



# St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year B  
12<sup>th</sup> September 2021

## 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

Due to COVID19 - The Parish Office will be closed to  
visitors & staff working remotely from home:  
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8.30am to 3.00pm

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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 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 Secretary:** Mrs 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:**

**Sunday:** 9.00am

**Livestreamed Sunday 9.00am**

**Monday to Saturday: 9.30am**

*Please search YouTube: St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne*

*Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/StAgathasCP/>*

### Weekday Mass Times

**Monday:** 9.30am - Live Streamed

**Tuesday:** 9.30am - Live Streamed

**Wednesday:** 9.30am - Live Streamed

**Thursday:** 9.30am - Live Streamed

**Friday:** 9.30am - Live Streamed

**Saturday:** 9.30am - Live Streamed

### Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: 10.00am Suspended

Saturday: 10.00am Suspended

### 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 Saturday: 8.00am - 9.00am followed by

**Divine Office:** Morning prayer 9.00am - 9.15am

**Adoration Chapel:** Closed due to the lockdown

### Healing Mass Suspended

### 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

7.30pm-8.30pm in the Adoration Chapel

### Baptisms - Suspended

Sundays at 12.30pm by appointment.

Baptism Information Session held First Sunday of the Month  
3.00pm in the Parish Hall. [Bookings may be made through  
the parish website or contacting the parish office]

**Marriages** 6 months' notice requested

**DEAR PARISHIONERS**, thank you for your wonderful response to my invitation to submit names for the Memorial Mass celebrated yesterday for your loved ones who have died within the last eighteen months. We continue to pray for their eternal rest. This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. The Church takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. To view Bishop Greg Bennet's video message plus the winning posters from the children across our Diocese and to access a resource to assist parents, go to [www.cdsale.org.au/child-safety-week-2021](http://www.cdsale.org.au/child-safety-week-2021)  
May God Bless you, Fr Joseph

**FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE OF SALE:** This month the Special Collection is for the Priests' Welfare Foundation will go towards the support of the sick or retired priests and deacons of our diocese and the overseas priests in time of sickness. Click on the link for an easy way to donate: <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation>

All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Your donations may also be made through your local parish.

**PARISH STAFF** continue to work from remotely from home, staff can be contacted by email or phoning the parish office during office hours.

**RCIA SPONSOR: ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO HELP?** Have you thought about becoming a sponsor? God may be calling you; this might be your time. What is a sponsor? We are in need of male sponsors. It is a good practice is to assign men to men as it is good to have someone with similar struggles to talk to. A sponsor is prayerful, attends Mass, Adoration, etc. Open to a new friendship, a good listener. Available for most weekly sessions on Wednesday evenings. Someone who would be excited to watch your own faith journey deepen as you witness your candidate's conversion. Someone who can be open to the R.C.I.A. process. If you would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** For children in government schools, will be postponed due to the lockdown

**ONLINE PETITION:** Bishop Greg has invited us to show our support and solidarity as Christians for the Afghan community, by signing an online petition. We, the Australian Church, are calling on the Federal Government to welcome a special intake of an additional 20,000 Afghan refugees, and support the ongoing well-being of all Afghan refugees and their families. <https://www.unitedforafghanistan.com/>

Netflix for Catholics, free for all parishioners! Go to our parish website at



[https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-](https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-formed-gift-subscription.html)

[formed-gift-subscription.html](https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-formed-gift-subscription.html) on how to join and logon with the parish code: **2QKKNB** Every week - Formed highlight different content.

**This week: Presence - Sacred Art the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

<https://watch.formed.org/carousel/videos/sacred-art-the-nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary>

**DIVINE AUSTRALIA KIDS PRESENTS:** 'A Bible Quest from the Bible Chest' For all children aged between 5 – 13, Every alternate Saturdays 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM (AEST) Via Zoom. Our next Bible Quest is on 25<sup>th</sup> September. Parents, to request an enrolment form for your child please contact: [divinekidsministry@gmail.com](mailto:divinekidsministry@gmail.com)

**YOUTH MINISTER 2022:** Expressions of interest are invited for the position of Warragul and Drouin Parishes Youth Minister from January 2022. Current position is 8 hours per week equivalent but it is hoped that, in combination with some neighbouring parishes, multiple days can be offered to the right applicant. Expressions of interest: Deacon Mark Kelly 0427748646/  
[Mark.Kelly@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Mark.Kelly@cdsale.org.au)

**FIRST COMMUNION 2021:** Parent-Child Workshop and ceremonies to be rescheduled after lockdown restrictions.

**COVID SAFETY:** In line with current government restrictions.

**CHURCH:** Closed to No in-person gatherings permitted. Livestreaming and Broadcast is permitted with a total of 5 people present including technicians.

**FACE COVERINGS:** Face masks: must be worn inside and outdoors everywhere except your own home.

**FUNERALS (INDOOR AND OUTDOOR):** Permitted with no more than 10 people (and those necessary to conduct the funeral). Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap.

