



# St Agatha's Parish

## Cranbourne

Plenary Council 2020

*'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...'* REV23

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year C  
20<sup>th</sup> October 2019

### 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](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 Antony Rebelo IVD

### Sisters of the Nativity:

Sr. Mary Olofu, Sr. Faustina Ede &  
Sr Victoria Orinya ☎ 5996 1985

### Parish Safe Guarding Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ 5996 1985

**Email:** [cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au)

**Parish Secretaries:** Sue Ryan & 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:** 6.00pm

**Sunday:** 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am & 6.00pm

### Weekday Mass Times

**Monday:** 9.30am

**Tuesday:** 9.30am

**Wednesday:** 9.30am

**Thursday:** 9.30am & 7.30pm

**Friday:** 9.30am

**Saturday:** 9.30am

### Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: 10.00am

Saturday: 10.00am

### Mass for Vocations

Saturdays 9.30am

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 10.00am - 11.00am

Saturday: 10.00am - 11.00am

First Friday of the Month: 8.30pm - 9.00am

**Adoration Chapel:** 24/7 Entry to the chapel is via a PIN code, obtained through the Parish Office.

**Healing Mass** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month at 6.00pm

**First Saturday Mass at 9.30am**

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**First Friday Mass** 7.30pm followed by a spiritual teaching and all-night Adoration

**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

Sundays at 12.30pm by appointment. Baptism Information Session held on 1<sup>st</sup> 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

**Dear Parishioners,** Today the Catholic Church celebrates Mission Sunday. In the message of Pope Francis for world Mission day this year, the Holy Father reminds us of that missionary mandate we received at baptism. He said, "every baptized man and woman is a mission. People in love never stand still: they are drawn out of themselves; they are attracted and attract others in turn; they give themselves to others and build relationships that are life-giving." Today I want to encourage everyone to support this mission of the church by praying for missionaries especially those working in difficult places and to support their work with financial donation. God bless you, Fr Joseph

**WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN GOD:** Milla Murphy, child of Simon & Alexandra, Joseph Moschitz, child of Christopher & Emily, Piper Dingli, child of Luke & Jessica and Eliana Moore, child of Euan & Simona.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST OR LECTOR?** A training session will be held this Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October after the 7.30pm Mass in the Church for those wishing to join this ministry or for those wishing to have a refresher course.

**PLEASE NOTE LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:** Due to the training session for Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors this week, the new rosters will be delayed. For the time being will be begin again from the beginning this current roster from June.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Will be taken up this weekend for Catholic Mission Church Appeal for the Church in Ghana, as they provide ongoing protection and development of children who are vulnerable.

**YOUTH SAUSAGE SIZZLE** will be hosted today Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October after 9.00am & 10.45am Masses to support the Youth in Preparation for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Perth. We thank you for your generosity so far, we still have some way to go.

**PRAYER RETREAT DAY:** All are invited to come and hear Fr Hugh Thomas CSsR speak on the theme "The Power of the Rosary" on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October beginning with Mass at 9.30am and concluding at 3.30pm in the church. Includes Eucharistic Adoration, reflections & Cenacle Rosary Confession. BYO lunch, tea & coffee provided. All Welcome!

**ALTAR SERVERS RETREAT DAY:** All Altar servers are invited to attend a Retreat day this Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October beginning with Mass at 9.30am followed activities in the Parish Hall/Church till 3.30pm. Christmas party invitations will be distributed at the Retreat. **To RSVP please contact the Parish Office on 59961985 or email [tina@stagathas.org.au](mailto:tina@stagathas.org.au)**

**CHOIR LEADERS MEETING:** Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

**VIGIL MASS FOR ALL SAINTS:** This special children's Mass, beginning with Rosary, will be celebrated on 31st October at 7.30pm for "All Hallows" – "Halloween", a day to honour all saints in heaven. Children are invited to come along dressed as their favourite Saint. Parents need to register their child/children at the parish office and get instructions, as we have special plans. Followed by a cuppa after Mass, please bring a plate to share after Mass in the foyer. All Welcome!

**ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS DAY:** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov at 9.30am & 7.30pm and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov at 9.30am, 12noon. We will need, Lectors, and Extra Ordinary Ministers & Altar Servers at all Masses on both days. If you are able to assist please place your name on the lists in the foyer.

**SHOEBOXES:** Thank you for your generosity by helping make a child happy with a "Operation Christmas Child, shoeboxes". We ask that all Shoeboxes **must be returned this weekend 19<sup>th</sup> & 20th October** or to the Parish Office on Monday after 1.00pm, together with **\$10** for postage and handling.

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES:** Will be issued next week to everyone in the Stewardship program together with a letter from Fr Joseph. To save on postage some Parishioners giving by Direct Debit or Credit Card, receipts will be emailed.

