



# St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



**Plenary Council 2020**  
*'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...'* 2022

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE  
Year C  
24<sup>th</sup> November 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](mailto:parishoffice@stagathas.org.au)

**Website:** [www.stagathas.org.au](http://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

Sr. Julie Ogbole [St Thomas the Apostle Parish]

## Parish Safe Guarding Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin

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**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 & 7.30pm

**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** 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,** Sr Julie arrived this week, we welcome her to Australia. Sr Julie will live in the convent with the sisters and will be working as Pastoral Associate at St Thomas the Apostle Parish.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the Altar Servers pizza night a happy celebration.

God bless, Fr Joseph

**WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN GOD:** Ezra Faiane, child of Gideon & Catherine, Leander Barnard, child of Neil & Anavic, Mia Masson, child of Denis & Courtney.

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:** Meeting this Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

**MASS OF THE ANGELS:** For those who have lost a child in infancy, stillbirth or miscarriage. The Mass will be celebrated on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Will be taken up next weekend to help raise funds for the Youth who will be attending the ACYF in Perth.

**SHOEBOXES:** Thanks to all parishioners who promoted the shoebox project this year to enable our parish reach out in charity to less privileged children in other countries. We delivered 437 shoeboxes out of the 800 boxes that the parish purchased (50cents per box) and gave out. 39 boxes have been returned since then making a total of 476 boxes

324 have not been returned. The deadline for submission is 30<sup>th</sup> October since all the boxes leave Australia in November.

The Samaritan Purse has given us one more week to ensure that all our boxes are returned to their office. We urge you to please submit all shoeboxes unconditionally this week to the Church or Parish Office to enable us deliver them latest this Thursday morning. Contact: Sr Mary 59961985

**BAPTISM PREPARATION HELPERS:** Parishioners who are interested in helping run our Baptism Preparation sessions every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at 3.30pm should please call the parish office on 5996 1985.

**LIVE STREAMING MASSES:** the parish will be live streaming 9.00am Mass on Sunday and weekday Masses, for those parishioners who are home bound and are unable to attend Mass. This will begin on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December. **As a result, this will require permission from the parents of the all Altar Servers.** A new consent form has been emailed to parents and copies are available from the foyer to collect and return to the parish office. Please make note to complete the question on page 2 regarding consent for media purposes.

**HEALING MASS:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month, Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6pm Mass led by Fr. Antony.

**PRAYER CARDS:** Please collect a prayer card from the table in the foyer and pray for the adult and junior RCIA Catechumens and Candidates are preparing to be received into the Catholic Church and receiving the sacraments at Easter.

**LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ROSTERS** have been emailed. Hard copies are available in the Church foyer. If you did not find your name on the roster, it is because we do not have either a current Working with Children or a signed Code of Conduct. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the parish office, we are here to help you.

**ADVENT WREATH MAKING:** If you would like to make your own Advent Wreath a session will be held this Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November after 9.30am Mass. Cost \$6. Please bring your own plates to place wreath on. Candles and other items will be provided. To register please contact Anita on 0450 782 558 or the parish office on 5996 1985.

**YOUTH SAUSAGE SIZZLE** will be hosted this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November after 9.00am & 10.45am Masses to support the Youth in Preparation for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Perth and the Youth Choirs trip to the Cathedral in Sale. We thank you for your generous support.

**CARPARK USHERS:** Due to the large numbers attending Masses at Christmas we are in need of carpark ushers, especially at the 7.00pm, 9.00pm and midnight Mass. If you are able to help please place your name and number on the clipboard in the foyer.

**DEDICATED SINGERS:** If you would like to join the Worship Voices Choir to sing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 6.00pm. Please contact the parish office on 5996 1985.



**THURSDAY EVENING MASS:** focuses on a special intention of the week, praying for different needs within our families, parish and the wider community. Intentions for the month of November: 28<sup>th</sup> For those who celebrated their birthday in November.

**DURING NOVEMBER** we especially remember our dearly departed friends and families. In remembrance, parishioners are invited to write the names of their deceased loved ones on the cardboard provided and place them on the cross near the statue of Our Lady.

**NOVEMBER OFFERING ENVELOPES:** Parishioners wishing to offer Masses for their family and friends can fill in the November Offering envelope, which you will have in your Stewardship Envelopes pack or you may collect from the foyer table. Envelopes can be placed on the Presbytery collection plate over the next couple of weeks. These Masses will be offered over the next 12 months.

**SIMBANG GABI:** Masses will be celebrated at 5.00am from 16<sup>th</sup> December until 24<sup>th</sup> December followed by breakfast in the parish hall. Simbang Gabi is a devotional nine-day series of Masses practiced by Filipino Catholics leading to Christmas Eve.



**CHILD SAFETY CORNER:** Bishop Patrick O'Regan has engaged CatholicCare to conduct a series of training sessions for the clergy, parish employees and **ALL volunteers** across the Diocese of Sale. Bishop Patrick O'Regan states: "Attendance at these sessions will ensure that all clergy, parish employees and volunteers grow in understanding of legislation and the practical implications underpinning child and vulnerable adult safety within organisations and institutions. .... It is my expectation that by April 2020 ..... all clergy, parish employees and volunteers will have attended a training session." A training session for St Agatha's parish will be conducted on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 202 at 10.00am.** All employees, parish council members and volunteers are requested to register your participation online at: <http://www.ccam.org.au/events/category/30/child-safe-training> The training session is expected to take about 2½ hours. There will be no charge as it is sponsored by the Diocese of Sale. It includes a training booklet, tea and coffee.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** We would like to invite parishioners to donate a toy for a child aged between 2-14years. These gifts do not need to be wrapped as the parents are then able to choose a gift for their child. The toys will be distributed with the Christmas Hampers. Part of making those experiencing difficulties in our community have a nice Christmas. Thank you and God bless you all."

**AUSTRALIAN NATIVITY SCENE (ANS) AT ST ELIZABETH'S PARISH, DANDENONG NORTH:** Monday, 9 December, 2019 to Friday, 10 January, 2020 Where: St Elizabeth's Parish, 107 Baker Rd, Dandenong North. All Welcome! Cost: FREE Children are to be accompanied by an adult/guardian/parents Viewing time: After Mass times and any other time by appointments only Contacts: 9795 6217 (parish office) Website: <http://www.australiannativityscene.org/>

**POSITION VACANT:** Don Bosco Retreat Centre, Lysterfield. Office Assistant/Book-keeper (approx. 0.5FTE commencing January 2020) Gardener (part time/ casual) Kitchen/General Assistant (part time/casual) Please submit simple expressions of interest via "Contact Us" section of our website: [donboscoretreats.org.au](http://donboscoretreats.org.au)

**NEEDED: DIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF CARITAS:** Would suit a motivated person with an interest in Project Compassion and related activities. Travel around the diocese at times, particularly in Lent (fuel allowance and other allowances). May suit someone recently or partly retired (perhaps but not necessarily with a teaching background). Contact: Dcn Mark Kelly 0427748646/ [Mark.Kelly@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Mark.Kelly@cdsale.org.au)

**EMMAUS WALKING RETREAT:** Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Cost \$1500, Registration by 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020. 10% early discount by 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019. Registration 0477 474 848

**FOOTSTEPS OF IGNATIUS:** France, Spain & Italy Led by Michael Ryan SJ & Colleen Leonard SGS 28<sup>th</sup> Sept – 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 2020 \$500 dep payment by 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2019. Early bird discount \$200

**YOUTH CORNER 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? For more information please contact Sr Mary on 5996 1985.