



ST. AGATHA'S CHURCH CRANBOURNE



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

PALM SUNDAY
Year A
2ND April 2023



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]

☎ **5996 1985** Fax: **5996 1992**

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 Joseph Abutu

Assistant Priest: Rev. Fr Stanly Devasia

Sisters of the Nativity: Sr. Mary Olofu,

Sr. Faustina Ede & Sr. Victoria Orinya

Sr. Julie Ogbole [St Thomas the Apostle Parish]

Parish Safeguarding Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ **5996 1985**

Email: cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au

Parish Secretary: Mrs Tina Dam

Assistant Secretary: Mrs Nona Tusitala

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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 & Live Streamed

Monday: 9:30am - In the Church & Live Streamed

Tuesday No Mass - Tenebrae 7.00pm

Wednesday: 9:30am - In the Church & Live Streamed

Thursday: See Easter Timetable

Friday:

Saturday:

Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: No Reconciliation

Saturday: No Reconciliation

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 Saturday: 8.00am - 9.00am followed by

Divine Office: Morning prayer 9.00am - 9.15am

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

7.30pm-8.30pm

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.

Dear Parishioners, We Congratulate all the Children and their families who made their First Reconciliation this week.

On the 23rd March Bishop Greg Bennet received a further appointment as a member of the Dicastery for the Clergy for Holiness, Pope Francis. The announcement can be read at <https://tinyurl.com/yckxpdjs>

I wish to thank everyone who has supported our parish Youths endeavours to raise funds to travel to WYD so far. We thank you for your continued prayers and generosity.

This Tuesday 4th April 2023 all the Clergy of the Diocese will join with Bishop Greg at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sale, for the Chrism Mass at 11.00am, as he blesses the three Holy Oils (the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Holy Chrism) which parishes will use for the celebration of the Sacraments. Our clergy will also renew their commitment to their ministry for the Church. All are welcome. **There will be no Morning Mass in the Church this Tuesday.**

The Hours of Grace went very well during the week, we pray for continued blessings. Thank you to everyone for your participation.

We are in need of volunteers to help with preparing for the Easter celebrations, this Wednesday and Thursday morning and after 3.00pm at the school hall if you are able to assist, please contact Sr Victoria or the parish office.

I urge all Parishioners to make every effort to participate in the Tenebrae Ceremony this **Tuesday 4th April at 7.00pm**. There will be no extra opportunity for Reconciliation as Holy Week will be an extremely busy time.

Please encourage your friends and family members to join us as we journey through this most Holy Week of our year. To help cope with every increasing number of people who join us for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. There will be 3 locations for people to gather the Church, Parish Hall and St Agatha's school hall on Holy Thursday, Good Friday the Church and Holy Saturday, **Easter Vigil at 7.00pm** there will be 2 locations for people to gather: The Church and the Parish Hall. All 3 locations will be linked by live audio and video.

[May God bless you, Fr Joseph.](#)

GOOD FRIDAY is a day of Fast & Abstinence. Catholics who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are obliged to Fast. In addition, all Catholics who have completed their 14th year are obliged to Abstain from meat. The Paschal Precept requires that each of the faithful receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is done between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

ROSTERS FOR PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL NARRATORS:

6.00pm: R Sutherland, D.Hughes S Navin

7.30am: T Heldt, R Beloso, R Trevisan

9.00am: G Nelson, S Laufou, P Joseph

10.45am: N Atulia, R D'Mello, E Lupeamanu

6.00pm: J MacDonald, Y Prasetyo, R Gimeno

HOLY THURSDAY MASS 6TH APRIL:

LECTOR: S Crinall **NARRATOR:** A Ortencio

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS: M Nieuwesteeg, A Simmons, C Pereira, T Dam, E Abraham, A Dam

GOOD FRIDAY 7TH APRIL:

LECTORS: Youth

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: R D'Mello, R D'Mello, D Hughes, T Nyerenyere, L Joseph, D Barker, P Schreurs

EASTER VIGIL 8TH APRIL: LECTORS: 1st M Thomas, 2nd D Abraham, 3rd M Lutu, 4th B Vechoorettu, 5th R Alejandro

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: K Johnson, L Gillespie, C Beloso, C Joseph, L Caballero, J Raudino, L Jean Louis

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: The Parish Office will be closed after Easter from Monday to Wednesday, reopening again on Thursday 13th April from 8.30am to 3.00pm.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA will be prayed each day, beginning Good Friday after the Solemn Commemoration, and continuing at 5.00pm each day in the Church until Saturday 15th April. All Welcome!

Netflix for Catholics, free for all parishioners!

Go to our parish website at

<https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-formed-gift-subscription.html>

on how to join and logon with the parish code: 2QKKNB

Every week - Formed highlight different content.

This week: The Spirit and the Eucharist

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-spirit-and-the-eucharist>

FORMED

WYD DINNER DANCE PHOTOS will be available to view online shortly. If you have an objection to your photo being displayed, please contact the parish office on 5996 1985.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE MEETING will be held on Monday 17th April at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Will be taken up at Mass on Holy Thursday for the needy in our parish and Good Friday Service for Holy Places.

WYD FUNDRAISING DANCE: Due to popular demand St Agatha's will be hosting a second fundraising dance on the 1st July 2023 at 6.30pm St Peter's College Hall. Please mark this date in your diary, ticket on sale soon. We appreciate and thank you for your continued support.

PLAYGROUP: No playgroup during school holidays, resuming next term. We thank the families that have come along to Playgroup this term.

PROJECT COMPASSION: Project Compassion boxes can be returned on Good Friday. \$2 or more are tax deductible.

ST. AGATHA'S - HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE

Tenebrae Tuesday 4th April 7.00pm

Wednesday 5th April Mass 9.30am

Holy Thursday 6th April No morning Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight in the Parish Hall

Good Friday 7th April No Morning Mass

Morning Prayer 9.30am

Stations of the Cross 10.30am [School Oval]

Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm: Church, School Hall & Parish Hall

Holy Saturday 8th April No morning Mass, Holy Hour or Reconciliation
Easter Vigil 7.00pm [Candles will be supplied by Parish]

Easter Sunday 9th April

Mass 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am & 6.00pm

Divine Mercy Sunday 16th April - 10.45am Mass

BIBLE STUDIES Matthew: The King and His Kingdom is a Catholic Bible study that brings the history of Christ to life through Matthew's Gospel. You will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven. Mid-May 2023 at 5.00pm to 6.00pm. For more information or to register contact the parish office on 5996 1985 or email parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

WYD 2023 FUNDRAISER: If you would like to make a donation, please contact the Parish Office or a QR code has been created for your convenience. The iPad stand is ready to make donations via CDFpay in the Church foyer.

COME AND SEE: BISHOP GREG INVITES YOUNG MEN (+18YRS) of our Parishes of the Diocese of Sale to come to St Mary's Cathedral on Good Shepherd Sunday, April 30th, 2.30pm – 4pm, especially those who may have a call from God to life as a priest, or to simply meet Bishop Greg and other priests. It will be an opportunity to meet those living the priestly life, to pray with them and ask questions.

CHURCH FLOWERS DONATIONS: If you would like to make a donation towards Church flowers, please place the money in an envelope marked "Flowers" Thank you.

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE: Sign up for one of 18 short, online sessions. Engaging Your Faith – May 2023. Theology, Vatican II, Scripture, Spirituality, Science & Faith. Choose what interests you from \$25 per session. For more information and to register:

www.ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

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 Officers are Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin who can be contacted 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.