



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C
8th September 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 &

Sr Victoria Orinya ☎ 5996 1985

Parish Safe Guarding Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ 5996 1985

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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, 2.00pm
& 6.00pm

Weekday Mass Times

Monday: 9.30am

Tuesday: 9.30am

Wednesday: 9.30am

Thursday: 9.30am & 7.30pm

Friday: 9.30am

Saturday: No Mass

Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: 10.00am

Saturday: No Reconciliation

Mass for Vocations

Saturdays 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 10.00am - 11.00am

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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, we welcome Fr Antony back from his holidays this weekend.

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

For the last month we have been advertising our Parish Mission which will begin next week Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th at 7.30pm – 8.30pm. Mission director, Fr. Jim Sichko will present a one-hour talk each evening on “60 minutes for Jesus”.

The purpose of a Mission is first of all to take time out of our everyday, work-a-day lives and stop to ponder the direction of our lives and where we are in relationship with Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit works powerfully in a Parish Mission offering us through a visiting priest, the possibility of prayer, openness and a listening ear and heart to what Christ is calling us to do in and with our lives.

I invite all parishioners to come attend our Parish Mission, starting Monday 16th September in the Church.

Thank you to all those who have accepted to represent our parish as delegates at the Diocesan Assembly next week, please keep them in your prayers. God bless, you Fr Joseph.

WE WELCOME AS A CHILD GOD: Aryssia Antonio, child of Giovanni & Jessica.

PLEASE NOTE: Reconciliation and Mass will not be celebrated at 9.30am this Saturday 14th September, as the Priests will be attending the Diocesan Assembly in Warragul.

YOUTH SAUSAGE SIZZLE will be hosted on Sunday 15th September after 9.00am & 10.45am Masses to support the Youth in Preparation for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Perth.

PARISH MISSION WITH FR JIM SICHKO: Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th Sept: Fr Jim is a full-time preacher, Evangelist and Motivational speaker from The Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky USA. In 2016, Pope Francis commissioned him as one of his Papal Missionaries of Mercy. He invites us all to have “60 Minutes for Jesus”. **Each evening at 7.30pm** he will present a talk with storytelling, praise and laughter. He will take every day experiences that we come into contact with, find Jesus in the midst of those experiences and weave them in and out of the lives of the Gospel. He will teach people about Jesus in a very energetic and faith-filled way using Scripture and song.” The mission will be ‘family orientated’.

VOCATIONS DAY- WHERE IS GOD CALLING YOU? Come and See, where God may be calling you to serve! You may be drawn to ministries available in your parish or a vocation of service as a catechist, missionary, priest or religious. Be inspired by this day of guest speakers, including Fr Michael Willemsen, Fr Robin Koning SJ & Sr Rachel McLoughlin ibvm to be held at **St Agatha’s Primary School Hall on Saturday 21st September**, beginning with Mass in the Church at 9.30am. Sausage Sizzle and Refreshments will be available by donation and the day will conclude at 4pm. For bookings go to <https://www.trybooking.com/BECJR> or contact 5996 1985.

BRIGADIERS OF LOURDES invite all parishioners to join us for the Nation-Wide Rosary on 12th October 2019 at 10.30am after Mass on the Presbytery lawn, Sladen Street. Followed by morning tea in the Church foyer. For more info contact Lorraine on 5996 8771.

ST AGATHA’S PARISH FAMILY SOCIAL NIGHT: 8th November at 7.00pm, more information to follow in next week’s bulletin.

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY THEMES: What would a parish living the joy of the gospel look like? **Parishioners are invited to share your thoughts with us!** Faith formation and Spirituality, Leadership & Governance, Families and Vocation, Liturgy & Prayer, The Welcoming Community. Small question sheets are available from the table in the foyer, please complete and place in the box provided in the Church foyer. You may also send your own submission online <https://www.cdsale.org.au/news/>

CHILD SAFETY CORNER: Catholic Care is conducting training sessions on our obligations as volunteers in the parish. You are kindly reminded that Bishop Patrick as well as our parish priest Fr Joseph require you to attend one of these sessions that are being conducted throughout the diocese. The next training session will be held at St Mary’s Parish, Cowes, today Sunday 8th September 1.30pm – 4.00pm.

