

St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

33rd Sunday of the Year Year B 18th November 2018

ST. AGATHA'S PARISH INFORMATION

YEAR OF

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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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 5996 1985

Parish Child Safety Officers: Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ 5996 1985

> 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 25996 7525 Principal: Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

St Peter's Secondary College

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 & 11.30am Funeral

 Wednesday:
 8.00am & 4.00pm

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

Saturdays 9.50am

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, we welcome and thank Bishop Patrick for celebrating Mass for the closure of 'The Year of Youth' in our Diocese. A big Thank you to all the helpers involved in organising and setting up for The L.A.M.P ABLAZE celebrations.

Congratulations to the 3 seminarians Jithin Anto, Confidence Masvosva, Paul Zahar, for their admission into the candidacy for the Holy Orders.

At the 10.45am Mass next Sunday we will be farewelling Sr Lucy, I invite parishioners to come next Sunday followed by a multicultural lunch in the school hall where parishioners will have the opportunity to say goodbye to Sr Lucy. God bless you all, Fr Joseph.

WE WELCOME A CHILDREN OF GOD: Ellie Mason, child of Luke & Emma, Eli Wisniewski, child of Norbert & Shari, Celeste Roussety, child of Armand & Virginie, Ryley Abeyegunawardene, child of Marlon & Deepali & Nealah De Silva, child of Shehan & Nanayakkara.

FUNERAL MASS for Iulia Poloie will be celebrated this Tuesday at 11.30am.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Please note Mass on Wednesday morning will be celebrated at **8.00am.** Mass will be celebrated at 4.00pm on Wednesday afternoon for the children & their families in the RE Classes.

RCIA RITES OF ACCEPTANCE: Again, this Sunday at the 9.00am Mass a few of our RCIA participants, 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! Congratulations to the Catechumens and Candidates who made their declaration at Mass last weekend.

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. We are in need of volunteers to help set up the school hall on Saturday 23rd between 11.00am & 1.00pm. Donations for Sr Lucy can be given at the Parish Office, as gifts are difficult to take home because of excess baggage. Parishioners are invited to sign the card in the foyer.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Meeting this Tuesday 20th November at 7.30pm.



ADVENT PROGRAM: Advent is observed as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas. Advent, "COMING" a holy, four-week countdown to Jesus' birthday. Get ready to make room for Christ. 26th Nevember 3rd 10th 17th December in Providence

Meeting Mondays 26th November, 3^{rd,} 10th, 17th December in Providence House from 7:30pm.-9:00pm. Contact Ruth on 0477 800 161. Any inquiries for day time Advent program contact Ruth.

HOLY LAND OLIVE WOOD CHRISTMAS DISPLAY: Christmas and Religious items will be available for purchase after this weekend Masses on the 8th & 9th December.

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.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY would like to invite parishioners to donate to our toy drive. We are collecting toys for children up to 14 years of age, for girls or boys. Please do not wrap the gifts as we give parents the opportunity to choose something their child would like. Please leave the toys in the black boxes on either side of the sanctuary along with the donated non-perishable food items.

Volunteers are needed to help on the hamper preparation days which will be the Thurs 20th & Fri 21/12/18 at St Peter's College. If you can help please leave your name and phone number at the Piety Stall. The Piety Stall now has a lovely range of Nativity Sets in various sizes and designs, also Columban Calendars, Christmas cards and many other Christmas gift ideas plus all the usual items for sale at reasonable prices. Come and have a look. Lay-by is available.

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.



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

A Netflix for Catholics, free for all parishioners! Collect a flyer, from the foyer, on how to join and logon with the parish code. **2QKKNB**

'Pick of the week': Ode to St Cecilia

https://formed.org/listen/5a4d10a7360bc1160000c701?event_id=fff0 99e7-18b3-4673-9200-7a36eb4d550b&event_type=SEARCH

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.



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

ALTAR SERVERS: Christmas break up this Friday 23rd November 5.00pm to 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Altar Servers if you did not receive an invitation please contact the parish office ASAP.

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 tonight 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 this Wednesday 21st November 4.00pm in the Church.

VOICE FOR LIFE: We ask all parishioners to join us in prayer for our State election. In Victoria we have the worst abortion laws, our Government does not support life, it is under attack at beginning and end as is family. Please pray a Novena with us beginning on Thursday 15th to the 24th. Novena leaflets are available in the foyer, you can pray with us in your own time. PLEASE join this time of prayer.

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 <u>smorley@sale.catholic.org.au</u> or phone 03 5622 6677.

CRANBOURNE & DISTRICT COMBINED CHURCHES PRAYER GATHERING: Now it the time to unite, lets and pray for our leaders & community this Thursday 22nd Nov at 7.30pm Turning Point Church, 1785 Sth. Gippsland Hwy, Cranbourne. Contact PS. Norma 0413 114 711.

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 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 times after masses, other times by appointments only. www.australiannativityscene.org/

www.facebook.com/AustralianNativityScene/ Contact Wilson on 0428 927 110 or St Elizabeth's parish 9795 6217

YOUTH CORNER: 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.

