



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C
6th February 2022

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]

☎ 5996 1985 Fax: 5996 1992

Email: parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

Website: 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

Parish Secretary: Mrs Tina Dam

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St Agatha's Primary School

3 Scott Street, Cranbourne

☎ 5996 2724

Deputy Principal: Liam Doherty

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

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 & 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 Saturday: 8.00am - 9.00am followed by

Divine Office: Morning prayer 9.00am - 9.15am

Adoration Chapel: 24/7 Entry to the chapel is via a PIN code, obtained through the Parish Office. Please check in with the Victorian QR code app on arrival.

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: 1st Friday of the Month 9.30am

Holy Hour for the Unborn - 1st Friday of the Month
7.30pm-8.30pm

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



This Monday we wish Fr Stanly a very Happy Birthday, may God continue to bless you always.

DEAR PARISHIONERS, thank you to all our volunteers who have complied with regulations, for further information please read the Reminder to All Volunteer Notice. A big thank you to all the volunteers who assisted during and Christmas, New Year and holiday period. May God continue to shower blessings on you and your families.

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 6 in 2022. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

POSITION VACANT – Assistant Parish Secretary.

A position has become available based at the St Agatha's, Cranbourne parish office. The primary purpose of the role is in providing secretarial and administrative support to the Parish Priest and Parish Secretary. The position is casual part-time, 3 days a week 8.30am to 4.00pm.

Applications are to be addressed to the Parish Priest and emailed to parishoffice@stagathas.org.au by Friday 11th February 2022. Please submit a cover letter along with a current resume. For a copy of the job description please contact the parish office via email or directly on 03 95996 1985.

POSITION VACANT – Parish Gardening and Maintenance Person

A position has become available based at St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne. This role is to provide gardening and general maintenance work for the Parish grounds and properties. The position is casual part-time, 3 days a week 8.30am to 4.00pm.

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WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to Priscilla Ancona & Matthew Maddalena on the marriage this weekend.

THANK YOU: The family of the Late George Kelaart extend their sincerest thanks to the Priests, Nuns, Parishioners & Parish Staff for your support during this very difficult time. Words cannot express how very grateful our family is to all of you for your prayers, presence, condolences, floral tributes, phone calls, and messages received on all media platforms. Please continue to pray for our family as we heal & learn to move forward.

FEAST DAY OF ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA TUESDAY, 8th FEBRUARY. St Josephine Bakhita is the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. On this day, Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human trafficking, and the people who volunteer and work to eradicate this crime. For more information and resources contact: ACRATH - Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans

PLEASE DO NOT DROP RUBBISH in or near the skip bins. Please take it to the rubbish tip or arrange a hard waste collection from your premise. Deliberately leaving, waste on private or public land is considered illegal dumping. The parish incurs the cost to dispose of the waste.

MISSING PARISH WALKIE TALKIES: If you volunteered over the Christmas period and are in possession of the Parish Walkie Talkies (Handheld Radios) and high vis vests. The Parish Office is now open, Please return ASAP thank you.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Information Session and Parent Workshop: This Wednesday 9th February at 7.00pm or Wednesday 16th February at 7.00pm at the Church. Parents need to attend only one session (no need to bring your child). Enquiries: Sr Faustina.

NEW LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: A training session will be held on Thursday 17th March at 7.30pm after 7.00pm Mass. The extraordinary minister's role is to distribute Holy Communion, either within Mass or by taking it to a sick person.

ST AGATHA'S PARISH FEAST DAY: The Feast Day of our Patron, St Agatha will be celebrated on Sunday 27th February during the 10.45am Mass, followed by a procession of the St. Agatha's statue from the Church to the school hall. Restrictions permitting a lunch will be held to celebrate the Cultural groups that make up our Parish Community.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for children in Government Schools have resumed on Wednesday during school terms at 4.00pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CATECHISTS: Would you like to volunteer as a RE Catechist? Classes are held on Wednesday afternoon from 4.00pm to 5.00pm. Experienced Catechists and new member welcome. For more information contact Sr Victoria on 59961 985

JUNIOR RCIA: For older children who have not completed their Sacraments, especially children in Grade 6 this year in non-Catholic schools. Classes 5th February 2022. For more info contact Sr Victoria on 5996 1985

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CARITAS AUSTRALIA TONGAN APPEAL: Is currently raising funds to support communities impacted by the eruption and tsunami in Tonga. For donations call 1800 024 413 toll free or visit: <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific/>

LENTE RETREAT- REMEMBER The first word we hear during Lent is 'Remember.' "Remember you are dust, and unto dust you will return." We are inviting everyone to join our online Lenten Retreat for this year 2022. Our first meeting is on March 3 at 10:30 am - 11:45 am. The next meetings will start at 10:45 am -11:45 am on March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31 and April 7. Lenten Retreat Daily reflections will be available for your prayer material. The registration is open now and will close on February 28. We also offer this year.

- Full Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius de Loyola with limited places
- Grace Upon Grace: Savouring the Spiritual Exercises through the Arts

This is an inclusive and contemporary retreat that has the same dynamic seasons as that of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola written in the early sixteenth century.

This has limited places so please book in early.

- Spiritual Direction

Contact: Ruth 0477800161 or Divine 0427706498

GROUP LEADERS: As parish groups are returning to face-to-face meetings, it is a Diocesan requirement that leaders are to keep a record of all those attending the meeting for Safeguarding records and QR code on arrival.

CHURCH FLOWERS DONATIONS: If you would like to make a donation towards Church flowers, please place the money in an envelope marked "Flowers" Thank you.

CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING VOLUNTEERS: We require Volunteers to arrange flowers in the Church? Volunteers are required to have a valid Working with Children, sign a Code of Conduct and be fully vaccinated. Please contact the Parish office for more information.

YOUTH: Invigorate Youth resume their activities from next Sunday 13th February after the 10.45am Mass in the parish hall.

A REMINDER TO ALL VOLUNTEERS: All volunteers are required to have a valid Working With Children Check, signed the Parish Code of Conduct and have undergone Safeguarding Training either in person or on-line before you will be allowed to volunteer at St Agatha's.

If your Working With Children Check has expired are required to renew it immediately and forward the parish office a copy of such renewal.

All volunteers are required to sign the new Code of Conduct: available via the parish website. Click on "Menu" on the top lefthand corner of the page, select "Safeguarding – Code of Conduct". Then click on to read or download the full Code of Conduct: Click Here, read it and indicate your acceptance to be bound by it by completing the form at the end of the previous page "Safeguarding – Code of Conduct".

In compliance with Covid-19 regulations and Diocesan directives, all volunteers who serve on-site at the parish's premises are also required to forward to the parish office evidence of their double vaccination or evidence of exemption.

COVID SAFETY: In line with current government restrictions. We ask that you kindly register with QR code provided on arrival.

IF YOU FEEL UNWELL, PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND MASS.

FACE COVERINGS: Are not needed but recommended if you cannot physically distance.

ALL VOLUNTEERS AND PARISH STAFF are required to be fully vaccinated. **Please refrain from touching or kissing devotional items.** They should be venerated by bowing or other faith appropriate action.

ADORATION CHAPEL please check in with QR code on arrival and follow instructions. Capacity limits still apply.

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 If a person is in immediate danger of physical or sexual abuse: **Call 000**