FATHER’S DAY APPEAL THANK YOU for your generous contributions to the Priests’ Welfare Foundation of \$ 3447.40.

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ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING SESSION: A training session will be held for new Altar servers and newly joined on Friday 20th September, 4.00pm to 5.30pm in the Church. Contact the parish office to register your child’s interest on 5996 1985.

PLENARY 2020 TRAINING SESSIONS: After the Diocesan Assembly has ended, our Diocese will enter the next phase of our journey to the Plenary Council 2020. The Listening & Discernment stage 2019-2020 commences with training and formation for all Animators, clergy, parish, school & agency Plenary teams and for any interested person. All Animators are expected to attend training. It is highly desirable that Parish Plenary Teams, pastoral councils and school leadership teams participate. 2-hour session, including formation about the 6 National Themes for Discernment, modelling a Listening & Discernment session with participants. Participants will be receiving Plenary 2020 resource packs. Regional Training Dates **Tuesday 24th September 7.30pm to 9.30pm St Michael’s Parish Berwick**, Tuesday 15th October 7.30pm to 9.30pm Marian Room, St Joseph’s Parish, Warragul. For more info see flyer on notice board or contact Mrs Sophy Morley on 5622 667 or 0413 590 007 email smorley@sale.catholic.org.au

PALMS AUSTRALIA GLOBAL VOLUNTEERING: Encounter Myanmar: Still two places left on an enlightening journey with the Executive Director of Palms Australia. Travelling November 16-29. Enquire via email palms@palms.org.au or call 02 9560 5333.

EMERGENCY FLOOD RELIEF: Heavy monsoon rains have caused extensive damage in several countries across Asia. Urgent assistance for emergency relief would be appreciated! Donations, which are tax deductible, may be sent to Salesian Missions Australia PO Box 264, Ascot Vale Vic 3032. Tel 9377 6014 or via the website www.salesianmissionsaustralia.org.au

SPONSORSHIP NEEDED: 15 members of our Parish Youth Group will be attending the Catholic Youth Festival in Perth in December. The cost to attend is approximately \$1300 per person which covers flights, accommodation, registration and meals. We are working hard as a group to raise funds through our sausage sizzles and other ventures; however, we appeal to parishioners for your financial support. If you would like to sponsor a youth member or make a donation it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Father or Sr Mary or contact the Parish Office. We thank you for your support of our sausage sizzle fundraiser last weekend, we raised \$1,100.

YOUTH CORNER: All new and old youth members are to attend the Youth Mass at 10.45am next week. The Youth inauguration for new members will follow straight after Mass in the Parish Hall, with the National Evangelisation Team of Melbourne. Lunch will be provided.

Have you just turned 18? Are you in the Youth Group? Are you involved in a Parish Ministry? If you have answered yes to any of these questions, you are required to apply for a Working with Children Card and sign a Parish Code of Conduct. The WWC card is free for volunteers you can apply online and register as a volunteer for St. Agatha’s Catholic Church, Cranbourne. If you require assistance or for more information please contact the Parish Office.

ARE YOU IN YEAR 7 –YEAR 12? Would you like to join our Junior Invigorate Youth Group for ages 12-14 or our Senior Invigorate Youth Group for ages 15-17? Inauguration of new youth members will take place on Sunday 15th September after the 10.45am Mass in the Parish Hall. For more information please contact Sr Mary on 5996 1985.

Recently Deceased

Fr David Tatanko [In Nigeria]
Jesumary [In India]
Agata Zappia
Victoriano Bohol Junior
Teresa Jaime
Elmer Fanega

Anniversaries:

Joan Clancy
Matthew McEvoy
Merlyn Thomas
Fred Doggette 1st
Claus Aland
Paciencia Malunes

