



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



PENTECOST SUNDAY
Year A
24th May 2026

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 Ajin Albarnas

Sisters of the Nativity: Sr. Faustina Ede &
Sr. Victoria Orinya

Parish Secretary: Mrs Tina Dam

Assistant Secretary: 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

Acting Principal: Mr David Hansen

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

Thursday: No Morning Mass, 7.00pm

Friday: 9.30am & 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: 5.00pm to 10.00pm, Tuesday to Saturday: 6am to 10pm.

Entry via FOB, obtained via the parish office

First Saturday Mass at 9.30am

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Friday Mass 7.00pm Healing Mass followed by

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

Baptisms following the 10.45am Mass. By appointment.

Baptism Information Session held on 1st Sunday of every month,
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.

PARISH NEWS

PENTECOST SUNDAY REFLECTION

Dear Parishioners, today the Church celebrates the feast of Pentecost which literally means 50th. It is a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the Passover feast by the Jews and a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the feast of the Resurrection of Jesus by the Christians. Up to the 50 fiftieth day, the apostle had been very pious and fearful. They were seen in the temple every day, praising the Lord, sharing the stories and breaking the bread. But without that spirit in them, nothing much happened. Jerusalem did not notice them. It was only at the moment the Spirit descended on them that they and everything else started to change. They caught fire, divine fire; they went off to preach, to heal, to prophesy and to change the world. That is what they did after having been changed. What do we do after the celebration of Pentecost? Pentecost Sunday is the last day of Easter Season. Tomorrow, we continue with the Ordinary Time, Week Eighth.

Our Lady Help of Christians – Solemnity, 25 May

On Monday, 25 May, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians, the Patroness of Australia. We entrust our families, parish, and nation to the loving care and protection of our Blessed Mother. Happy Feast Day to all parishioners. May Our Lady Help of Christians continue to guide and bless us always.

Conclusion of the Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary – 31 May

As in previous years, we wish to conclude the Month of May devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary with a Rosary procession outside the church on Sunday, 31 May, at 5.00 pm, followed by Holy Mass at 6.00 pm. The Rosary Group, Divine Kids, and the Legion of Mary will organise the celebration. All are most welcome to join this special occasion.

Welcomers / Ushers Ministry Invitation

Our parish is beginning a new **Welcomers (Ushers) Ministry** for the weekend Masses. We warmly invite parishioners who would like to serve the community by welcoming people and helping create a friendly and prayerful atmosphere in our church. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, please attend an information meeting on: **Thursday, 4th June at 7.00 pm at Parish Hall** New volunteers are most welcome. Come and be part of this beautiful ministry of hospitality and service in our parish community.

Youth Lectors – Weekend Mass Roster Invitation

All youth and teenagers who have been commissioned as Lectors are warmly encouraged to contact the Parish Office to include your names in the Weekend/ Weekday Mass Rosters according to your availability and convenience. In the past, this ministry for our young parishioners was mainly limited to the Youth Mass. We are now happy to open this opportunity to all Weekend Masses, allowing our youth to participate more actively in the liturgical life of the parish. We encourage our young people to use their gifts and talents in serving God and the parish community through this important ministry of proclaiming the Word of God. Please contact the Parish Office at your earliest convenience.

Fr Antony

PLEASE NOTE no Mass this Thursday morning at 9.30am, Mass will be celebrated at 7.00pm Thursday evening.

The 2026 NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE (Mass Count) will take place over four weekends in May 2026. This exercise is always undertaken in the same year as the National Census is conducted. This weekend counting age groups.

WE WELCOME AS A CHILD OF GOD: Sonny McDonald, child of Ned & Ebony.

CUPPA FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: JUNE cuppa after 10.45am Mass on the First Sunday of the month will be hosted by Divine Mercy Group.

RCIA INQUIRY NIGHT 2026: An inquiry night will be held for those who may be considering becoming Catholic or for Adult Baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation on Wednesday 3rd June 2026 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 5996 1985.

TRINITY FAMILIES APPEAL – 2026 SPECIAL COLLECTION: **Special collection taken up at all Masses this weekend 23rd & 24th May.** Trinity Families has been a beacon of hope in our region, providing over \$2 million in funding to charities that support families facing hardship. Bishop Greg urges everyone to support this year's Trinity Families Appeal, emphasizing that this is our own charitable trust—locally based and dedicated to addressing the unique needs of families in Greater Gippsland. Let us help spread hope in our community. Please give generously.

AWAKE: Healing & Deliverance Service: Praise and Worship, healing Mass and Adoration. Led by Fr Soji Olikkal, Director of Sehion Retreat Centre, Holy Spirit Missionaries. St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne 2nd to 4th June every evening from 6.00pm to 9.00pm.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING: Parents are invited to attend this meeting for the first ½ hour for an information session.

A training session will be held on Wednesday 24th June from 6.00pm to 7.30pm for all existing Altar servers and all those interested in becoming an Altar Server.

STEWARDSHIP STATEMENTS & ENVELOPES TO SAVE ON POSTAGE. Please collect your stewardship envelope and letter from Fr Antony from the table in the foyer. Envelopes are filed in surname alphabetical order.

JUNIOR RCIA: For older children who have not completed their Sacraments. Classes begin Saturday 6th June 2026 until Easter 2027. Meet at 4.00pm, parish hall. For more info contact Sr Victoria on 5996 1985.

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.

