



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

**YEAR OF
YOUTH
2018**

**32nd Sunday of the Year
Year B
11th November 2018**

ST. AGATHA'S PARISH INFORMATION

Church: 129 Sladen Street, Cranbourne

Presbytery: 131 Sladen Street

Parish Office: 1 Scott Street, PO Box 95,
Cranbourne 3977

Office Hours: Mon 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Tue to Fri 8.30am - 3.00pm

Office closed 12.30pm to 1.00pm

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Email: parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

Website: 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. Lucy Viashima

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Parish Child Safety Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ 5996 1985

Parish Secretaries: Susanne 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

West Campus - Navarre Drive Cranbourne West

East 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 & 7.30pm

Saturday: **10.00am**

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 1st 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: 1st Friday of the Month 9.30am

Holy Hour for the Unborn - 1st Friday of the Month
7.30pm-8.30pm in the Adoration Chapel.

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

Dear Parishioners, I wish to thank everyone for your prayers and well wishes on my 10th Anniversary of Ordination, especially those involved in making my day such a special occasion. So many of you attended the morning Mass to celebrate with me, followed by the wonderful morning tea. I was overwhelmed by your support and encouragement, please keep me in your prayers and once again Thank you and God bless you.

Thank you, all the parishioners who responded to my request, for donations to the new Monstrance for the Church. May God continue bless all of you for your support and generosity.

Please continue to pray for the students as they undertake their VCE Examination.

Morning Mass this Saturday will be celebrated with Bishop Patrick for the close of the year of the Youth at **10.00am**. The youth from across the diocese will be meeting at **St. Agatha's School hall** on Saturday 17th November from 8:30am-5:00pm for the closing of the Year of Youth. God bless you all, Fr Joseph.

WE WELCOME A CHILDREN OF GOD: Marco Go, child of Marc & Olive, Colt Brophy, child of Christopher & Lara and Harper Madigan, child of Michael & Mary.

FUNERAL: A Prayer service will be held for Tony Sweeney on Tuesday 13th November at 11.30am.

CHILD SAFETY CORNER: St Agatha's is fully committed to create a child-safe environment in our parish. Over recent weeks a couple of "strange" persons have been seen loitering around the church grounds in the vicinity of the church foyer and bell tower after school hours. In the interest of your children's safety, please ensure that they wait to be picked up only in designated safe areas within the school compound as the church grounds are not monitored.

MASS OF THE ANGELS: Voice for Life invites anyone who has suffered the loss of an infant or pre-born to join us for Mass, **this Friday 16th November at 7.30pm**. Followed by supper.

DURING NOVEMBER we especially remember our dearly departed friends and families. In remembrance, parishioners are invited to write the names of their deceased loved ones on the cardboard provided and place them on the cross near the statue of Our Lady.

NOVEMBER OFFERING ENVELOPES: Parishioners wishing to offer Masses for their family and friends can fill in the November Offering envelope, which you will have in your Stewardship Envelopes pack or you may collect from the foyer table. Envelopes can be placed on the Presbytery collection plate over the next couple of weeks. These Masses will be offered over the next 12 months.

SR LUCY FAREWELL: Sunday 25th November during the 10.45am Mass which will be followed by a cultural lunch at St Agatha's school hall. This will give parishioners the opportunity to say goodbye. Parishioners are asked to assist by bringing a plate to share. There are clipboards in the Church foyer to write your details including nationality and plate that you would like to bring to the celebration. Donations for Sr Lucy can be given at the Parish Office, as gifts are difficult to take home because of excess baggage. There will be a card in the foyer to sign next weekend.

