



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A
28th 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

[Closed for lunch 12.30pm - 1.00pm]

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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

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Parish Safeguarding Officer: Anita Hughes

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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

Principal: Mr David Hansen

ST. AGATHA'S PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am & 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 & 11.30am Funeral

Thursday: 9.30am

Friday: 9.30am & 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 9.00pm

Mass for the Unborn: 1st Friday of the Month 9.30am

Holy Hour for the Unborn - 1st Friday of the Month after 9.30am
Mass

Baptisms

Baptisms following the 10.45am Mass. By appointment.

Baptism Information Session held on 1st 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

A Message of Gratitude

Dear Parishioners, on behalf of my family, I would like to sincerely thank you for your prayers, support, and expressions of sympathy following the passing of my beloved mother, Emili Rebelo. Many of you reached out through WhatsApp, text messages, social media, phone calls, Mass intentions, and personal prayers. Your kindness and support have been a great source of comfort to me and my family during this difficult time.

My mother had been suffering from end-stage liver cirrhosis. By God's grace, I was able to spend two weeks with her, caring for her and accompanying her as she prepared for her eternal journey. She received the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Viaticum and passed peacefully into the Lord's loving embrace in the early hours of Saturday 20th, June.

While it is difficult to accept the loss of her physical presence, we take comfort in our faith and in the hope of the Resurrection. We remain united with her in prayer and trust in God's mercy.

Thank you once again for your love, support, and prayers. Please continue to pray for the repose of her soul and for our family. I look forward to returning to the parish on 9th July. May the Lord grant eternal rest to my mum. God bless you all. **Fr. Antony Rebelo**

Dear Parishioners, next weekend the Catholic Communities across Australia will celebrate Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday, a sacred moment to give thanks for the enduring faith, culture, and spiritual wisdom of our First Nation sisters and brothers.

A guest speaker Michael Murphy from Freedom Publishing will be speaking at all Masses next weekend except the 7.30am Mass. Michael will speak about YOUCAT and set up a bookstall for sales. The piety stall will be selling YOUCAT for Kids and YOUCAT for Youth at a subsidised price from 12th July.

As the school term comes to an end, we thank Michelle Bruitzman for her time at St Agatha's Primary school. We wish her all good blessings for the future.

Mrs Kate Dourley has been appointed Principal of St Agatha's Primary School and Mr David Hansen who has been appointed Principal of St Peter's College, Cranbourne and Clyde North. We congratulate them on their appointments and wish them every blessing. Fr Ajin, Assistant Priest

WE WELCOME AS A CHILD OF GOD: Kiani King, child of Jesse & Amanda.

LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER COMMISSIONING will be celebrated this weekend at the 10.45am Mass.

FUNERAL MASS will be celebrated for Elizabeth Van Den Broek this Wednesday 1st July at 11.30am.

ST VINNIES FOOD BIN: "Donating food is a practical way to help people going through a tough time." If you'd like to help the St Vinnies Food bin in the foyer is available for you to donate nonperishable food. Thank you.

PARISH WORKING BEE: Church Deep Clean. Many hands make light work! It is time for a church deep clean to ensure our worship spaces remain fresh, welcoming, and safe for everyone. 11.00am Saturday 4th July after morning Adoration. If you can assist or have any questions, please contact the parish office. We can't wait to see you there!

CUPPA FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: JULY cuppa after 10.45am Mass on the First Sunday of the month will be hosted by Parish Choir.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION AND PARENT WORKSHOP: Wednesday 15th July 7.00pm and Wednesday 22nd July 7.00pm at St Agatha's School Hall. For more information contact Sr Faustina on 5996 1985.

THANK YOU: Dear Staff and Parish community,

As I prepare to move on from St Agatha's school, I have been reflecting deeply on the past four years and words truly cannot express the depth of my gratitude to each one of you. Each of you has personally impacted me in ways I will carry forward long after I leave.

I am leaving with mixed emotions! Excited for what lies ahead and yet nervous and sad about leaving behind a community that has meant so much to me. The St Agatha's community has felt like home. I can only hope that I will be able to create that joy at St Carlo Acutis. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for everything. Warmest regards, *Michelle Bruitzman*.

Principal of St Agatha's Primary School

IGNITE YOUTH CONFERENCE FUNDRAISING: Come support the youth bake sale this Sunday after 9am and 10:45am masses!

BYRYANI + BUTTER CHICKEN SALE after the Saturday 4th July 6pm mass and the Sunday 5th July, 9am, 10:45am and 6pm masses. Please contact Anthony 0492908539 or Danielle 0479057744 to preorder, we will also have some to purchase on the day too!

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY: Pope Leo XIV has designated Sunday, 26 July 2026 as the Sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, with the theme "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15).

In preparation we invite you to join us in making this day special.

- We invite families to attend a weekend Mass with their grandparents on Saturday 25th July or Sunday 26th July.
- Grandparents to email a photo of themselves with their grandchildren. Please make sure you have the parents' permission to share via social media.
- Children are encouraged to make a card for their grandparents to give them at Mass or for an elderly person who may experience loneliness, isolation, or vulnerability, while celebrating the wisdom, faith, and contribution they bring to our communities. For the later these cards can be dropped off at the parish office.
- A gathering for the grandparents and elderly will be held after each Mass on the weekend. Saturday 6.00pm in the Church foyer, Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am and 10.45am in the parish hall. Sunday 6.00pm in the Church foyer. **Parish groups are invited to host and bring a plate to share after weekend Masses. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.**
- More exciting news and information in the coming weeks.

