

# St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025

# 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 Prabhu Antony

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 & Admin

Assistant: Ms Michelle Murray

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Email: cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au

St Agatha's Primary School

3 Scott Street, Cranbourne

**2**5996 2724

**Principal:** Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

St Therese's Primary School

131 Endeavour Drive Cranbourne North

**2** 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 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

# Weekday Mass Times - In the Church & Livestreamed

Monday: 9.30am Tuesday: 9.30am

**Wednesday:** 9.30am & 12noon St Therese's School **Thursday:** 9.30am & 2.30pm Regis Aged Care

**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: Closed, Tuesday to Saturday: 6am to 10pm. Entry via FOB, obtained via the parish office

**Healing Mass:** First Thursday of the Month 7.15pm begins with Rosary at 6.30pm followed by Adoration & Healing Prayers

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

Holy Hour for the Unborn — 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month after 9.30am

Mass

#### **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 Church. [Information Session Bookings may be made through the parish website or by visiting the parish office]

#### **Marriages**

6 months' notice requested.

#### **PARISH NEWS**

**Dear Parishioners,** I am pleased to announce Adam Dam as our new Assistant Parish Secretary and welcome Michelle Murray as Safeguarding and Admin Assistant.

We thank John Kelly for generously volunteering his time and talents as Safeguarding officer for St Agatha's. We will thank John officially at 9.00am Mass on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

Fr. Anton

WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN OF GOD: Emelia & Emily Walsh, children of Ashley & Paulina and Spencer Doherty, child of Liam & Rebecca.

CHURCH POWERPOINT OPERATORS: Would you be interested volunteering to operate the PowerPoint slides at Masses? Training will be provided, please contact the parish office.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES: We thank you for your financial support of St Agatha's Parish. Parishioners in the Stewardship program are reminded to collect their new envelopes and statement from the Church foyer, names are filed in Alphabetical order. Those giving by Credit Card or Direct Debit a statement and letter will be emailed this week. If you have any queries or wish to make any changes, please contact Tina or Adam in the Parish Office on 5996 1985.

**FEAST OF ST CECILIA** is the patron saint of Choirs. Choir members are invited to Mass on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 9.30am followed by cuppa, please bring a plate to share.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS:** St Agatha's Parish Christmas Carols, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December 7.00pm to 9.30pm as St Agatha's School Hall. Mass will be celebrated at 5.30pm. *Volunteers needed as ushers, car park attendants, set up chairs.* 

**FAREWELL TO FR DENIS O'BRYAN:** St Thomas the Apostle Parish warmly invites the parishioners of St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne, to join us in bidding farewell to Fr Denis O'Bryan, who will be departing Clyde North Parish in 2026. Fr Denis, together with the St Agatha's community, has played a vital role in the founding of our parish and Fr Denis has continued to foster strong ties with many Cranbourne parishioners over the years.

We welcome parishioners to attend a Farewell Lunch in honour of Fr Denis on Sunday, 23rd November 2025 at 12:30pm, held at St Thomas the Apostle Parish, Clyde

**North**. If you would like to bring a plate to share please indicate so, by completing the following.

link: https://forms.office.com/r/sGsmS6yAUv?origin=lprLink

We also invite you to share any special memories, messages, and photos. These will be compiled into a heartfelt keepsake book — a gift from us all, to thank him and remind him of the



**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES** will be available for collection during the week. If you wish to change to Direct Debit or Credit Card. Please contact the Parish Office.

**Parishioner** with **PG Envelope** <u>537 & 389</u> please contact the parish office, thank you.

ST VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL: Our Conference will again be distributing Christmas presents to those most in need within the Cranbourne area. We ask for your generous donation of toys for children 0-14 years of age. Please bring unwrapped toys and place them in the baskets on the Sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity.

ECUMENICAL ADVENT CONVERSATION: Friday 28th November.

**ECUMENICAL ADVENT CONVERSATION:** Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November. 9.30am for a10.00am start- 3.30pm. St Marys Cathedral, Sale. The Anglican and Catholic Bishops of Gippsland warmly invite you to join the eighth annual Advent Conversation-an ecumenical gathering of clergy and laity form both traditions. Cost \$30 which included morning tea and lunch. Bookings essential for catering: <a href="www.trybooking.com/CXGYW">www.trybooking.com/CXGYW</a> or contact The Abbey: (03) 5156 6580 / <a href="info@theabbey.org.au">info@theabbey.org.au</a>

JOIN DIVINE KIDS FOR SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES: Ages 5-12, St Agatha's Parish Hall 10.00am to 10.45am. During school terms. Free: 40 minutes of activities, games, prayer and a session focused on the Gospel. For more information contact the parish office on 5996 1985 or <a href="mailto:divinekidsministry@gmail.com">divinekidsministry@gmail.com</a>

DIVINE KIDS ADVENT RETREAT FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS (Ages 5–15): Sunday 30th November 2025, 9.00am to 3.30pm, Holy Family Church, 100 Power Road, Doveton. An opportunity for children and teenagers to come together to reflect, connect, and prepare the way for Jesus during the Advent season. Program filled with fun activities, games, object lessons, meaningful discussions, and moments of prayer and reflection. Enrolments are now open! Parents who wish to enrol their children can visit our website: <a href="https://www.divinekids.com.au">www.divinekids.com.au</a>

**VOICE FOR LIFE:** Mass of the Angels will be celebrated on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 7.00pm.

