



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



**First Sunday of Advent
Year C
28th November 2021**



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]

☎ **5996 1985** Fax: **5996 1992**

Email: parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

Website: www.stagathas.org.au

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr Joseph Abutu

Assistant Priest: Rev. Fr Stanly Devasia

Sisters of the Nativity: Sr. Mary Olofu,

Sr. Faustina Ede & Sr. Victoria Orinya

Sr. Julie Ogbole [St Thomas the Apostle Parish]

Parish Safe Guarding Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ **5996 1985**

Email: cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au

Parish Secretary: Mrs Tina Dam

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St Agatha's Primary School

3 Scott Street, Cranbourne

☎ **5996 2724**

Principal: Mr Terry Cahill

St Therese's Primary School

131 Endeavour Drive

Cranbourne North

☎ **5996 7525**

Principal: Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

St Peter's Secondary College

Cranbourne Campus - Navarre Drive Cranbourne West

Clyde North Campus - 55 MacKillop Way Clyde Nth

☎ **5990 7777**

Principal: Mr Chris Black

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

Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/StAgathasCP/>

Weekday Mass Times

Monday: 9.30am for fully Vaccinated - Live Streamed

Tuesday 9.30am for fully Vaccinated - Live Streamed

Wednesday: 9.30am for fully Vaccinated - Live Streamed

Thursday: 9.30am for fully Vaccinated - Live Streamed
& 7.00pm unknown status

Friday: 9.30am for fully Vaccinated - Live Streamed
& 7.00pm

Saturday: 9.30am for fully Vaccinated - Live Streamed

Reconciliation/Confession

Friday & Saturday: 10.00am Suspended

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

Divine Office: Morning prayer 9.00am - 9.15am

Adoration Chapel: 24/7 Entry to the chapel is via a PIN code, obtained through the Parish Office. Please check in with the Victorian QR code app on arrival.

Healing Mass Suspended

First Saturday Mass at 9.30am

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Friday Mass 7.00pm followed by a spiritual teaching and Adoration till 10.00pm

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

Holy Hour for the Unborn - 1st Friday of the Month 7.30pm-8.30pm

Baptisms

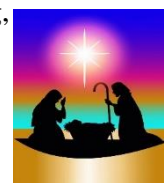
Sundays at 12.30pm by appointment. Baptism Information Session held on 1st Sunday of every month, starting at 3.00pm in the Hall. [Bookings may be made through the parish website or by visiting the parish office]

Marriages

6 months' notice requested

ST. AGATHA'S CHURCH - CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMETABLE

Advent Reconciliation Service: Tuesday 21st December at 7.00pm Several Priests available.
Christmas Eve: 6.00pm-Family Mass School Oval **8.00pm**- Family Mass School Oval BYO chairs or rug,
Church: 10.00pm & Midnight Mass (carols from 11.30pm)
Christmas Day: 7.30am, 9.00am & 10.45am
Sunday Boxing Day 7.30am, 9.00am & 10.45am "NO EVENING MASS"
New Year's Eve: 11.00pm Vigil Prayers, followed by **Mass at 11.30pm** Mass.
New Year's Day: 7.30am, 9.00am & 10.45am



This Sunday we wish Fr Joseph a very Happy Birthday, may God continue to bless you always

DEAR PARISHIONERS, We welcome Fr Stanly back from his holidays.

We apologize the Adoration Chapel opening was delayed; it is now open. Please be mindful the Tabernacle is new and the door needs to be handled with care.

We are very grateful and thank the family for their generous donation for the new Tabernacle and renovation in the Adoration Chapel.

Congratulations to all the children who celebrated their First Holy Communion this weekend, please continue to keep the children and their families in your prayers!

9.00am & 10.45am Mass on Sunday will be live streamed to the parish hall for 35 people with an unknown vaccination status as the DQ4 still applies and Communion will be brought to the hall. Mass on Thursday evening at 7.00pm will be celebrated for those with an unknown vaccination status.

It is a requirement that you check in using the Victorian Government App QR code provided which indicates your attendance and validates your vaccination status. If you do not have a mobile phone, please sign in via the check in stand in the foyer. May God Bless you, Fr Joseph

WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN OF GOD: Thivein Karunaratne, child of Kavithra & Sewmi, Amelia Kater, child of Denzil & Jessica, Ava Benjamin, child of Anton & Vivian, Austin Solomons, child of Andrew & Michelle, Renzo Merin, child of Jean & Danielle, Isabella Marcelino, child of Edgardo & Christine.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: A special collection will be taken up for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal, now Summer Appeal at all weekend Mass on the 4th & 5th December. This special collection will go to serve the poor in our parish and the wider community, we thank you for your continued generosity.

MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL will take place this Friday 3rd December. It will begin with Divine Office at 6.30pm, Mass at 7.00pm followed by a spiritual teaching and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament till 10.00pm. The Vigil will conclude on Saturday morning with Morning Prayer of the Church at 9.00am, followed by Mass at 9.30am. The all-night Prayer Vigil is held on the first Friday of each month. All Welcome!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION Mass of Reparation in honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will take place Saturday 4th December after the 9.30am Mass. This devotion includes the reciting of 1 Rosary and meditating on the other 3 Mysteries of the Rosary and concluding with a consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All Welcome.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES: Please collect from the foyer to save postage on costs. Names are filed in Alphabetical order.

JUNIOR RCIA CLASSES: Saturday from 4.00pm to 5.00pm and Thursday 4.00pm to 5.00pm in the Parish Hall.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for children in Government Schools will not resume until February 2022.

LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY ROSTER: New rosters will be emailed next week. All volunteers are required to be fully vaccinated. Please inform the office if you wish to be removed from the Roster.

Netflix for Catholics, free for all **parishioners!** Go to our **parish website** at <https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-formed-gift-subscription.html> on how to join and logon with the parish code: **2QKKNB** Every week - Formed highlight different content.

This week: **Advent**
<https://watch.formed.org/advent-1>

SYNOD 2023 WALKING TOGETHER: Let's Walk Together!



Companions on the Journey. Jesus wants us to walk together side by side.

Of those in our Church, who do we walk with and who is forgotten? What about those

outside the Church, who is not included or welcomed? Have your say

<https://tinyurl.com/HavingASay> or use the QR code



BLESSED - ADVENT RETREAT: Do you want to have a Blessed Advent and Christmas? It's not too late to join our Advent Retreat for this year 2021. There will be Day as well as Evening sessions.

Day time sessions will be on Thursdays, December 2nd, December 9th, and December 16th from 10:30am to 12:30 pm.

Evening sessions will be on Fridays, December 3rd, December 10th and December 17th from 7:00 pm to 9:00pm.

Advent Retreat Daily reflections will be available for your prayer material. The venue of the retreat is at The Providence House. We also offer this retreat online. Ruth 0477800161 - Divine 0427706498

COVID SAFETY: In line with current government restrictions. We ask that you kindly use the QR code provided and present a digital or a paper copy of their COVID-19 vaccination certificate (where applicable) If you do not have a mobile phone, please sign in providing your name, contact details and signing the verification of your vaccination status.

IF YOU FEEL UNWELL PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND MASS.

MASS ATTENDANCE IN THE CHURCH: online booking to attend Mass is no longer necessary, capacity limits will still apply for now as Casey is still regarded as a hotspot. Please arrive early to Mass as the Church doors will be locked 15 minutes before Mass.

UNKNOWN VACCINATION: Masses will be live streamed on Sunday at 9.00am & 10.45am in Parish Hall for 35 people, Thursday evening at 7.00pm in the Church Mass in the Church on Thursday evening at 7.00pm for 50 in the Church DQ4 rule still applies

FACE COVERINGS: Are recommended if you cannot physically distance.

FUNERALS (INDOOR AND OUTDOOR): Permitted for fully vaccinated people indoors. Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap. 50 unknown status DQ4 rule applies

Please refrain from touching or kissing devotional items. They should be venerated by bowing or other faith appropriate action.

ADORATION CHAPEL please check in with QR code on arrival and follow instructions. Capacity limits still apply.

SOCIAL DISTANCING: The pews in the Church have been moved for your safety. Please do not move the pews in the Church for your safety and it causes damage to the carpet.

