



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C
27th July 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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Email: parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

Website: www.stagathas.org.au

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 Safeguarding Officer: John Kelly

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Email: cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au

Parish Secretary: Mrs Tina Dam

Assistant Secretary: Mrs Gaude Tandoc

Admin Assistant: Mr Adam Dam

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St Agatha's Primary School

3 Scott Street, Cranbourne

☎ 5996 2724

Principal: Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

St Therese's Primary School

131 Endeavour Drive
Cranbourne North

☎ 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

Thursday: 9.30am & 12noon St Peter's College MacKillop House

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: 1st Friday of the Month 9.30am

Holy Hour for the Unborn - 1st Friday of the Month after 9.30am
Mass

Baptisms

Sundays at 12.30pm by appointment. Baptism Information Session
held on 1st 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, Please keep Fr Michael Willemsen PP of Narre Warren in your prayers.

A **VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP** will be conducted by the Diocesan Pastoral Life and Mission Team for all choir members, lectors, extraordinary ministers, collectors, PPC, counters & sacristans in the Church on Thursday 21st August at 7.00pm. This meeting is mandatory for all volunteers. Please register your attendance by scanning the QR code in the foyer or <https://forms.gle/rqT9C3ZwoT7qHRqeA> or contact the parish office to register.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES: New envelopes have been added to the trays. To save of postage, please collect your new stewardship envelopes from the table in the foyer, thank you.

SERVANTS OF 2 HEARTS SISTERS have conveyed their heartfelt thanks for the warm welcome and support received during their visit last weekend.

This weekend we celebrate the 5th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The Jubilee we are now celebrating helps us to realize that hope is a constant source of joy, whatever our age. When that hope has also been tempered by fire over the course of a long life, it proves a source of deep happiness. There will be a blessing after communion. The theme of the day is: "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. Sir 14:2)

SPECIAL COLLECTION CATHOLICARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. The services include counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.

ALTAR SERVERS: New rosters are being compiled, if you recently attended the Altar Servers training session with your child and wish them to be rostered, please return the permission form ASAP so new rosters can be completed. If you have any questions, please contact Tina at the parish office.

DIVINE KIDS BIBLE STUDIES CLASSES resume this Sunday 10.00am in the Parish Hall.

SPONSORSHIP: Elizabeth Lupeamanu has a calling to volunteer with NET Ministries, Australia & NZ. A Catholic peer-to-peer youth ministry, with Youth Evangelization. If you would like to sponsor support Elizabeth one of our youth members, scan the QR code in the Church foyer to make a donation.

FUNERAL: Funeral Mass for Franco Bernon will be celebrated this Tuesday 29th July. Rosary at 11.00am, Funeral Mass at 11.30am

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.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION AND PARENT WORKSHOP: Wednesday 30th July 7.00pm at St Agatha's School Hall. For more information contact Sr Faustina on 5996 1985.

ST AGATHA'S GOLDEN OLDIES: Thanks for coming out on such a terrible day weather wise and for your patience with our technical hiccups. We'll do better next week, I hope you can all come back with some more Golden Oldies. We get better with age." Meeting Tuesday at 1.30pm in the Parish Hall.

RCIA DIOCESAN WORKSHOP: With Fr Elio Capra, Rejuvenation RCIA an invitation to RCIA teams and interested parishioners. Saturday 23rd August 2025 9.30am for a 10.00am start. 6 Witton St, Warragul Finish 1.00pm lunch and fellowship. Lunch and morning tea provided. Register at <https://forms.office.com/r/d8VQwbn7mT> or Joan Robertson: St Joseph's Parish Office: 5623 1642

BAPTISM WORKSHOP: This compulsory for Parishioners involved in the Baptism Preparation Team for Infants and interested parishioners. The Diocesan Pastoral Life & Mission Team has produced a resource in response to the need for current and relevant information to be used in Baptism preparation across the diocese. This resource has the approval of Bishop Greg for use in the diocese and has had a Nihil Obstat granted by Very Rev Dr C Forbes. The resource incorporates the use of a Booklet and PowerPoint presentation which parishes can either use as is, or which you can tailor to suit your parish circumstances. Meeting will be held at **St Agatha's Cranbourne on Tuesday 5th August at 7.00pm to 8.30pm in the Church.** To register please email the parishoffice@stagathas.org.au or 5996 1985.

ALTAR SERVERS: Fr Prabhu will be visiting families of the Altar servers for the Jubilee Year. He will make contact to arrange a suitable time.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AUGUST cuppa after 10.45am Mass on the First Sunday of the month will be hosted by the **Choirs**

ST AGATHA'S VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP: Plaques for Memorial Garden. If you have lost a baby due to miscarriage, still birth, sids or other and wish to order a plaque for the wall in the memorial garden. Please contact the parish office before the 19th September 2025 so the plaques will be ready for the Mass of the Angels on the 14th November.