"THE MELBOURNE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE team would like to thank everyone who supported the 2025 campaign in any way. Along with the vigil attendees, many prayed from home and others donated generously: we were able to pass on contributions of \$5000 to Pregnancy Assistance

Franklin and \$800 to the Helpers of God's Precious Infants. Our next campaign will begin in September 2026. May God reward you for your efforts!"

**BABIES FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES:** We are in need of babies and their parents to help dress up as the Holy Family during the gospel at our Christmas Masses. Please contact Sr Victoria on 5996 1985.

**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.

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.

THE LEGION OF MARY'S ROSARY CRUSADE is a global spiritual initiative

encouraging Catholics to pray the Rosary daily for peace, conversion, and the triumph of Mary's Immaculate Heart. All St. Agatha's parishioners are welcome to participate in the Rosary Crusade, where parishioners host



Our Lady's statue for a week. They pray the Crusade prayers daily, offering intercession for peace and conversion and personal intentions. After the week, the statue is returned at the 9:30 AM Saturday Mass, continuing the cycle of devotion. Book here: Rosary Crusade Booking Page or via QR Code

JUBILEE OF HOPE: Jubilee of Outreach to the Poor: You are warmly invited to join St Mary's Yarram to celebrate the Jubilee of Hope: Outreach to the Poor. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet. Following Mass, there will be lunch and displays from various outreach organisations from our community and throughout the Gippsland diocese. Saturday, 29th November 2025 at 11:00 am. St Mary's Church, 102 Commercial Road, Yarram. Donations of non-perishable goods are greatly appreciated and can be delivered to the Yarram parish office between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm on Thursdays and Fridays. All funds raised on the day will be taken up in support of outreach to the poor. For more information, please contact at 03 5182 5028.

**CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE** 2026 Enrolments are open Study scripture, theology, pastoral ministry and spirituality. For more information: view our 2026 Prospectus or contact: <a href="mailto:registrar@ctc.edu.au">registrar@ctc.edu.au</a>

AUSTRALIAN NATIVITY SCENE (ANS) AT ST ELIZABETH'S PARISH: Monday, 1 December 2025 to Friday, 9 January 2026. St Elizabeth's Parish,



107 Baker Rd, Dandenong North. In its 22nd year on display at St. Elizabeth's Parish, the Australian Nativity Scene (ANS) has grown bigger and better each year and is regarded as Australia's best traditional nativity scene. The display is open to all age group and is FREE. Children are to be accompanied by an

adult/guardian/parents. Display is closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Viewing After mass times, and any other time by APPOINTMENTS ONLY. For APPOINTMENTS contact Wilson on 0428 927 110 or 9795 6217 (parish office). <a href="http://www.australiannativityscene.org">http://www.australiannativityscene.org</a>

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Red November: Pray for persecuted Christians Aid to the Church in Need invites all Catholics to remember, pray for and support persecuted Christians throughout Red November. Please pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria, Sudan and

the Middle East, where Christians are facing grave danger right now. Watch the official video and download your Red Rosary prayer card by scanning the QR code or visiting www.rednovember.org

DISCOVER PALMS INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERING online in these two special sessions where you'll hear how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities in our Southeast Asian region.

- 1. Explore our GAP YEAR opportunities for (18-25yo) Year 12 graduates and university students, that could shape your future. Thursday 4 December 2025 Time: 6pm or 9pm AEDT
- Join our TIMOR-LESTE ENCOUNTER Information session for those who would like a short taste and tour of Palms placements to Timor-Leste from 14-27 May 2026. Monday 8 December 2025 Time: 7.30pm-8.30pm AEDT ONLINE-Scan the QR code or register at

www.palms.org.au/events 02 9560 5333 palms@palms.org.au

ST PATRICKS ACYF YOUTH FUNDRAISER: Back to the 80's Party to support our Youth. Come dressed in your favourite 80's costume, to dance laugh, celebrate and support their Youth. Live Band, Demolition. Saturday 29th November 7.00pm St Patrick's School, Hall, Pakenham. Entry Adults \$25, 5 to 10: \$15, Under 5 free. Food for sale. For information visit stpatrickspakenham.com.au/back-to-80s phone 5941 7315 or scan the QR code on the poster.

SAFEGUARDING: All parish volunteers are reminded that you are required to comply with the diocesan and parish policy. Please check the current status of your WWC, if your card has expired you cannot participate in any voluntary capacity. Until your card has been renewed. If you require any clarification, please contact John Kelly on 5996 1985. The parish secretaries are more than happy to assist you to renew your card or help you access the online training at the parish office.