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 Officers are Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin who can be contacted 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**



The Recently Deceased: Sam Adikari, Aquiles Letelier, Rosie McMahon

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Michael Mills, Joseph Varghese, Anthony & Jennifer D'Silva, Osman Ali Khan, George Phillips, Jasper & Iris Johnson, Bob Arokiswamy, Peter Moses, Anthony, Dorothy & Margaret Fernandez, Saby & Lourdith Fernandes, Gabriel Mathias, Maria Lurid Miral & Daniston Miranda, Nicholine & Benjamin Jayakody, Joseph & Miguel Rodrigo, Meraaya & Muriel Jayamanna, baby Rodrigo, Thersia, Sebastiano Guiammara, Alex Salvo, Tessy Thomas, Fr James Hayes, Fr David Cagney

Those who are sick: Arlette Lalouette, Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Lorenzo, Ignazia Carcangio, Glen Lippert, Edgar Lalouette, Nella Raffa, France Bernon, Janet Elliott, Margaret Fry, George Kelaart, Odilia Schreurs, Baby Noah, Norma Clapperton, Rosa Visalli, Teresa & Mario Marinelli, Annarosa & Ignazia Zucca, Otto Harris, Kay Martini, Lyndell Adikari, Wayne Bourke, Gerry Shafton

With respect for the privacy of the person who is ill, we can only accept requests from the ill person or their immediate family. Please advise the Parish Secretary if you wish to be taken off the sick list.


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 – 2nd Sunday of Advent Baruch 5:1-9, Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

27-28 November 2021	Lector		
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Children's Choir	L Clark, B Duyvestyn	
7.30am	R Trevisan		
9.00am	R Spierings		
10.45am	L Gillespie		
6.00pm	M Garcia		
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Suspended		
CHURCH COUNTERS			
CHURCH CLEANERS			
4-5 December 2021	Lector		RESTRICTIONS PERMITTING
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	T Heldt		D Barker, C D'Lima
7.30am			
9.00am	T Dam		
10.45am	S Laufou		
6.00pm	J MacDonald		
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Suspended		
CHURCH COUNTERS			
CHURCH CLEANERS			

ST AGATHA'S VOICE FOR LIFE

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MASS FOR THE UNBORN – 9.30am Mass
1st Friday of the Month

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION, 7.30pm
1st Friday of the Month – at our Adoration chapel

“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*

GROUPS & MEETINGS

- RCIA:** [For Adults interested in becoming Catholic] Enquiries: Tina 5996 1985.
- RCIC:** For children aged 4 years and above preparing for Baptism. Sr Faustina 5996 1985.
- CATECHETICS [R.E.] CLASSES:** Each Wed at 4pm in the Hall during School Terms. Enquiries: Sr. Faustina 5996 1985
- AFRICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY:** 1st Sunday of the Month after 10.45am Mass in the Hall. Enq: Sisters
- THE BRIGADIERS OF LOURDES:** 2nd Saturday of the Month 2.30pm–4pm. Enq: Lorraine Dunkley 5996 8771
- DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Weekdays after morning Mass & Rosary in the Church.
- SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP:** Tuesday 6.30pm to 8.30pm in the Church. Enq: Petelo 0435 118 132
- CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Mon 10.30am Parish Hall Ph: Jacinta 0426 973 026
- PARISH CELLS COMMUNITY:** For further information contact Parish Office.
- SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:** Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Enq: Ruth 0477 800 161
- YOUTH GROUPS INVIGORATE [Age 12-14]** Meet 2nd Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am
- AGAPE [Age 18+]:** Meet 3rd Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am Youth Mass. Enq: Sr Mary 5996 1985
- VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP:** Enquiries: Maria Nieuwesteeg 0409 563 864 or email voiceforlife@hotmail.com
- 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; Rosary 7.00pm; Meeting 7.15pm.
- CATHOLIC CARE GIPPSLAND:** For Family & Relationship Counselling phone 5941 4100 for appointments.
- GODSTART:** Post-Baptism follow-up Program. For further information contact Sr Victoria 5996 1985
- PLAYGROUP:** For COVID safety reasons, suspended until further notice. Contact Sr Victoria 5996 1985
- FAMILY ROSARY GROUP:** 3rd Friday of the Month in the Parish Hall. Enquiries: Anita 5995 5545

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Parish Pastoral Council members are a means of communication for perceived needs in the Parish, ideas, suggestions & feedback.

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>

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, 28TH NOVEMBER 2021

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah: 'In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: the Lord-our-integrity.'

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

His ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep his covenant and will. The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him; to them he reveals his covenant. **R.**

SECOND READING

1Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints. Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-28,34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.'

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

The Gospel of the Lord

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death