HOLY SPIRIT HOUR: All parishioners are invited to spend an hour with the Holy Spirit, to be held twice monthly every 2nd and 3rd Thursday (except school holidays).

BYRYANI AND BUTTER CHICKEN SALE TO SUPPORT YOUTH: After Saturday 23rd May 6.00pm and Sunday 24th May 10.45am Mass

FUNDRAISING: My Big Adventure, story book by Lorie Cotacte a parishioner of St Agatha's. A comforting story for children, parents, and teachers to share, reminding little hearts: "You are perfectly made, and Jesus delights in you! \$13 proceeds of the book will be donated to the parish and Caritas. Contact Parish office.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Pray for Persecuted Christians in Nigeria. Christians in Nigeria continue to suffer greatly for their faith, yet many persevere with deep trust in Christ and devotion to Our Lady. *Aid to the Church in Need* invites you to join with John, a Catholic farmer in Nigeria, in praying a decade of the Rosary this week for persecuted Christians and all who suffer for their faith. **Watch John's moving testimony and download a free Red Rosary Prayer Card** to unite your prayers with the suffering Church throughout the world. Visit www.rebrand.ly/RedRosary26

FRESH FIRE FALL: Hosted by CCR Sale Diocese in conjunction with Charis Australia. Mass, Praise, Worship & Talk. St Ita's Drouin, 30th May 2026 10.30am to 3.30pm. For information contact Lindsay 0432 375 391. Bring a plate to share.

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. **SAFEGUARDING WWCC & NEW DIOCESAN PARISH CODE OF CONDUCT:** All parish volunteers are required by the Safeguarding Standards to have a Working with Children Check, and to sign the new Parish Code of Conduct. This is mandatory for all volunteers <https://www.slagathas.org.au/safety.html> 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: Kerralie Fradley, Margie Guise, Pablo Gines, Artemezia Fernades

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Rhonda Kleynjans, Meena D'Silva, Syril LecLuse, Florita & Jesus Briones, Theresita Bantiling, Otelia & Hubert Concesso, Hedley Weisshardt, Giovanni & Giuseppa Procida, Albert MacFarlaine, Stephen & Maxy D'Souza, Isabel Jimena, Douglas Phillips, Puliyanath family, Victor Satalich, Jonas Ulkis 1st, Felix Weinman, Ashley Chatelier, Blessy, Gino Raffa, Maria Das, Anthony Roberts, Agnes Burrows, Kartheydathu family, Thacharacttil family, David Wookey, Ferdinand Payet, PC Chacko, PU Kuruvilla, Fr William Ryan, Dean Edward Coleman VG, Fr Peter Kilduff, Fr Henry Bradbee, Bishop James Corbett, Fr Jim McGuigan

Those who are sick: Jacinta O'Neal, Myrtle Whiteman, Gerard MacFarlaine, Kellie Monson, Lyndell Adikari

*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 - The Most Holy Trinity Ex 34:4-6,8-9: 2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18

23 rd & 24 th May	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	Children's Choir	A Hughes, R Trevisan, L Lim, R Sutherland, M Parrocho
7.30am	H De Costa	C & R Beloso
9.00am	R Gimeno	A Dam, K Auvale, C Noronha, S Spaul, T Dam, Volunteer, M Gambin
10.45am	P Schreurs	T Nyerenyere, S Lucas, N Atulia, L Caballero, T Lupeamanu, MG Sombilon, L Sombilon
6.00pm	L Piedad	E Clinch, J MacDonald
CHURCH COUNTERS		L Noronha, T Trevisan, Z Zavarko

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

30 th & 31 st May	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	R Trevisan	A Hughes, L Lim, C D'Lima, R Clarke, K Parrocho
7.30am	P Joseph	C Beloso, R Beloso
9.00am	R Gimeno	Volunteer, K Auvale, C Noronha, S Spaul, M Dam, M Gambin, Volunteer
10.45am	M Thomas	T Nyerenyere, S Lucas, N Atulia, L Caballero, T Lupeamanu, Volunteer, I Lemalu
6.00pm	T M Ancajas	E Clinch, J MacDonald
CHURCH COUNTERS		P & R Afaese, M Vechooretu

ST. AGATHA'S YOUTH GROUPS: YOUTH CORNER STAY (ST. Agatha's Youth), invites all young people ages 12-30 to attend our sessions throughout May! We cannot wait to get to know every young person in our parish! For any enquiries, please get in touch with the Parish Office!

Follow us on
Instagram! @stagathasyouthcranbourne

MAY DATES
St. Agatha's Parish Hall
Invictus Lasertag (Ages 18 - 30), Fri 22nd May 7:30pm
\$30 for 3 x 10 minute sessions
Le Mans, Dandenong
Limited to 22 participants, RSVP Megan ASAP

GROUPS & MEETINGS

RCIA: [For Adults interested in becoming Catholic] Enquiries Parish Office: 5996 1985
RCIC: For children aged 4 years and above preparing for Baptism. Sr Victoria 5996 1985
MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN: Mon 6:30pm Parish Hall during school terms.
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: Tuna Fuimaono 0499 333 996
SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Enq: Ruth 0494 047 927
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; Meeting 6.00pm
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
HOLY SPIRIT HOUR: Meeting 2nd & 3rd Thursday of the month 7.30pm to 8.30pm Enquiries: Charles & Beth Fivaz

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

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>

PENTECOST SUNDAY, 24th May 2026

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the Apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. R.

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are. How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different

ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread... ..