<u>SAFEGUARDING:</u> 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 John Kelly contact the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985 or email <a href="mailto:cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au">Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au</a>

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: Betha Pinto, Saby Martin in India

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Frank Domantay, Fr Eneliko Auvaá, Onolina Faaeteele, Thyag & Irene Paldano, Family & Friends of Joan Angello, Thengapurakkel, Family, Maira Vasquez, Maria Zappia, Jeremy Soyza, Genevieve Holmes, Puliyanath Family, Horace & Maureen Johnstone, Kartheyedathu Family, Norma Lazaro, Jacob Stephen, Linus Johson, Shane Fernandez, David D'Cruz 1st, Tonel Bevera, Xavier Rebelo, Josephine Demello, Felicia Cresswell, Camilla Allen, Reginald Besterwitch, Maude Pereira, Sylvester Wheeler, V M Mathew, Gino Raffa, Vincenzo & Sebastian Bucello, Fr Edward O'Malley, Bishop Jeremiah Coffey, Fr Tim McInnes

Those who are sick: Alwyn Magee, Richard Nathan, Carmel Hall, Margaret Beadle, Theresa Nathan, Pauline Khan, Mona & Hazlett Drewitt, Margaret Sookram, Stanley Jacobs, Veronica Iudice, Isa'ako Elise, Maureen Fitzgerald, Ainsley Clarke, Mary Joan Williams, Carol Adikari, Gerrian Hillary Williams, Aiden Niggly, Denzil Moreira, Maria Nathan, Auxillia Johnson, Jacinta O'Neal, Gerard MacFarlaine, Kim Suarez, Edsel Spink, Mario Ragoobur, Paul Lemalu, Geraldine Harris, Edna Salt, Antonio, Josephine & Robert Calvi

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 - Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Sam 5:1-3

Col 1:12-20

Luke 23:35-43

#### 15th & 16th November **Extraordinary Ministers** Sat Vigil 6.00pm M Parrocho, R Clarke, K Parrocho, C D'Lima T Ramirez 7.30am R Beloso P & L Joseph, L Jean Louis Y Prasetyo, T Dam, M & A Dam, S Spaull, E H Guerra Mandividza, C Gostimir A Hughes, J Raudino, A Fosio, M Thomas, C Noronha, I Youth Guerra Lemalu, R D'Mello C Joseph, J Connell T Marris Ancaias **CHURCH COUNTERS** L Clarke, T Raffa, B Duyvestyn

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

"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

22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Children's Choir	A Hughes, R Trevisan, L Lim, R Sutherland
7.30am	H De Costa	M Vechoorettu, M & D Lutu
9.00am	J Gunn	P & L Joseph, R Papiernik, K Auvale, C Noronha, S Almeida, Volunteer
10.45am	M Thomas	C Tyminski, T Nyerenyere, S Lucas, N Atulia, L Caballero, M Gambin, T Lupeamanu
6.00pm	A Kumarasin	E Clinch, J MacDonald
CHURCH COUNTERS		C & M De Lima, L & P Joseph

#### ST. AGATHA'S YOUTH GROUPS:

Invigorate Youth -

ALPHA Session run for all ages! ALPHA is a place where young people can learn more about their Christian faith, amongst their peers!

ACYF Melbourne (Grade 9 - Age 25) - Sunday 30th Nov -Tuesday 2nd December

All STAY activities are for ages 12 - 25 unless specified otherwise!

Follow us on Instagram! @stagathasyouthcranbourne

#### **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 Victoria 5996 1985

MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN: Mon 7:30pm Parish Hall 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. Eng: Anetelea Fosio 0403 429 509

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Eng: Ruth 0494 047 927 or Divine 0427 706 498

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. Eng: 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. Eng: 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; 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 the Parish Office: 5996 1985

LEGION OF MARY: Enquiries: Pracena Joseph 0434 017 846 or Joseph Pasala 0466 803 491

https://www.facebook.com/StAgathasCP STAY 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

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. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne">https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne</a>

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

# 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 16TH NOVEMBER 2025

#### FIRST READING

Malachi 3: 19-20

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

The word of the Lord.

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM

# R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. *R.* 

Let the sea and all within it thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. **R.** 

For the Lord comes, comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. *R.* 

# **SECOND READING**

Thessalonians 3: 7-12

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

The word of the Lord.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

# **GOSPEL**

Luke 21: 5-19

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All these things you are staring at now - the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another; everything will be destroyed." And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said 'when will this happen then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?' 'Take care not to be deceived,' he said 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name - and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

# **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

When we eat this Bread ... ...

We extend a warm welcome to any new parishioners or visitors who are here with us today. If you are new to the parish please fill in a card available in a box in the foyer on the pillar, scan the QR code or register via our website. So that you can be welcomed personally to the parish and be registered as a parishioner.