



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



Plenary Council 2020
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6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
Year C
26th May 2019

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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Email: parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

Website: www.stagathas.org.au

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr Joseph Abutu

Assistant Priest: Rev. Fr Antony Rebelo IVD

Sisters of the Nativity:

Sr. Mary Olofu & Sr. Faustina Ede ☎ 5996 1985

Parish Child Safety Officers:

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Parish Secretaries: Sue Ryan & 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

Weekday Mass Times

Monday: 9.30am

Tuesday: 9.30am

Wednesday: 9.30am

Thursday: 9.30am & 7.30pm

Friday: 9.30am

Saturday: 9.30am

Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: 10.00am

Saturday: 10.00am

Mass for Vocations

Saturdays 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 10.00am - 11.00am

Saturday: 10.00am - 11.00am

First Friday of the Month: 8.30pm - 9.00am

Adoration Chapel: 24/7 Entry to the chapel is via a PIN code, obtained through the Parish Office.

Healing Mass 1st Sunday of the Month at 6.00pm

First Saturday Mass at 9.30am

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Friday Mass 7.30pm followed by a spiritual teaching and all-night Adoration

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 in the Adoration Chapel.

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

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners, I encourage all parishioners to make use of our subscription to the online program "Formed", which will give you unlimited access to study programs, audio programs, movies and eBooks suitable for both children and adults. If you have already subscribed to "formed.org" there are many new and interesting programs available now. One of them is the Symbolon program. This is an excellent resource for basic adult faith formation. It explains the Catholic faith in a very simple way to understand. It is broken down into two sections: (1) knowing the faith and (2) living the faith. The 2nd section has some very good teaching on the sacraments.

Over the coming days please take some time to go online and take a look at www.formed.org and if you aren't registered please follow the instructions on how to register that are printed opposite.

The subscription is not cheap so before the next renewal in September I hope to see an increase in the number of registrations to justify us renewing again. Making use of this wonderful resource will enliven and deepen your faith.

God bless you, Fr Joseph

WE WELCOME AS A CHILD OF GOD: Asher Wijethunge, child of Tharindu & Vithana.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gilbert & Ines Canal who are celebrating their 40th Wedding Anniversary this weekend.

PROJECT COMPASSION: *If you requested a receipt, please collect it from the table in the foyer.* Boxes and envelopes can be returned and placed in the basket on the Sanctuary or visit www.caritas.org.au to make your donation online.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION Mass of Reparation in honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will take place Saturday 1st June 2019, **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.

HEALING MASS: First Sunday of each Month, celebrated next Sunday at 6.00pm. Mass led by Fr. Antony.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES: We thank you for your financial support of St Agatha's Parish. Could those who use Stewardship Envelopes please collect them from the foyer after Mass today. This will reduce postage costs. Receipts for those giving via Direct Debit or Credit Card have been emailed out if we have your email address. We were due to run a new Stewardship Campaign at this time; however, Father Joseph and the Parish Finance Council have extended our current campaign until June 2020. Father will be updating parishioners shortly. If you would like to join the stewardship program please contact the Parish Office or pick up a pledge card from the foyer after Mass.

RCIA: For those who have become Catholic there will be a follow up meeting to develop your prayer life further, this Wednesday 5th June 7.30pm in Providence House.

RCIA MYSTAGOGIA MASS: Bishop Patrick will be celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving for those received into full communion with the Church at Easter, their sponsors, families and team members today Sunday 26th May at 2.00pm, St Mary's Cathedral Sale. Followed by afternoon tea and a time to share stories, please bring a plate.

JUNIOR RCIA: For older children (Year 6 - Year 12) who have not completed their Sacraments. Classes begin Sunday 3rd June till Easter 2020. Participants attend Mass at 9.00am followed by classes at the end of Mass in the Parish Hall. For further information contact Sr Faustina on 5996 1985.

THE TALK: A 6-week program for parents on how to speak to their children about sex education. The program will be held on Thursday evenings from 18th July to 22nd August in the Parish Hall from 7.30pm – 9.00pm. This program was run last year with some very positive results. Some comments on & feedback from evaluation sheets: *What made you decide to do this course? Kids getting to the age of puberty.* Please register for the program by contacting Maria on 0409 563 864.

