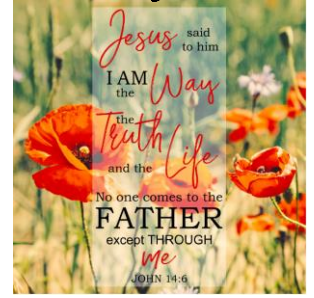


# St. Agatha's Parish Cranbourne 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Due to COVID19 The Parish Office will be closed to visitors:  
Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8.30am to 3.00pm**

**ST. AGATHA'S PARISH WEEKEND AND  
WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE LIVESTREAMED**

**Saturday:** 6.00pm

**Sunday:** 9.00am

**Weekday Mass Times**

**Monday to Saturday:** 9.30am

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd9moZmnAUIrOw-c9jn03Cg>

*Facebook Live:*

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

**For Mass offerings, Recently Deceased or  
Anniversaries please phone or email the  
parish office**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The Recently Deceased:** Shirley Evans, Antanas Laugalis, Neville Bester in South Africa,

**Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time:** Josephine Dengate, Shaji Jacob, Prospero Cabanayan, Juanito Domantay, Maria & Anthony Bastian, Sunny Sunil, Fr Aeneas Hennesy, Mg Jim O'Mara

**Those who are sick:** Arlette Lalouette, Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Warren, Lorenzo, Gabriel, Leo Domantay, Ignazia Carcangio, Eugene D'Cruz, Glen Lippert, Olivia Newton John, Patrick Adams, Edgar Lalouette, Nella Raffa, France Bernon, Arnaud Le Merle, Janet Elliott, Margaret Fry, Melitus Fernando

**WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.** Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our **Parish Safeguarding Officers:** Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin via the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985, **Diocesan Professional Standards Officer:** 03 5614 5140. If a person is in immediate danger of physical or sexual abuse: **Call 000.**

### PARISH NEWS

## Happy Mother's Day

**Dear Parishioners,** At Masses this weekend we pray for our mothers on Mother's Day. We remember all the mothers in our congregation, expectant mothers and our mothers who have died and gone to their eternal reward. It is a special day to appreciate mothers or mother figures, including stepmothers, relatives, guardians, close family friends and those who would be mothers to express our love and gratitude and wish all mothers a Happy and blessed Mother's Day.

Let us acknowledge we have two mothers: our earthly mother and our Heavenly Mother, the Mother of Jesus. The Catholic Church proclaims the great nobility as the Mother of Jesus, Mary most holy, and presents her as the supreme model for all mothers. On this Mother's Day, let us show our love and appreciation for both of our mothers, and let us ask our Heavenly Mother to take care of our earthly mothers.

A Novena to Our Lady Help of Christians will be prayed every day at Mass, starting this Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May till Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

Stewardship envelopes and receipts have been posted out this week. Our next 3 year Stewardship campaign was due to begin this month and our main focus was fundraising for the extension to the church. Now with the uncertainty of what long term financial impact COVID-19 will have on the parish the Parish Finance Council have postponed the campaign until next year. Although it is postponed, I still want to encourage those who are currently not registered for Stewardship contributions and are in a position to contribute or may be new to the parish to please register your support.

I do ask you to keep the Parish and all parishioners in your prayers as we manage this crisis together and remember we are still here for you.

God bless Fr Joseph

## **5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER, 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020**

### **FIRST READING**

**ACTS 6:1-7**

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.***

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R.**

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

### **SECOND READING**

**1 PETER 2:4-9**

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a

stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!***

### **GOSPEL**

**JN 14:1-12**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.' Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me? To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, 'Let us see the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father living in me who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

When we eat this Bread... ..

**MASS OFFERINGS:** At your request, a Mass can be offered for your intention. This can only be arranged through telephoning the Parish Office on 5996 1985.

The Parish Office is closed and staff will be working remotely from home, all calls and emails will be answered. Mon, Tue & Thurs Fri 8.30am to 3.00pm.

**STEWARDSHIP RECEIPTS:** Stewardship Envelopes and receipts for all givers were posted on Wednesday. As you are unable to attend Mass during the COVID-19 restrictions we are appealing to parishioners to continue their financial support of the parish and to consider changing to direct debit during this time. Along with your statement we have included details on how you can continue to give to both the Stewardship and second (presbytery) collection. If you wish to continue to use the stewardship envelopes the letter will explain how you can submit them. If you have recently changed address could you please call the parish office on 5996 1985 to update your details.