Recently Deceased Mass Times & Intentions, Recent Deaths, Anniversaries Feasts Saturday 6.00pm-- Brian Croagh [Anniv] & Sunil Perera [Rec Dec B'day Remb] Tony Sweeney Iulia Poloie 7.30am-- Thresiamma Joseph [Anniv] Sunday Freddy Manuel 9.00am-- Giuseppe & Francesca Marchese & Lucia Concetto Di Pietro [Remb] & Peggy Quirke [Anniv] Sunil Perera Sunday 10.45am-- Iulia Poloie [Rec Dec] Anniversaries: 6.00pm-- Jacob Stephen [3rd Anniv] & Severina Yaquit [Anniv] Pearl Wickremasinghe Weekday Masses Tonel Bevera, Brian Croagh Monday 9.30am-- Tonel Bevera [Birthday] & Xavier Rebelo [Anniv] & George Giummarra [Remb] Xavier Rebelo, Peggy Quirke 9.30am-- Fr Rebelo, Sr Claude, Sr Clare, Bishop James [Remb] Tuesday George Guimmarra Wednesday 8.00am -- For the People of the Parish Thresiamma Joseph 4.00pm-- For the Souls in Purgatory The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jacob Stephen, Severina Yaquit Thursday 9.30am-- For the Soul of Elizabeth & Irene & Simon Paldano [Remb] St Cecilia 7.30pm-- Thanksgiving [Bill, Cynthia & Family] Friday 9.30am-- For Vanessa 9.30am-- For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life Sts Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions Saturday [Please contact the parish office to arrange a Mass you would like offered for your intentions] Sick List: Fr Bernard Buckley, Gerald Haynes, Giovanna Santomaggio, Leo Domantay, Roger Paul, Eustace Lewis, Sr Diane Cleveland, Felix Weinman, Pearl Roussiyan, Fallon Weinman, Josie Blows, Terry Devonport, Janet Elliott, Rosaria Preca With respect for the privacy of the person who is ill, we can only accept requests from the ill person or their immediate family.

Rosters for Ministries

Loved ones praved for on the sick list will remain on the list for one month, unless advised otherwise.

17-18 November 2018: Lectors: **Extraordinary Ministers:** Welcomers: 6.00pm: D Hughes R Trevisan, C D'Lima, N Carter, S Joseph, T Heldt, A Quintal, R Weinman R Estrada, M van Gunster 7.30am: R Crozier R Crozier, D Krella K Martini 9.00am: E Mandizvidza G Nelson, S Borsodi, T Nyerenyere, P Joseph, J Seeborun, L Ahsio, L Lim L Nasalio, L Samuelu 10.45am: Youth Member R D'Mello, R D'Mello, T Lupeamanu, E Abraham, C Besterwitch, T Macharaga, K Johnson, T de Pradines M Iverach 6.00pm: C James R Alejandro, T Hummel, Y Prasetyo, B Evans, C Joseph, S Joseph, T Treacy M Maroney Church Cleaners for the week 19th – 24th Nov: S Jean Louis, D Krella, M Magkase Counters: A Antony, S Bamford, D Green Children's Liturgy: P Lucas, A Mastroianni 24-25 November 2018: Lectors: **Extraordinary Ministers:** Welcomers: 6.00pm: Children's Choir K Jolley, P Hunt, M Cincotta, A Hughes, C D'Lima, N Carter, S Joseph B Harris, E Hill 7.30am: D Abraham L & S Jean Louis, Volunteers L Adikari 9.00am: P Joseph G Raudino, R Spierings, T Dam, M & A Dam, Y Shedden, T Marinelli G Nelson, Y Shedden 10.45am: D Abraham L & G Clark, E Mandizvidza, K Ham, A Antony, R Beloso, M Robinson, R Weinman P & O Schreurs 6.00pm: E Abraham T Nyerenyere, C James, L Booth, R Lupeamanu, E Abraham, V Prasetyo, J Seeborun G Taylor Church Cleaners for the week 1st Dec: Divine Mercy Group Counters: R David, B Joseph, Children's Liturgy: T Christopher, B D'Costa Dan 7:13-14; **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:** Apoc 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37

GROUPS & MEETINGS

RCIA: [For Adults interested in becoming Catholic] Enguiries: Tina 5996 1985. RCIC: For children aged 4 years and above preparing for Baptism. Sr Mary 5996 1985. CATECHETICS [R.E.] CLASSES: Each Wed at 4pm in the Hall during School Terms. Enguiries: Sr. Lucy 5996 1985 ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP: Every fortnightly on Thursdays at 10am in the Church Meeting Room. Eng: Teresa Marinelli 5996 1845 AFRICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY: 1st Sunday of the Month after 10.45am Mass in the Hall. Eng: Sisters THE BRIGADIERS OF LOURDES: 2nd Saturday of the Month 2.30pm-4pm. Eng: 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. Eng: Leo 5995 6813 CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Mon 1.15pm in the Hall Eng: Peter 5998 1554 and Wed 7.30pm in the Hall. Eng: John 0448 343 074 PARISH CELLS COMMUNITY: For further information contact Parish Office. SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hr by appointment only. Eng: Ruth 0477 800 161 INVIGORATE [Age12-17] YOUTH GROUP: Meet 2nd Saturday at 9.30am & 4th Friday at 7.30pm in the Hall. Enguiries: Sr Mary 5996 1985 AGAPE [Age 18-35] YOUNG ADULT GROUP: Meet 1st & 2nd Sunday 7.15pm - 9.00pm. Enquiries Sr. Mary 5996 1985 VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP: Enguiries: Maria Nieuwesteeg 0409 563 864 or email 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: 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 Sr. Faustina 5996 1985 NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: For appointments please contact the Sale Diocese Billings Teacher Patsy Heffernan on 5622 1188 PLAYGROUP: Tuesdays 9am-11am during school terms in St. Agatha's Hall. Enquiries: Sr. Faustina 5996 1985 FAMILY ROSARY GROUP: 3rd Friday of the Month. Enquiries: Anita 5995 5545

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and much more! Simply search for St Agathas and d	lownload the APP t	to your mobile	device.			

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.

33RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 18TH NOVEMBER 2018

FIRST READING

Daniel 12:1-13

"At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity."

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. *R*.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. *R*.

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. *R*.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10: 11-14.18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

"Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us Saviour

"And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory." MARK 13:26



We will all have that day when we are standing before God and our life is played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, "What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?" How will you respond?