



# St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year A  
16<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## 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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**Website:** [www.stagathas.org.au](http://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](mailto:cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au)

**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:** 9.00am

### 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** 1<sup>st</sup> 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month 9.30am

**Holy Hour for the Unborn** - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month  
7.30pm-8.30pm in the Adoration Chapel.

### Baptisms

Sundays at 12.30pm by appointment. Baptism Information Session held on 1<sup>st</sup> 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

**Dear Parishioners**, we raised \$7850.45 from the bush fire appeal and have transferred it to those assisting them, once again we thank you for your wonderful generosity. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February CatholicCare will be conducting a training session for all parish volunteers at 10.00am in the Church. **It is compulsory to attend a training, if you have not previously attended.** Please register online or place your name on the clipboard. If you are unable to attend this session at St Agatha's please check the bulletin for training dates in nearby parishes.

Due to the large number of children attending RE classes on Wednesday after school, we are in need of volunteers especially retired primary school teachers. God bless you, Fr Joseph.

**WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN OF GOD:** Koa Boag-Hahn & Jax boag-Galbraith, children of Brooke, Jacob Clark, child of George & Julie, Aston & Jameson Kirkwood, children of Shanon & Ann-Marie, Robin Cuevas, child of Rey & Desserie.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION:** Children preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be making their commitment along with their parents at all Masses this weekend.

**PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOP:** 4<sup>th</sup> March at 5.00pm & 7.00pm and 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Will be taken up at all Masses this weekend for Fr Antony's farewell gift.

**FAREWELL CARD:** Parishioners are invited to sign Fr Antony's card in the table on the foyer of the Church.

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:** Meet this Thursday at 7.30pm at the Parish Office.

**ST. AGATHA'S PARISH FEAST DAY:** The Feast Day of our Patron, St Agatha will be celebrated on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February during the 10.45am Mass, followed by a procession of the St Agatha' statue from the Church to the school hall. We will officially thank and farewell Fr Antony for his time at St Agatha's. A lunch will be held to celebrate the Cultural groups that make up our Parish Community. We encourage parishioners to bring a food from their country to share at the celebration.

**Parishioners are invited to print a copy of your national flag on an A4 size page, with your name and country on the back. If you have a national flag please bring it to the 10.45am Mass for the procession into the Church on the 23rd.** Please write your details and food that you will be bringing on the clipboard in the foyer. We invite children to come dressed in white or their First Communion outfits so that they can join in leading the procession to the Hall. **Plastic cups and plates may be single-use, but that does not mean it is easily disposable for our environment. This year we urge everyone to bring their own reusable cup and plate for the feast day luncheon.**

**ECUMENICAL LENTEN CONVERSATION:** Bishop Patrick invites Parishioners to join in a Lenten Conversation at The Abbey, Raymond Island on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020 from 10.00am till 3.30pm. Cost \$20 per person for catering, to RSVP contact The Abbey on 5156 6580 or [info@theabbey.org.au](mailto:info@theabbey.org.au) For details see notice board in the foyer.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** We are looking for volunteers to join Children's Liturgy during the Sunday 10.45am Mass as catechists. The role of the catechist is to help children to understand the Sunday Gospel and thus to learn about God and Jesus. We do this by reading and discussing the Gospel through prayers and activities. Materials will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Sr Victoria on 5996 1985.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:** A guest speaker has been invited to come and speak to all Extraordinary ministers and those interested in taking communion to the sick on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020 10.30am till 12.30pm in the parish hall.

**SACRAMENTS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN:** If you have a special needs child/adult who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and or First Communion? Bishop Patrick will be coming to St Agatha's early this year for this ceremony. Please contact the parish office to register your details on 5996 1985.

**PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY:** Parishioners can start returning their blessed palms/ greenery from last year's Palm Sunday, so they can be burnt and will be used for Ash Wednesday.