### **COMBINED PARISHES RAFFLE:**

Due to the current restrictions imposed by the Victorian Government because of the Corona Virus pandemic, the Victorian Commission of Gambling and Liquor Regulation have extended the Draw dates and Publication for the 2020 Combined Raffle. **New Draw Date: 26 September 2020 at 7.15 pm. Publication of Winners Date: 30 September 2020.**

If you would like to purchase tickets for this raffle or return the ticket stubs please contact the parish office on 5996 1985.



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**REMEMBERING ARCHBISHOP-ELECT PATRICK O'REGAN** in your prayer as he prepares to take up his pastoralship of the Archdiocese of Adelaide.

He is now in Adelaide and in isolation for two weeks. He will be installed as the 9th Archbishop of Adelaide, in a simplified ceremony, on Monday 25th May at St Francis Cathedral, on the Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians.

The ceremony will be livestreamed via the Adelaide Archdiocese and details will be available on our Diocesan website.

*O God, the giver of all good things,*

*We bless and thank you for Archbishop-elect Patrick, for the five years of his ministry and servant leadership among us as our Bishop in the Diocese of Sale.*

*We thank you for the example of goodness that he has been to us and by which we have been encouraged and inspired in our journey of discipleship of your Son, Jesus.*

*May you Holy Spirit continue to grace him with the gifts of wisdom and strength, gentleness and compassion.*

*May he be welcomed joyfully into the Archdiocese of Adelaide, now entrusted to his care and leadership.*

*May you continue to guide him and bless him all the days of his life.*

*We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Pray for us*

*St Mary of the Cross Mackillop – Pray for us*

### **GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May

**John 14:21-26** The Holy Spirit whom the Father will send will teach you all things.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May

**John 14:27-31** My peace I give to you.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May

**John 15:1-8** All who live in me and I in them bear much fruit.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

**John 15:9-17** It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May

**John 15:12-17** This I command you, that you love one another.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May

**John 15:18-21** You do not belong to the world because I have chosen you out of it.



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Are you wondering how the coronavirus pandemic is affecting the Church around the world? Visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/covid-19](http://www.aidtochurch.org/covid-19) to read messages from bishops, priests, brothers and religious sisters serving in some of the most remote and dangerous countries in the world.

# FAMILY PRAYER WEEK BY WEEK

Liturgy Brisbane:

<https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/>

## JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

Don't be worried, have faith

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5th Sunday of Easter, Year A [N05EASUA\_2005\_WSG.rtf]

## Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A

"I am the way, the truth and the life."

### Bed Time Prayer



ROLL-A-PRAYER for bedtime 4

Now the light has gone away  
listen, Jesus, while I pray.  
Please forgive my faults today;  
bless my life in work and play.

Jn 14:1-12

Try to find these words:

believe  
faith  
Father  
house  
life  
Philip  
prepare  
rooms  
true  
truth  
way  
worried

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# Jesus is the way to the Father



5th Sunday of Easter, Year A

## Gospel Jn 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
Trust in God still, and trust in me.  
There are many rooms in my Father's house;  
if there were not, I should have told you.  
I am now going to prepare a place for you,  
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,  
I shall return to take you with me;  
so that where I am  
you may be too.  
You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going,  
so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.  
No one can come to the Father except through me.  
If you know me, you know my Father too.  
From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall  
be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time,  
Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?'

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father,  
so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?  
Do you not believe  
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?  
The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:  
it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.  
You must believe me when I say  
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;  
believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no  
other reason.




'I tell you most solemnly,  
whoever believes in me  
will perform the same works as I do myself,  
he will perform even greater works,  
because I am going to the Father.'





Draw an arrow next to the words below which describe the Way, the Truth and the Life that Jesus wants us to follow.

- LOVE
- PEACE
- GREED
- FORGIVENESS
- CONFLICT
- JUSTICE
- SELFISHNESS
- COMPASSION
- HONESTY
- HATRED

Can you decipher what Jesus is saying?



**come 2**  
**the**  **except**



" \_\_\_\_\_ come  
\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_  
except \_\_\_\_\_ ."

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# Solutions

5th Sunday of Easter, Year A

Can you decipher what Jesus is saying?