**ADORATION CHAPEL** is closed for private prayer.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING:** The pews in the Church have been moved for your safety. Please do not move the pews in the Church for your safety and it causes damage to the carpet.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND:** An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication. This experience gives you the tools to keep your passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living. The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Please check our website for more details. We have two options: An on-line/virtual weekend: 16 - 17 October 2021 in west Gippsland. (Book early to avoid disappointment) Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au) Website: [wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au)

**PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER CAMPAIGN** Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021. 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.' Mark 8:27-35. There can be no shortcuts, no bypassing the cross or the tomb, to encounter the resurrection. For new life and new hope to emerge, we need to acknowledge that we are a broken, hurt and traumatised Church... by standing in solidarity and compassion with each other, particularly the wounded, the poor and the traumatised. ((Humble, Healing and Merciful – Discernment Paper pp. 12 and 18)

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/)

**CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF CREATION** throughout the whole from 1<sup>st</sup> September ending 4th October with the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Pope Francis's landmark encyclical 'Laudato Si' and its teachings urge all of us to continue to proactively care for the earth and each other. The latest Living Liturgy issue listed various resources and online offerings to assist your parish in praying during this month of Creation and also to set some practical goals for sustainability and the care of our precious planet and all that it contains.

**SAFEGUARDING:** 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 Officers are Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin who can be contacted the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985 or email [Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au) If a person is in immediate danger of physical or sexual abuse: **Call 000**



**PRAYER**

Gracious God, you love and care for all of your children, especially the smallest and most vulnerable.

We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at risk who have been sexually abused, and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed.

Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take responsibility for those whose lives have been broken.

Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by abuse, and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace communities and families will find understanding and support, so that now and in the future their wounds may be healed and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required. We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen



**The Recently Deceased:** Kerrie-Anne Rosette, Alex Salvo, Fr Kenny Mendes, Carol Bayliss, Mary Barton, Jacob Myhre

**Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time:** Peter Brumby, Bruno & Alphonso, Eugenio Cimino, Santa Maria Cimino, Mary Chacko, Sale Ah Sio, Luigi Raffa, Fr Maria Das, Rosario Bellinvia, Stephen D'costa, Fr Thomas Hurley, Fr John Howard, Shikriti Margaret Mary Gomes, Joan Pese Karunaratne 1<sup>st</sup>

**Those who are sick:** Arlette Lalouette, Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Lorenzo, Ignazia Carcangio, Glen Lippert, Edgar Lalouette, Nella Raffa, France Bernon, Janet Elliott, Margaret Fry, George Kelaart, Odilia Schreurs, Baby Noah, Norma Clapperton, Rosa Visalli, Teresa & Mario Marinelli, Annarosa & Ignazia Zucca, Otto Harris, Kay Martini, Sirinimal "Sam" & Lyndell Adikari, Denis Beltrame, Wayne Bourke

*With respect for the privacy of the person who is ill, we can only accept requests from the ill person or their immediate family. Please advise the Parish Secretary if you wish to be taken off the sick list.*

*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 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday      Wis 2:12, 17-20;      James 3:16-4:3;      Mk 9:30-37

11-12 September 2021	Lector	
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Sisters	
7.30am		
9.00am		
10.45am		
6.00pm		
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Suspended	
CHURCH COUNTERS		
CHURCH CLEANERS		
18-19 September 2021	Lector	RESTRICTIONS PERMITTING
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Sisters	
7.30am		
9.00am		
10.45am		
6.00pm		
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Suspended	
CHURCH COUNTERS		
CHURCH CLEANERS		

ST AGATHA'S VOICE FOR LIFE

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**MASS FOR THE UNBORN – 9.30am Mass**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month

**HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION, 7.30pm**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month – at our Adoration chapel

“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*

### 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month after 10.45am Mass in the Hall. Enq: Sisters

**THE BRIGADIERS OF LOURDES:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: Petelo 0435 118 132

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Mon 10.30am Parish Hall Ph: Jacinta 0426 973 026

**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

**YOUTH GROUPS INVIGORATE [Age 12-14]** Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am

**AGAPE [Age 18+]:** Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am Youth Mass. Enq: Sr Mary 5996 1985

**VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP:** Enquiries: Maria Nieuwesteeg 0409 563 864 or email [voiceforlife@hotmail.com](mailto: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:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 Sr Victoria 5996 1985

**PLAYGROUP:** For COVID safety reasons, suspended until further notice. Contact Sr Victoria 5996 1985

**FAMILY ROSARY GROUP:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month in the Parish Hall. Enquiries: Anita 5995 5545

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

**LIVE STREAMING MASSES:** Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 9.00am Mass, Masses 9.30am weekday are Live Streamed, for those parishioners who are home bound and unable to attend Mass. <https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne>



<https://www.facebook.com/StAgathasCP>



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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.

**24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

**FIRST READING**

*Isaiah 50:5-9*

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord,  
in the land of the living.***

I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. **R.**

They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. **R.**

He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **R.**

**SECOND READING**

*James 2:14-18*

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, "I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty." without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: "You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you

that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show."

The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia.***

**GOSPEL**

*Mark 8:27-35*

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, "Who do people say I am?" And they told him. "John the Baptist," they said "others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets." "But you," he asked "who do you say I am?" Peter spoke up and said to him, "You are the Christ." And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, "Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's." He called the people and his disciples to him and said, "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

When we eat this Bread... ..