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.

FREE: Depend Incontinence underwear for someone in need. Please be assured your privacy will be respected. Please contact the parish office.

MARY MACKILLOP: A SAINT OF OUR TIME Explore Saint Mary MacKillop's legacy and learn how to draw inspiration from her life to make a meaningful difference today. Presenter: Sr Rita Malavasi RSJ (over 30 years in ministry and prominent refugee advocate). Thursday, 6th August 2026, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Online. Registration: cdsale.org.au/events 03 5614 5163 newsonline@sale.catholic.org.au

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH HOLY COMMUNION IN THE ABSENCE

OF A PRIEST: As part of Bishop Greg's pastoral vision for our Diocese, parishes are being encouraged to embrace the ministry of Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion in the Absence of a Priest. This initiative ensures that the faithful can continue to gather in prayer, listen to God's Word, and receive Holy Communion when a priest is unavailable. We are grateful that several members of our parish community have recently completed the required diocesan training and are now ready to be commissioned for this important ministry. Their willingness to serve reflects a deep commitment to the life and mission of our parish.

This ministry is not a replacement for the Holy Mass but a beautiful expression of the Church's care for Her people, ensuring that the community remains united in worship and nourished by the Word of God and the Eucharist.

Let us welcome and support those who have answered this call to service and embrace this ministry with faith, gratitude, and a spirit of unity. May it strengthen our parish community and deepen our encounter with Christ, who is always present among His people.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Persecution & Faith: A Witness of Courage and Forgiveness from Pakistan.

Twenty-year-old Akash Bashir was serving as a volunteer security guard at his parish in Lahore, Pakistan, when a terrorist with explosives tried to enter the church. Akash said, "I would rather die than let you in," and then gave his life to prevent a massacre.



In the years since, his parents have offered an extraordinary witness of Christian faith. Asked whether they had forgiven those responsible for their son's death, they replied: "Yes, we have forgiven them and pray that they may find the right path to God."

Their example reminds us that the Gospel calls us not only to courage, but also to forgiveness. Reflection: Where may God be asking you to make a sacrifice out of love, or to forgive an injustice against you?

<http://www.aidtochurch.org/>

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/

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. Our Safeguarding Officer is Anita Hughes [Wednesday] contact the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985 or email 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: Emili Rebelo, Elizabeth Van Den Broek, Usha Rufus

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Andrew Wickremashinghe, Thengapurakkel Family, Renato & Riccardo Bigoni, Piuti Lesoa, Fabillar & Legado Families, Marie Hilda Dantier, Michael Xerri, Linda De Rozario, Cheriyparambil family, Jacob Stephen, Maria Das, Antony Roberts & grandparents, Sr Helen Adah, Clara & Victor Joseph, Puliyanatha family, Linda De Rozario, Kartheyedathu family, Antoinette Crasto & Joseph Crasto, Fr Philip Falcao, Prof Fr Sylvester Barry, Mg Bill Walsh, Fr Eugene O'Connell, Fr Michael Dwyer, Mgr John Gallagher

Those who are sick: Jacinta O'Neal, Gerard MacFarlane, Kellie Monson, Lyndell Adikari, Cathy Lucas, Randy Jansz, Judith Potori, Frs. Michael Willemsen & Peter Slater,

*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 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Zech 9:9-10 Rom 8:9, 11-13 Mt 11:25-30

27 th & 28 th June	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	Children's Choir	A Hughes, R Sutherland, L Lim, M Parrocho, K Parrocho
7.30am	H De Costa	C Gostimir, D Lutu
9.00am	C Noronha	T, M & A Dam, S Spaul, P & L Joseph, E Mandividza
10.45am	M G Sombilon	B Dsouza, T Lupeamanu, R Samson, L Cotacted, J Raudino, L Sombilon, A Fosio
6.00pm	L Piedad	J La'Brooy, B D'Souza
CHURCH COUNTERS		R & C Beloso, M Rodrigues, L Noronha

ST. AGATHA'S VOICE FOR LIFE



MASS FOR THE UNBORN - 9.30am Mass
1st 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

4 th & 5 th July	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	M Parrocho	B D'Souza, M Thomas, C D'Lima, R Trevisan, L Lim
7.30am	F George	M Natoli, M Lutu
9.00am	C Gostimir	J Prasetyo, K Auvale, M Gambin, Y Prasetyo, M Krotwaar, T Dam
10.45am	J Raudino	MG Sombilon, M D'Costa, C Noronha, R Papiernik, J La'Brooy, D Dsouza, T Nyerenyere
6.00pm	R Gimeno	C Joseph, E Clinch
CHURCH COUNTERS		K Jolley, C Di Pietro, V Bucello

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

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 3rd Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am
INVICTUS [Age 18+]: Meet 1st 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
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: 1st & 3rd 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 2nd & 3rd Thursday of the month 7.30pm to 8.30pm Enquiries: Charles & Beth Fivaz

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

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>

13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 28th June 2026

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:8-11.14-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R.**

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. **R.**

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 6:3-4.8-11

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more.

When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward. If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



whoever
welcomes you
welcomes me.

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Mt 10:40

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death