Mass Times & Intentions, Recent Deaths, Anniversaries

Saturday 6.00pm-- Gino Raffa [B'day Remb] & For the People of the Parish
Sunday 7.30am-- Matthew McEvoy [Anniv] & Meryln Thomas [Anniv]
" 9.00am-- Thanksgiving Maggie & Mario, For the Intentions of Maria Eva on her birthday,
for Victoriano Bohol Junior [Rec Dec] & Agata Zappia [Rec Dec]
" 10.45am-- Orazio Molino [Remb] & Ed Ainsworth [Birthday]
" 2.00pm-- For the Souls in Purgatory
" 6.00pm-- Anne Rose Soni [on her 4th Birthday] & Fred Doggette [1st Anniv]

Weekday Masses

Monday 9.30am-- For Adiel [B'day today] & Claus Aland [Anniv] St Peter Claver
Tuesday 9.30am-- Thanksgiving, Private Intention & Paciencia Malunes [6th Anniv]
Wednesday 9.30am-- In Thanksgiving to Infant Jesus for Luca Campisi [3rd B'day]
& John Maher [B'day Remb]
Thursday 9.30am-- Sebastian Abraham [B'day] The Most Holy Name of Jesus
& Mr & Mrs George [40th Wedding Anniv]
" 7.30pm-- Thanksgiving for Sr Hazel D'Lima [60th Anniv of Religious Life]
Friday 9.30am-- For the Holy Souls in Purgatory & For the Soul of Elmer Fanega St John Chrysostom
Saturday No Mass The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

Feasts

Sick List: Arlette Lalouette, Giovanna Bellinvia, Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Felix Weinman, Warren, David Fernando, Lorenzo Gabriel, Leo Domantay, Ignazia Carcangio, Eugene D'Cruz, Glen Lippert, Yolanda Shedden

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

7-8 September 2019: Lectors:

6.00pm: D Hughes P Hunt, M Cincotta, A Hughes, C D'Lima, N Carter, T Heldt, K Jolley

7.30am: T Vechooretu D Krella, M Soni, L Adikari

9.00am: A Malia Ulu G Raudino, A Dam, Volunteer, T Marinelli, R Daly, M Nieuwesteeg, H Speelmeyer

10.45am: A Ortencio A Antony, R Beloso, M Robinson, T Felise, Volunteer, M Auvale, R Alejandro, L Lucas

6.00pm: A Ah Sui B Evans, C Joseph, S Ganesh, R Weinman, T Treacy, J Connel, C James

Church Cleaners for the week 9th to 14th Sept: N Manuel, J Morel, A Hughes

Counters: L Besterwitch, W Barber, T Saldanha

Extraordinary Ministers:

Children's Liturgy: S Lucas, F Dickie

Welcomers:

T Jolley, R Estrada

L Adikari

G Nelson, Y Shedden

D Deri, R Afaese

M Maroney

14-15 September 2019: Lectors:

6.00pm: T Heldt R Weinman, L Lim, T de Pradines, K Jolley, R Trevisan, P Hunt, volunteer

7.30am: M Lutu A Qunital, L Jean Louis, D Krella

9.00am: M Parrocho J Seeborun, D Barker, F Guimmarra, G Spierings, G Nelson, S Borsodi, P Joseph

10.45am: Youth Member R D'Mello, R D'Mello, P Schreurs, R Holsinger, L & C Tyminski, T Lupeamanu, volunteer

6.00pm: V Prasetyo L Booth, R Lupeamanu, E Abraham, Y Prasetyo, volunteer, A Antony, T Hummel

Church Cleaners for the week 16th to 21st Sept: A Antony, R Holdenbottle, T Daly, R Bernard

Counters: P & R Afaese, G Caballero

Extraordinary Ministers:

Children's Liturgy: A Mastroianni, C Poliquit

Welcomers:

B Harris, E Hill

K Martini

C Pockock, J Balmer

M Iverach

Volunteer

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Ex 32:7-11,13-14;

1 Tim 1:12-17;

Lk 15:1-32

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: Leo 5995 6813

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Mon 10.30am in the Hall Enq: Jacinta 0426 973 026 & Wed 7.30pm in Providence House. Enq: John 0448 343 074

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

INVIGORATE [Age 12-17] 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.

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FIRST READING

Wisdom 9:13-18

What man indeed can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

SECOND READING

Philemon 9:10.12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the

chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour... ..