ALTAR SERVERS: Christmas break up Friday 23rd November 5.00pm to 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Invitations will be emailed out.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE: Ever wanted to read the Bible but didn't know where to start? Tried to read it but got stuck or lost? Join us for an easy 8-week course to help you understand the most popular book of all time. In this course you will:

- Get to know the incredible story of God's plan
- Learn the basics of how to read and understand the Bible
- Develop a love for Scripture that changes your life

COST: \$25 (includes study guide & Bible Timeline chart) Begins Sunday 18th November at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall. Collect a schedule of dates and a registration form from the foyer. Enquiries contact the Parish Office on 5996 1985.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES: To save on postage costs please collect your envelope or your neighbours this weekend. Postage costs \$2 per envelope. There is a letter & statement for everyone in the Stewardship Program. We have emailed those giving by Credit Card or Direct Debit to those we have a current email address registered with the Parish Office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: End of year Mass Wednesday 21st November 4.00pm in the Church.

THURSDAY EVENING MASS focuses on a special intention of the week, praying for different needs within our families, parish and the wider community. **November 15th – For all young couples & those Wedded this year, 22nd – For members of SVDP & 29th – For all those born in November.**

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: Deacon Paul Hiep Van Nguyen will be ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Sale on Saturday 15th December at 11.00 am at St Mary's Cathedral Sale. All are most welcome to attend. We are also seeking singers for the Diocesan Choir for the Ordination. Please contact Sophy Morley to register your interest at smorley@sale.catholic.org.au or phone 03 5622 6677. **DIOCESAN CHOIR REHEARSALS:** 10.30 am Saturday 24th November at St Mary's Church, 52 Monash Rd, Newborough. 11.30 am Saturday 1st December at St Mary's Cathedral, Foster St Sale. We would like singers to come to one of these rehearsals as well as the final rehearsal at 9.30 am on the day of the Ordination. Singers will be sent music beforehand.

KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE URGENTLY WANTED: VOLUNTEER WORKERS – BALGO and LA GRANGE/ BIDYADANGA: The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. We are currently seeking volunteers for several parishes including Balgo, and La Grange/Bidyadanga and Warmun. **For further details on how to be a part of this unique experience, and an application form, please contact:** Volunteer Coordinator: Anneliese Rohr 08 9192 1060 Email: volunteers@broomedioocese.org Web: www.broomedioocese.org **PO Box 76, BROOME. WA 6725**

AUSTRALIAN NATIVITY SCENE: Monday, 10th Dec 2018 to Friday 11th Jan 2019. St Elizabeth's Parish, 107 Baker Rd, Dandenong North. Wilson Fernandez has been creating wonderful

YOUTH CORNER CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALE

CELEBRATES THE CLOSURE OF THE YEAR OF THE YOUTH:

"The LAMP ABLAZE": You are invited to join "The L.A.M.P. ABLAZE" event on November 17th from 8:30am-5:00pm to mark the end of The Year of Youth and to celebrate the amazing journey of The L.A.M.P. in its first year. With the great support of the priests of the 5 parishes and the encouragement from our lovely Bishop Pat this event and our future events invites & welcomes the young minds and hearts across all the parishes of the SALE Diocese! We are excited to present you this day that brings in a variety of inspiring guest speakers from different walks of life. You can also be assured of a lot of fun, games and laughter along with soul-stirring time spent in praise & worship, reconciliation, adoration and much more this day surely lives up to its theme and promises to set the fire ablaze. So make sure you join us and the hundreds of other youth coming together from all across the SALE Diocese to shine The L.A.M.P.! Food will be provided! Registration is all online via laptop and PC access as website is still not yet mobile phone friendly. This registration form will cover everything as well as allergies and dietary requirements. <https://thelampwrsale.wixsite.com/home> \$5 registration fee for each child and those who are not able to pay the fee your Parish will cover you. **Please note a venue change, Mass and all activities will be held at St Agatha's Church & St Agatha's School Hall.**

Invigorate Youth Group: Our youth groups meet every 2nd Saturday and 4th Friday of the month. For enquiries contact Tavonga on 0488 683 256. If you are over 18 years of age you will be required to hold a Working with Children Card and sign a Parish Code of Conduct.

display and is regarded as one of Australia's best nativity. This event is open to everyone—children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Cost: Free Viewing: After mass times and any other time by appointments only. Contact Wilson on 0428 927 110 or St Elizabeth's parish office 9795 6217 www.australiannativityscene.org/ www.facebook.com/AustralianNativityScene/