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

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.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE: FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL: Join the Parish of Meredith and Fr. Joseph on a spiritual journey tracing the Footsteps of St. Paul, from October 7th to 18th, 2025. This unforgettable pilgrimage will take us through sacred sites where St. Paul preached and ministered, deepening our connection to Scripture and faith. It will be a time of reflection, discovery, and renewal in the company. Please contact parish office: 03 5286 1230. Email: Meredith@cam.org.au

HELP CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND: Aid to the Church in Need is providing urgent support to the Church in Israel and Gaza in the ongoing conflict. Without your help, many desperate Christian families will be forced to leave. To make an emergency donation visit www.aidtochurch.org/holyland or scan the QR code.



THE RESCUE ROSARY: Praying for our family and friends back to God and the Church. For information contact Maree Gobel on 0457744122 or mv.gobal@bigpond.com

A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND is a gift for every married couple. And every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out for the two of you to focus on your most precious relationship. You will come away feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep your renewed intimacy alive. No group sharing is required.

The weekend is based on Catholic values and couples of all faiths are very welcome. October 10-12: St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South. Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm. Information/Bookings: Please phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

CBS BIBLE STUDY GROUP will be commencing the Study of 1 & 2 Peter from the New Testament on Thursday 7th AUGUST at 7.00pm St Michael's in the Parish Centre. For further information, please contact Roy Baker on Mobile 0402784027 or Email roytinabaker@gmail.com

DIVINE MERCY YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT RETREAT: Have you discovered your purpose in life? Don Bosco Retreat Centre, Lysterfield. Weekend away Friday 1st August 5.00pm to Sunday 3rd August 4.00pm. Booking <https://www.trybooking.com/DDQB7>

PARISHIONERS LOOKING FOR A ROOM TO RENT: A single lady, practicing Catholic is looking for a room to rent, please contact the parish office on 5996 1985.

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.

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 Officer is John Kelly contact 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.**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP: 1800RESPECT - 1800 737 732; **SAFE STEPS:** 1800 015 188; **ORANGE DOOR:** 1800 271 170 Dandenong or Pakenham.



The Recently Deceased: France Louis (Franco) Bernon, Pauline Alphonso Maptitgama, Sue Johnson, Lourenca Mira Kozaris

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Clive Lloyd, Joseph Sandanasamy, Alphy Lazar, Timur Kasim, Rhoda Ross, Gustavo Klein, Connie Changtine, Malia Matalena Amituanai, Mike, Salvina Buttigieg, Letecia Estoy Monte, Melecia Jalop, Marie Ashton, Baby C Thomas, Alexander Joachim, Philomena D'Cruz, Gilbert Joachim, Anthony Clarke, Giovanni Bruno, John Henry Paul, Helena Bothello, Michael Pereira, Fr Michael Murphy, Fr Reginald Wilson, Fr Francis Feruga S.Chr

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 MacFarlane, Kim Suarez, Edsel Spink, Mario Ragoobur, Paul Lemalu

*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 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Luke 12:13-21

26 th & 27 th July 2025	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Children's Choir	A Hughes, L Lim, C D'Lima, R Trevisan, volunteer
7.30am	R Trevisan	D Lutu, M Natoli, C Beloso, R Beloso
9.00am	C Philip	E Mandividza, Y Prasetyo, C Gostimir, R Papiernik, K, Auvale, volunteer, volunteer
10.45am	C Noronha	A Fosio, M Thomas, C Tyminski, T Nyerenyere, S Lucas, N Atulia, L Caballero
6.00pm	R Gimeno	J Connell, J MacDonald
CHURCH COUNTERS		R & C Beloso, M Rodrigues, L Noronha

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 you have done it unto one of the least of these My Brethren, you have done it unto Me."
Matthew 25:40

2 nd & 3 rd August 2025	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	H Guerra	L Lim, R Sutherland, M Parrocho, R Clarke, K Parrocho
7.30am	M Lutu	P&L Joseph, T Heldt, L Jean Louis
9.00am	A George	T Dam, M&A dam, S Spaul, E Mandividza, Y Prasetyo, K Auvale
10.45am	J Gunn	R D'Mello, R D/Mello, M Gambin, M D'Costa, T Lupeamanu, R Samson, L Cotacte
6.00pm	R Howell	J Connell, J MacDonald
CHURCH COUNTERS		K Jolley, C Di Pietro, V Bucello

ST. AGATHA'S YOUTH GROUPS Upcoming Dates:
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. Enq: Anetelea Fosio 0403 429 509

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Enq: 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. Enq: 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. Enq: 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

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. <https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne>



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



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PARISH APP: The parish APP is available from '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

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

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 27TH JULY 2025

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.' The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.' Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.' Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will be only twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will be only ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **R.**

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

SECOND READING

Colossians 2:12-14

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's Children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples'. He said to them, 'Say this when you pray: "Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."' He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you," I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants. 'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread