



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C
19th October 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:

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, 11.30am Funeral, 12noon at St Therese's
School & 6.00pm St Peter's Graduation Mass

Thursday: 9.30am

Friday: 9.30am, 11.00am Mercy Place Aged Care & 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.

MISSION SUNDAY 2024.

Dear Parishioners, Today, over one billion Catholics all over the world observe as World Mission Sunday. This annual observance was instituted in 1926 by Pope Pius XI. The theme of this year's World Mission Day is rooted in the Gospel of Matthew: "Go and invite everyone to the Banquet." The theme for this year World Mission Sunday is "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples". Here, Pope Leo invites the faithful to reflect together on our baptismal calling: "let us commit ourselves anew to the sweet and joyful task of bringing Christ Jesus our Hope to the ends of the earth".

How should we evangelize? By exemplary and transparent Christian life, by prayer and by financial support. The most powerful means of preaching Christ is by living a truly Christian life -- a life filled with love, mercy, kindness, compassion and a spirit of forgiveness and service. All missionary efforts also require financial support because the love of God can often be explained to the poor only by providing them with food, medicine and means of livelihood.

Special Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend for Catholic Mission. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and to the people of Zambia. Donation envelopes are available from the foyer if you wish to donate by credit card. **HELPING HANDS ARE BETTER THAN PRAYING LIPS.**

We welcome Bishop Edwin Mulandu, Bishop of Mpika, Zambia, to celebrate mass with us on next Sunday 26th October at 6.00pm mass. Bishop Mulandu was officially ordained in 2001. He has now served as the National Director of the Pontifical Societies in Zambia, and in 2021 he was appointed Bishop of Mpika by Pope Francis, a largely rural diocese plagued by deep socioeconomic challenges. Fr. Antony

WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN OF GOD: Jack Bissett, child of Nathan & Anita, Bailey Dennis, child of Adam & Elizabeth and Sebastian Sestanovich child of Matthew and Nicole

CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL THANKYOU: CatholicCare Community extend a heartfelt thanks to St Agatha's parishioners for your generous special collection donation of \$2,410.20. Blessings and peace.

FUNERAL MASS for Joanne Van den Eynden will be celebrated this Wednesday at 11.30am.

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RCIA RITES OF ACCEPTANCE: Will be celebrated next Sunday at the 9.00am Mass Senior & Junior RCIA participants, they will publicly declare for the first time their desire to enter into the full communion of the Catholic Church. Please pray for those who are preparing and help us to welcome and support them as they join us on our road to Heaven!

JOIN DIVINE KIDS FOR SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES: Ages 5-12, St Agatha's Parish Hall 10.00am to 10.45am. During school terms. Free: 40 minutes of activities, games, prayer and a session focused on the Gospel. For more information contact the parish office on 5996 1985 or divinekidsministry@gmail.com

SINULOG MASS this month will be celebrated on Friday 24th October at 7.00pm.

RIDE TO CHURCH: A lady living in Cranbourne North requires a ride to Sunday 9.00am Mass, if you are able to assist please contact the parish office.

ST THOMAS SYRO MALABAR PARISH will be selling raffle tickets next weekend at all Masses; The cost of each ticket will be \$100.

Prizes include: First Prize: Toyota RAV4 Hybrid GXL
Other Prizes: iPhone 16 Pro, Laptop, iPad A16, Apple Watch, Apple AirPods 4, \$250 Gift Card, Restaurant Vouchers

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: The international pro-life campaign, 40 Days for Life, will be running in Melbourne this year from 24th September to 2nd November. To sign up or for more details, please go to <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/melbourne> Donations gratefully accepted and will go towards supporting local pregnancy support. 40 Days for Life Melbourne, BSB: 063 167 ACC: 11053337

MORNING TEA: First Sunday of the month in November after 10.45am Mass will be hosted by the Divine Mercy Group.

BABIES FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES: We are in need of babies and their parents to help dress up as the Holy Family during the gospel at our Christmas Masses. Please contact Sr Victoria on 5996 1985.

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.

ALL SAINTS - ALL HALLOWS: "Halloween" a day to honour all saints in heaven. Children are invited to come dressed as their chosen Saint at Mass on Friday 31st October at 7.00pm & Saturday 1st November at 9.30am Mass. Please bring a plate to share after 7.00pm Mass on Friday. **ROSARY AND BLESSING OF THE GRAVES** will take place on Sunday 2nd November 2.00pm at the Cranbourne Cemetery.

ST. AGATHA'S ANNUAL CENT NIGHT: All welcome to join us in this family, fun filled evening. lots of prizes to be won. Friday 7th November - 7pm in St. Agatha's school hall. Please ring the parish office on 5996 1985 to book a table.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: Volunteers who work directly with children are required to do online training yearly; this includes clergy and parish Staff. All other volunteers are required to do online training every 3 years. If you are volunteering with children or an active volunteer and if you never received an email from Safetrac or not completed a Safetrac course in the last three years please contact the parish office or write your name on the clip board in the foyer, thank you.

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.

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.

COMMUNITY OF THE RISEN LORD: CCR Discover Christ in you the hope of Glory 2025 Retreats with Br Lalith Perera. Wednesday 22nd Oct St Michael's Berwick, Friday & Saturday 24th & 25th October weekend renewal, St Thomas the Apostle Cranbourne East, Monday 27th October OLHC Narre Warren, see poster in the foyer for more details and QR code.

CATHOLIC MISSION: In Zambia, many families struggle daily with poverty and limited access to essential healthcare. The Catholic Church stands as a beacon of hope, supporting communities through education, sustainable livelihoods, and healthcare. This World Mission Month, we invite you to journey with our missionaries, who are bringing Christ's love to those most in need. Stay tuned to learn how you can BE PART OF THIS MISSION AND HELP. Freecall: 1800 257 296 www.catholicmission.org.au/mission



EVENING OF FINE LITURGICAL MUSIC AND PRAYER at St Mary's Bairnsdale on Tuesday 28th October 2025 at 7.30pm led by Br Michael Herry fms. See poster for details.

JOB VACANCY - PARISH SACRAMENT CO-ORDINATOR: St Patrick's parish is seeking to fill the role of Parish Sacrament Co-ordinator. If you have good interpersonal skills, can work as a team member, are outgoing, and interested in organising parish events, this job is for you. We are looking to employ someone for approximately 20 hours a week, which includes some evening and weekend hours. The successful applicant will be responsible for the preparation and management of the parish sacrament programs including Baptisms, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation and RCIA. Applications can be emailed to: parishoffice@stpatrickspakenham.com.au by Mon Nov 10th. For a copy of the job description, please contact the parish office via email or on 03 5941 7315.

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



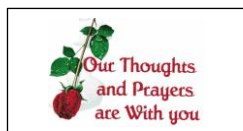
JUBILEE OF HOPE: Concept of Hope 16th November, St Michael's Traralgon. 12.00pm Tickets are free but essential for the concert. Pick yours up from GPAC (Ph: 5176 3333) or the Parish Office (Ph: 5174 2060).

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: Natarsha, Joanne Van Den Eynden, Baby Delyssa, Camille Maria-Therese

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Luke Robin, PV Francis, Pearl Wickremasinghe, Arthur Salt, Dagma DeSilva, Lourenca Mira Kozaris, Dudley Mills, Philomena D'Cruz, Elizabeth Terry, Bev Cresswell, Ustace Silva, Clancy Carr, Mary D'Graca, Desire Leveque 1st, Fr Peter Curran

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, Geraldine Harris, Edna Salt

*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 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C Ex 17:8-13, Tim 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8

18 th & 19 th October	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	R Trevisan	Volunteer, M Parrocho, R Clarke, K Parrocho
7.30am	M Lutu	R & C Beloso, T Heldt
9.00am	C Noronha	Volunteer, K Auvale, S Almeida, Y Prasetyo, T, M & A Dam
10.45am	Youth Group	A Hughes, M Gambin, M D'Costa, T Lupeamanu, M Thomas, L Coctacte, A Ulu
6.00pm	R Gimeno	E Clinch, 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

25 th & 26 th October	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Children's Choir	A Hughes, C D'Lima, R Trevisan, L Lim
7.30am	P Joseph	L Joseph, M & D Lutu
9.00am	J Kelly	S Spaul, E Mandividza, Y Prasetyo, C Gostimir, R Papernik, K Auvale, S Almeida
10.45am	P Schreurs	M & L Somibilion, J Raudino, A Fosio, M Thomas, C Noronha, I Lemalu
6.00pm	L Piedad	A Kumarasin, C Joseph
CHURCH COUNTERS		

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! @stagathasyouthcranebourne

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



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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

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>

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

FIRST READING

Exodus 17: 8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. **R.**

May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. **R.**

The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. **R.**

The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work. Before God and before Christ

Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 18: 1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.'" And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We Proclaim your Death