**ROSARY & BLESSING OF THE GRAVES** at Cranbourne Cemetery will take place on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 2.00pm.

**"GOD IS GLORIFIED WHEN MEN ARE FULLY ALIVE":** St Agatha's Parish is proud to present the inauguration group for ALL men 18+. We all go through the same troubles and joys so why not be a blessing to each other as men! November 16th -17th at St Agatha's Parish from 9.30am Mass, reflection, prayer, games, confession, talks, BBQ and smiles. Wives allow your husbands to also have fun too!! To register online go to <https://www.stagathas.org.au/news-and-events>

**BAPTISM PREPARATION TEAM MEETING:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

**MASS OF THE ANGELS:** For those who have lost a child in infancy, stillbirth or miscarriage. The Mass will be celebrated on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

**WELCOMER'S ROSTERS:** Have been emailed this week, copies are available from the table in the Church foyer.

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** We are in need of donations to purchase flowers each week for the church. If you would like to make a donation please place the money in an envelope marked "Flowers" in the second collection. We wish to thank those who regularly support this ministry with donations.



**THURSDAY EVENING MASS** focuses on a special intention of the week, praying for different needs within our families, parish and the wider community. Intentions for the month of October: **24<sup>th</sup> For all young couples/those wedded this year 31<sup>st</sup>** For those who celebrated their birthday in October

**ST. AGATHA'S PARISH FAMILY SOCIAL NIGHT:** Join us for a fun filled 'Cent Night'. 100's of prizes to be won! Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm, St Agatha's School Hall, Entry by gold coin donation. BYO nibbles and drinks. To book a table phone Parish Office on 5996 1985.



**CHILD SAFETY CORNER:** Bishop Patrick O'Regan has engaged CatholicCare to conduct a series of training sessions for the clergy, parish employees and **ALL volunteers** across the Diocese of Sale. Bishop Patrick O'Regan states: "Attendance at these sessions will ensure that all clergy, parish employees and volunteers grow in understanding of legislation and the practical implications underpinning child and vulnerable adult safety within organisations and institutions. .... It is my expectation that by April 2020 ..... all clergy, parish employees and volunteers will have attended a training session." **A training session for St Agatha's parish will be conducted on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 at 10.00am. Please mark this date on your diaries**

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** Volunteers are needed to help on the hamper preparation days which will be the Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> & Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec at St Peter's College from 9.00am to 4.00pm. If you can help please leave your name and phone number at the Piety Stall.

**DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY:** The raw responses for the conversation groups have all been collected they are available on the Diocesan website for you to read on what has been shared and discussed. <https://www.cdsale.org.au/>

**2019 FRIENDS OF SION GATHERING:** Friends of Sion Gathering will commence at 9.30am on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November with Mass in St Mary's Cathedral, Sale. This will be the penultimate gathering with the final event on Sunday 8 November 2020 celebrating 130 years of the arrival of the Sisters. If you would like to attend this year and have not received an invitation please contact CeCe Kingwill by emailing: [wjck@iinet.net.au](mailto:wjck@iinet.net.au) or Maureen McLeod on 0427 443 550.

**PALMS AUSTRALIA:** A profoundly rewarding Mission working in Education, Health & Trades? Assist to reduce poverty in overseas communities by sharing your skills. Mutual development assured! There are five places left on Palms Australia's January 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Orientation Course. You must apply now for a position beginning any time in 2020. Call or text 04224palms Mon-Fri [palms.org.au](http://palms.org.au)

**SHORT COURSE ON PREPARING AND CELEBRATING:** The sacraments of healing presented by the ACU. What do Catholics believe about sacraments of healing? How do Catholics celebrate reconciliation? How do Catholics care for the sick? Viaticum and Communion to the Sick. This one-day formation event, presented by Professor Clare Johnson, with Fr Joseph Abutu and Ms Sharon Boyd, is for pastoral care workers, clergy, hospital chaplains, lay ministers, parishioners and all those who care for the sick. Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 9.00am – 4.45pm with registration from 8.30 am). St Patrick's Parish, 142 Princes Hwy Pakenham (enter off O'Shannessy St) Registration Fee \$60pp (includes morning/afternoon tea, light lunch & handbook on Communion to the sick) Register by Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November [www.acu.edu.au/pastoral-formation-days](http://www.acu.edu.au/pastoral-formation-days)

**FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION:** Organized by Focus on the Family Australia. Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 7 to 9.30pm at Aspire Church, 37B/Unit 4 Fordholm Rd. Hampton Park. \$15 concession & students, \$22 Adults, \$60 family of 2 adults & 2 students. To book go to [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com)

**YOUTH CORNER ARE YOU IN YEAR 7 –YEAR 12?** Please note we will be hosting the next sausage sizzle on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Youth members are invited to attend the end of year break up on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November after the 10.45am Mass in the Parish Hall. Would you like to join our Junior Invigorate Youth Group for ages 12-14 or our Senior Invigorate Youth Group for ages 15-17? For more information please contact Sr Mary on 5996 1985.



**The Recently Deceased:** Donato Forlano, Phyllis Philomena Mayne, Soledad de Nava, Deirdre Rosevear

**Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time:** Dudley Mills, Dominica Ranatunga, Elizabeth, Arthur Salt, Mercedita Lopus, David Sadanandan, Frank Brassett, Bev Cresswell, Santo Mancuso, Linda Alforque, Clancy Carr, Viyona Pereira, Pasquale, Filomena, Ernesto & Anita Corsano Radovanovic, Antonio & Maria Fantela Corsano & Sheila Dobson, Doreen Hann, Thomas Williams & Karsh Danforth, Fr Peter Curran, Fr Patrick Sterling

**Those who are sick:** Arlette Lalouette, Giovanna Bellinvia, Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Felix Weinman, Warren, David Fernando, Lorenzo Gabriel, Leo Domantay, Ignazia Carcangio, Eugene D'Cruz, Glen Lippert, Yolanda Shedden, Olivia Newton John, Roger Paul, Patrick Adams.

*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 Secretaries 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*

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C: Ecc 35:12-14.16-19; 2 Tim 4:6-8,16-18; Lk 18:9-14

### PARISH ROSTERS

Sat Vigil	7.30am	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm	Sat Vigil	7.30am	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm
<b>Lectors – 19/20 October</b>					<b>Lectors – 26/27 October</b>				
S Crinall	P Condina	G Spierings	Youth Members	D Lutu	Children's Choir	Binnu V	Etherton M	Angela D'Mello	C James
<b>Extraordinary Ministers – 19/20 October</b>					<b>Extraordinary Ministers 26/27 October</b>				
Volunteer	L Jean Louis	Volunteer	T Felise	B Evans	N Carter	L Adikari	F Guimmarra	L Tyminski	L Booth
K Jolley	D Krella	T Marinelli	L Caballero	C Joseph	T Heldt	A Quintal	G Spierings	C Tyminski	R Lupeamanu
R Trevisan	M Soni	R Daly	M Auvale	S Ganesh	A Quintal	D Krella	G Nelson	M Gambin	E Abraham
T Heldt		M Nieuwesteeg	R Aljandro	R Weinman	Volunteer		P Joseph	Etherton	Y Prasetyo
P Hunt		H Speelmeyer	L Lucas	T Treacy	L Lim		A Malia Ulu	T Macharaga	S Labella
C D'Lima		A Malia Ulu	A Ortencio	J Connell	T de Pradines		L Ahsio	K Johnson	Volunteer
A Hughes		D Barker	R D'Mello	C James	K Jolley		G Raudino	A Antony	B Evans
<b>Mass Welcomers – 19/20 October</b>					<b>Mass Welcomers 26/27 October</b>				
T Jolley	R Macapagal	G Nelson	N Moore	M Maroney	B Harris	A & A Quintal	C Pocock	L & G Clark	Volunteer
R Estrada									
<b>Church Cleaners for the week 21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> October</b>					<b>Church cleaners for the week 4<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>				
Afaese Family					S Ah Sio L Ah Sio K Auvale				
<b>Church Counters 19/20<sup>th</sup> October:</b> M & M Gambin, L Lorenzin, T Abraham					<b>Church Counters 26/27<sup>th</sup> October:</b> C James, B Joseph, R D'Mello				
<b>Children's Liturgy 20<sup>th</sup> October:</b> S Lucas & A Mastroianni					<b>Children's Liturgy 27<sup>th</sup> October:</b> F Dickie, J George				

### 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: Leo 5995 6813  
**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Mon 10.30am Parish Hall Ph Jacinta 0426973026, Wed 7.30pm Providence. Ph: John 0448343074  
**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  
**INVIGORATE [Age 12-17] YOUTH GROUP:** Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday at 9.30am & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at 7.30pm in the Hall. Enq: Sr Mary 5996 1985  
**AGAPE [Age 18-35] YOUNG ADULT GROUP:** Meet 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 7.15pm – 9.00pm. Enquiries 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:** Tuesdays 9am-11am during school terms in St. Agatha's Hall. Contact Sr Victoria 5996 1985  
**FAMILY ROSARY GROUP:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month. Enquiries: Anita 5995 5545

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

*We extend a warm welcome to all visitors and newcomers to our Mass today. If you have recently moved into the parish or have not registered as a parishioner, we invite you to complete a new parishioner card and invite your join the stewardship program. The new parishioner cards are located on the stone pillar in the foyer next to the welcome table.*

**29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019**

**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**

Save us, Saviour ... ..