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THURSDAY EVENING MASS focuses on a special intention of the week, praying for different needs within our families, parish and the wider community. This week we pray for **those who celebrated their birthday in May, come and receive a special blessing.**

PLENARY COUNCIL: 9th June Pentecost marks the launch of the next stage of preparation – Listening and Discernment.

THE CHOSEN CONFERENCE is a national conference for youth and young adults between 18 - 30 years old, organised by Jesus Youth, an International Catholic Association with a focus on evangelising young people and nurturing their missionary initiatives. We invite you to join us from the 4th - 7th July 2019 at Sacred Heart Girl's College Melbourne for 4 power-packed days of youth rallies, up-lifting talks, workshops, theatre, Eucharistic celebrations, vocation & mission expo and live music. For registrations visit www.chosenconference.org.au.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN: If you are a **VOLUNTEER** in our parish, you are required to have signed a **Parish Code of Conduct & a current Working with Children card with St. Agatha's Parish registered as a volunteer organisation.** It is very easy process online and there is no fee for registering. Please go to <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

AUSTRALIAN PASTORAL MUSICIANS NETWORK is looking forward to welcoming you to their 4th National Conference Listen to the Spirit and Sing! The Conference will be held in Melbourne this year on 1-3 October, at Catholic Leadership Centre. The Conference will celebrate and promote the art of liturgical, catechetical and religious music in parishes, schools and beyond. We are excited to welcome our two distinguished keynote speakers, Tony Alonso and Diana Macalintal as well as all our breakout presenters. Please see the brochure on the notice board in the foyer. For more info got to APMN Conference website <https://www.listen-to-the-spirit-and-sing.com/home> Register before June 30 to take advantage of generous early bird discounts.

AUSTRALIA SINGLES CONFERENCE: We invite all CFC SFL members and single Catholic men and women ages 21-39, to the conference from Friday to Sunday, 12, 13, 14 July 2019 at Don Bosco Retreat Centre. Opens 5:30pm Friday & concludes 3.00pm Sunday. Guests include Fr Denis O'Bryan and Bishop Mark Edwards. **The Theme for the Conference is: Families on Mission 'As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord' - Joshua 24:15** Register before 12th June at www.bit.ly/CFCSFL_ASC2019

YOUTH CORNER: The Theme for this year is 'Faith Formation'. Our next St Agatha's Youth gathering will be held on Saturday 8th June 10.30am to 2.00pm in the Parish Hall. We will be having a multicultural shared brunch so please make something and bring it to share. Our guests will be members of the NET Team, hope to see you all there!

If you would like to join our Parish Youth Group and meet other's in the Parish please give me a call. Contact Tavonga on 0488 683 256.

Recently Deceased

Jack Raymond
Therese Michaud
John Walkinshaw
Swarna Fernando
Anniversaries:
Fr James McGuigan
Victor Satalich
Giovanni Procida
Gino & Concetto Raffa
Claude Barbe
Lily Puspum Emmanuel
Fr James O'Neill
Fr Cornelius Cremin
Fr William Ryan
Fr Peter Kilduff
Dean Edward ColemanVG
Bishop James Corbett

Mass Times & Intentions, Recent Deaths, Anniversaries

Feasts
Saturday 6.00pm-- For the Souls in Purgatory, Gino & Concetto Raffa [Anniv] & Luigi, Lucia, Vincenzo & Sebastiana Bucello [Remb]
Sunday 7.30am-- For a special intention [Mathews Family] & Victor Satalich [Anniv]
" 9.00am-- In Thanksgiving [Estrada Family], Therese Michaud [Rec Dec]
" 10.45am-- Giovanni Procida [Anniv] Christopher & Jane Fernandes, Albert Lobo [Remb]
" 6.00pm-- For the People of the Parish

Weekday Masses
Monday 9.30am-- Claude Barbe [Anniv] St Augustine
Tuesday 9.30am-- Lily Puspum Emmanuel [Anniv]
Wednesday 9.30am-- For the Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 9.30am-- For the Souls in Purgatory
" 7.30pm-- Elizabeth Joseph [Anniv]
Friday 9.30am-- Chloe Taura [14th B'day today] The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 9.30am-- In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary & For Vocations St Justin

[Please contact the parish office to arrange a Mass you would like offered for your intentions]

Sick List: Rita Hartney, Arlette Lalouette, Giovanna Bellinvia, Stanley Jacobs, Alicia Orpia, Zinnia Noah Godden, Catherine Williams, Felix Weinman, Warren

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.

Rosters for Ministries

25-26 May 2019: Lectors:

6.00pm: Children's Choir M Cincotta, A Hughes, C D'Lima, N Carter, S Joseph, T Heldt, A Quintal
7.30am: B Vechoorettu D Krella, M Soni, L Jean Louis
9.00am: Y Shedden L Ahsio, L Lim, G Raudino, R Spierings, M Parrocho, T Dam, Y Shedden
10.45am: J Gunn Volunteer, T Nyerenyere, A Antony, R Beloso, M Robinson, T Felise, L Caballero, M Auvale
6.00pm: V Prasetyo E Abraham, C James, T Hummel, B Evans, C Joseph, S Ganesh, R Weinman

Extraordinary Ministers:

Children's Liturgy: Fiona & Bridget

Welcomers:

B Harris, E Hill
K Martini
Y Shedden, C Pocock
P & O Schreurs
L Tuffnell

Church Cleaners for the week 1st June: Divine Mercy Group

Counters: C James, P De Graaff, R D'Mello

1-2 June 2019: Lectors:

6.00pm: H Guerra K Jolley, P Hunt, M Cincotta, A Hughes, C D'Lima, N Carter, S Joseph
7.30am: R Trevisan S Jean Louis, R Crozier, D Krella
9.00am: M Parrocho M Dam, A Dam, T Marinelli, R Daly, M Nieuwesteeg, H Speelmeyer, L Dunkley
10.45am: P Schreurs R D'Mello, R D'Mello, R Alejandro, R D'Mello, P Schreurs, L & G Clark, Sr Faustina
6.00pm: Y Prasetyo T Treacy, C James, L Booth, R Lupeamanu, E Abraham, V Praseyto, L Tuffnell

Extraordinary Ministers:

Children's Liturgy: Sasha & Priya

Welcomers:

A & A Quintal
L Adikari
J & H Speelmeyer
R Afaese, M Iverach
M Maroney

Church Cleaners for the week 3rd to 8th June: S Jean Louis, D Krella, M Magkase

Counters: S Ryan, T Raffa, J Lenette

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Acts 1:1-11;

Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23;

Lk 24:46-53

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 Mary 5996 1985.

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

ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP: Every fortnight on Thursdays at 10am in the Church Meeting Room.

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: Leo 5995 6813

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Mon 10.30am in the Hall Enq: Peter 5998 1554 and Wed 7.30pm in the Hall. Enq: John 0448 343 074

PARISH CELLS COMMUNITY: For further information contact Parish Office.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hr by appointment only. Enq: Ruth 0477 800 161

INVIGORATE [Age12-17] YOUTH GROUP: Meet 2nd Saturday at 9.30am & 4th Friday at 7.30pm in the Hall. Enq: Sr Mary 5996 1985

AGAPE [Age 18-35] YOUNG ADULT GROUP: Meet 1st & 2nd Sunday 7.15pm - 9.00pm. Enquiries 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 5996 1985

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: For appointments please contact the Sale Diocese Billings Teacher Patsy Heffernan on 5622 1188

PLAYGROUP: Tuesdays 9am-11am during school terms in St. Agatha's Hall. Contact 5996 1985

FAMILY ROSARY GROUP: 3rd Friday of the Month. Enquiries: Anita 5995 5545

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PARISH APP: The parish has an APP that is available from the 'APP STORE' and the '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.

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

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors and newcomers to our Mass today. If you have recently moved into the parish or have not registered as a parishioner, we invite you to complete a new parishioner card and invite your join the stewardship program. The new parishioner cards are located on the stone pillar in the foyer next to the welcome table.

FIRST READING

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

SECOND READING

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour