½ hour for an information session.

A training session will be held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June from 6.00pm to 7.30pm for all existing Altar servers and all those interested in becoming an Altar Server.

**DIGITAL KEY: If you misplace or lose your FOB, please contact the parish office immediately.** If your FOB for the Adoration Chapel, is no longer working please contact the parish office. If you wish to access the Adoration Chapel contact the parish office to arrange to collect FOB key. A deposit of \$15 is required per FOB.

**HOLY SPIRIT HOUR:** Thursday 11th June and Thursday 18th June, 7:30 – 8:30 pm in the church. Video topic by Fr Pivonka for June is: The Holy Spirit and the Eucharist. **All parishioners are invited to spend an hour in the presence of the Holy Spirit.**

**FUNDRAISING:** My Big Adventure, story book by Lorie Cotacte a parishioner of St Agatha's. A comforting story for children, parents, and teachers to share, reminding little hearts: "You are perfectly made, and Jesus delights in you! \$13 proceeds of the book will be donated to the parish and Caritas. Contact Parish office.

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Pray for Persecuted Christians in Nigeria.** Did You Know? One in Seven Christians Worldwide Experiences Persecution. An estimated one in seven Christians worldwide experiences persecution or discrimination because of their faith. In countries including Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Pakistan and China, Christians can face imprisonment, violence, or pressure to abandon their faith simply because they follow Christ. Yet despite persecution, countless Christians continue to gather for Mass and practise their faith with remarkable courage - even when doing so may place their freedom or lives at risk. These Christians are not strangers to us. They are our brothers and sisters in Christ, and we are called to stand with them in prayer and solidarity. Through Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), discover their stories and be inspired by the courage of Mathieu and Pauline, catechists from Burkina Faso who were kidnapped for their faith.



Read their remarkable story by scanning the QR code, or visit [www.aidtochurch.org/bulletin](http://www.aidtochurch.org/bulletin)

**ARE YOU DISCERNING A CALL TO MINISTRY?** The Catholic Diocese of Sale invites you to an afternoon of storytelling and fellowship. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet others on a similar journey and hear firsthand accounts from priests about their lives and their unique calls to ministry. Sunday, 7th June 2026, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, 496 Princes Hwy, Narre Warren.

**NEW PAPAL ENCYCLICAL: MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS-** Pope Leo XIV has released his historic first encyclical, 'Magnifica humanitas: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence.' Our bishops have warmly welcomed this crucial message. Everyone is highly encouraged to read their full response and explore the encyclical's teachings by visiting the Catholic Diocese of Sale website: [www.cdsale.org.au/news/](http://www.cdsale.org.au/news/)

**The 5 Love Languages- The Secret to Love that Lasts: Enrichment Day for Couples** is based on the international bestseller by Dr Gary Chapman (more than 10 million copies sold). *We all need to feel loved. Men and women have an "emotional love tank".* Deb & Paul bring the concepts of the book alive in a humorous and relatable way as they share their own experiences. **9 am-5 pm, Sat, 15 August 2026 @ St Eugene's Retreat & Conference Centre, 45 John Field Drive, Newborough VIC 3825. Cost: \$60 per couple** (includes course materials, lunch and morning & afternoon tea). More information and booking: <https://www.trybooking.com/DMSUR> Enquiries: Maria & Andre Rasquinha E: [andrerasquinha@yahoo.com.au](mailto:andrerasquinha@yahoo.com.au) T: 0411 225 992

**SAFEGUARDING:** Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk. **SAFEGUARDING WWCC & NEW DIOCESAN PARISH CODE OF CONDUCT:** All parish volunteers are required by the Safeguarding Standards to have a Working with Children Check, and to sign the new Parish Code of Conduct. This is mandatory for all volunteers <https://www.stagathas.org.au/safety.html> Contact the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985 or email [Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au)

If a person is in immediate danger of physical or sexual abuse: Call 000.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP:** 1800RESPECT - 1800 737 732; SAFE STEPS: 1800 015 188; ORANGE DOOR: 1800 271 170 Dandenong or Pakenham.



**The Recently Deceased:** Marietta Paroissien, Andre Chua

**Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time:** Walton Woods, Manfred Hamilton, Sylvia Payet, David Wookey, Joseph Desmier, Catalina Valencia, Victor & Clara Joseph, Yvonne Lynch, Soyza family, Barry Blackwell, Villaviecencio family, Gracy, Francis Joseph, Clara Gresle, Maria Dias, Antony Roberts & grandparents, Navarro family, Tango & Barte families, Antoinette Crasto, Josephine Watson, Mgr Stan Crowe, Fr William McLoughlin

**Those who are sick:** Jacinta O'Neal, Gerard MacFarlane, Kellie Monson, Lyndell Adikari, Nelson Ting Chung Sing

*With respect for the privacy of the person who is ill, we can only accept requests from the ill person or their immediate family. Loved ones prayed for on the sick list will remain on the list for one month, unless advised otherwise. If you would like a Mass Offered for a loved one, special occasion or other intention please contact the Parish Office at least a week prior to the date requested.*

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 19:2-6 Rom 5:6-11 Mt 9:36 10:8