**THURSDAY EVENING MASS** focuses on a special intention of the week, praying for different needs within our families, parish and the wider community. Intentions of the month of February: **16<sup>th</sup> For Couples praying to have a child, & 23<sup>rd</sup> For those born in February.**

**CAR RAFFLE:** 3 new Suzuki Baleno cars to be won & 11 Coles/Myer gift cards on offer in this amazing raffle. Tickets on sale at the Parish Feast Day & after all weekend Masses. Tickets \$2.00 each or \$20 a book. Vic permit 10722/19. Drawn on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

**MENALIVE WEEKEND:** March 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at St Thomas Apostle, Clyde.

**SVDP** is seeking a Secretary for its Conference. The person would need to be proficient in use of Microsoft Office, be able to take minutes and do some correspondence. Orientation would be provided. If you can help us please phone Mary on 5996 1758.

**RCIA RITE OF ELECTION:** An invitation is extended to all parishioners to the Rite of Election celebrated by Bishop Pat O'Regan on Sunday 1st March at 3.00 pm in St. Mary's Cathedral, Sale. 1.30 pm Bishop Pat warmly invites catechumens, candidates and their families, sponsors and RCIA teams to meet him at the Chapter House before the Rite of Election at 3.00 pm. Followed by afternoon tea. Please bring some food to share. **Parish Singers & Musicians Wanted:** We will be forming a Diocesan Choir to lead the singing for this beautiful ceremony. Most of the music will be familiar to parishes. Interested singers are asked to register their interest by contacting Sophy Morley at the Diocesan Pastoral Office 03 5622 6677 (leave a message) or email [smorley@sale.catholic.org.au](mailto:smorley@sale.catholic.org.au) Music packs will be emailed out to you or given to you on the day.

**CHILD SAFETY CORNER:** A training session for St Agatha's parish will be conducted on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 at 10am till 12.30pm in the Church.** All volunteers must have attended one session. Register online at: <http://www.ccam.org.au/events/category/30/child-safe-training>. **If you are unable to attend this session attend at:** OLHC Narre Warren Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 7pm-9.30pm, St Michael's Berwick Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2.00pm-4.30pm and St Patrick's Pakenham Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 10am-12.30pm.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at St John's Anglican Church Cranbourne. Zimbabwe theme, if you would like to join the planning committee please contact Diane on 0409 435 769.

**POSITION VACANT:** Our Lady Help of Christians is seeking to employ a new Parish Business Manager. Part time position, 15 hours to be worked across four days per week. Contact the OLHC parish office for a position description. Applications close Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

**THE GOSPELS OF HOLY WEEK AND EASTER RETREAT:** **16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> March**, Fr Frank Moloney SDB will lead this retreat on the Gospels of Holy Week and Easter at the beautiful and peaceful Don Bosco Retreat Centre. Cost \$430 all inclusive (retreat, meals, accommodation, etc). Further info and registration: Contact - Candy 9752 2432 or **e-mail:** [dbrclysterfield@gmail.com](mailto:dbrclysterfield@gmail.com)

**AUTISM SPECTRUM:** Daniel Giles O.A.M. and his father Daryl Giles will be presenting "From Diagnosis to O.A.M. A Personal Autism Journey" in Rosebud, Seaford and Pakenham. For educators, carers parents and family members. Rosebud Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March @ 7pm [www.trybooking.com/BICEM](http://www.trybooking.com/BICEM) Seaford Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March @ 1:00 pm & 7pm [www.trybooking.com/BICEQ](http://www.trybooking.com/BICEQ) Pakenham Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March @ 1:00pm [www.trybooking.com/BICET](http://www.trybooking.com/BICET)

**YOUTH CORNER:** Meet today Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb after 10.45am Mass an afternoon of fun, games, food & activities. If you would like to join our Parish Youth Group please contact Sr. Mary on 5996 1985 or Tavonga on 0488 683 256. All Welcome! The first L.A.M.P youth event for this year will be held at OLHC Parish, Narre Warren on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb from 9.00am to 3.00pm. Register online at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdteWigSfdFIFjwB/r56SgP9QktK8MwUqHHLnohsjuoKx-kDw/viewform>