6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	L Lim	K Parrocho, B D'Souza, M Thomas, C D'Lima, R Trevisan
7.30am	T Heldt	P & L Joseph
9.00am	M Duke	Y Prasetyo, D Dsouza, M Krotwaar, T Dam, M Dam, A Dam, S Spaul
10.45am	L Cotacte	T Nyerenyere, S Lucas, N Atulia, L Caballero, M D'Costa, T Lupeamnu, R Samson
6.00pm	A Kumarasin	J La Brooy, C Joseph
CHURCH COUNTERS		A Antony, C & E Moore

**ST. AGATHA'S VOICE FOR LIFE**



**MASS FOR THE UNBORN - 9.30am Mass**  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month

"Verily I say unto you, in as much as you have done it unto one of the least of these My Brethren, you have done it unto Me."  
*Matthew 25:40*

13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	M Lim	L Lim, R Sutherland, M Parrocho, R Clarke, K Parrocho
7.30am	M Vechooretu	T Heldt, L Jean Louis
9.00am	P Joseph	P & L Joseph, E Mandividza, Y Prasetyo, C Gostimir, C Pereira
10.45am	I Lemalu	L Coctacte, MG Sombilon, J Raudino, L Sombilon, A Fosio, M Thomas, C Noronha
6.00pm	J La'Brooy	E Clinch, B D'Souza
CHURCH COUNTERS		S Sewarimuthu, P Magsanoc, C Gostimir

**ST. AGATHA'S YOUTH GROUPS: YOUTH CORNER**

**STAY (ST. Agatha's Youth)**, invites all young people ages 12-30 to attend our sessions We cannot wait to get to know every young person in our parish! For any enquiries, please get in touch with the Parish Office!

Follow us on Instagram! @stagathasyouthcranbourne

**JUNE**  
7<sup>th</sup> June Invigorate 12+ Standing out or Fitting in? Being a Catholic in a Secular World. Speaker M Hughes

12<sup>th</sup> June Adoration + Praise & Worship  
21<sup>st</sup> June Youth Mass, Invigorate Youth 12+ From Knowing to Living Guest Speaker AUSNZ Net Elizabeth Lupeamanu  
26<sup>th</sup> June Invictus 18+ Exploring Pope Leo's Magnifica Humanitas - Speaker Fr Ajin Albarnas

**GROUPS & MEETINGS**

**RCIA:** [For Adults interested in becoming Catholic] Enquiries Parish Office: 5996 1985

**RCIC:** For children aged 4 years and above preparing for Baptism. Sr Victoria 5996 1985

**MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN:** Mon 6:30pm Parish Hall during school terms.

Contact: Mary Krotwaar 0417 391 298

**CATECHETICS [R.E.] CLASSES:** Each Wed at 4pm in the Hall during School Terms. Enquiries: Sr. Victoria 5996 1985

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Weekdays after morning Mass & Rosary in the Church.

**SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP:** Tuesday 6.00pm to 8.30pm in the Church. Enq: Tuna Fuimaono 0499 333 996

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:** Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Enq: Ruth 0494 047 927

**YOUTH GROUPS INVIGORATE [Age 12-17]** Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am

**INVICTUS [Age 18+]:** Meet 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am Youth Mass. Enq: 5996 1985

**VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP:** Enquiries: Maria Nieuwesteeg 0409 563 864 or email [voiceforlife@hotmail.com](mailto:voiceforlife@hotmail.com)

**SANTO NINO:** Mass last Friday of the Month: 7.00pm. Enq: Tulip Ramirez 0431 211 115

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Vinnies Shop - 218 High Street Cranbourne. Phone: 5996 3926, **Vinnies Help Line: 1300 305 330**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month in the Hall; Meeting 6.00pm

**CATHOLIC CARE GIPPSLAND:** For Family & Relationship Counselling phone 1800 123 338 or 1800 522 076 for appointments.

**GODSTART:** Post-Baptism follow-up Program. For further information contact the Parish Office: 5996 1985

**LEGION OF MARY:** Enquiries: Pracena Joseph 0434 017 846 or Joseph Pasala 0466 803 491

**HOLY SPIRIT HOUR:** Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month 7.30pm to 8.30pm Enquiries: Charles & Beth Fivaz



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PARISH

We acknowledge the Bunurong and Wurundjeri peoples and recognise the gift of their culture to the life and spirit of Australia.

**APP:** The parish APP is available from: 'GOOGLE PLAY STORE'. It contains Mass Times, Parish Calendar, Weekly Bulletin and much more! Simply search for **St Agathas** and download the APP to your mobile device.

**LIVE STREAMING MASSES:** Sunday 9.00am Mass, Masses 9.30am weekday are Live Streamed, for those parishioners who are home bound and unable to attend Mass. <https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne>

## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026

### FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 8:2-3.14.16*

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

The word of the Lord.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

#### ***R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.***

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you. **R.**

He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. **R.**

He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**

### SECOND READING

*1 Corinthians 10:16-17*

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The word of the Lord.

### GOSPEL ACCALAMATION

***Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!***

### GOSPEL

*John 6:51-58*

Jesus said to the Jews: I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

The Gospel of the Lord.

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death ... ..



*Most Holy Body and  
Blood of Christ*