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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:
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Mass Times
Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am, & 6.00pm
Weekday Mass Times
Monday: 9.30am
Tuesday: 9.30am St Agatha’s Whole School & 12 noon Funeral
Wednesday: 9.30am & 12 noon St Therese’s Whole School
Thursday: 9.30am & 7.30pm
Friday: 9.30am & Reconciliation/Confession
Saturday: 9.30am 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
1st 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
We warmly welcome Fr. Joseph back from Nigeria!

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE** our Parish Feast Day as we honour St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr, during the 10.45am Mass followed by a procession of the St. Agatha statue from the Church to the school hall. St. Agatha pray for us!

**MASS TIMES:** Please note on Tuesday at 9.30am Mass will be a whole school Mass for St Agatha’s School and on Wednesday at 12noon will be a whole school Mass for St. Therese’s School in the Church.

**FUNERAL MASS** for Graham Clifford will be held this Tuesday at 12 noon in the Church, viewing at 11.30am.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION:** Information Session and Parent Workshop: **this Wednesday 6th February** at 7.00pm or Wednesday 13th February at 7.00pm at St Agatha’s School Hall. Parents need to attend only one session (no need to bring your child). Enquiries: Sr Mary.

**JUNIOR RCIA:** Classes will resume today after 9.00am Mass.

**RE CLASSES:** Do you have children who attend Government Schools Grades 1-6? If so you may wish to enrol them for the Catechetical Programme which is held on Wednesday’s during school terms 4pm to 5pm in the hall. Please note new enrolments for 2019 will make their sacraments in 2020. Please collect enrolment forms from the parish office. Classes resume on Wednesday 6th February at 4.00pm. For enquiries contact Sr Faustina on 5996 1985.

**RCIA:** Meetings will resume this Wednesday 6th February at 7.30pm in Providence House.

**CHOIR LEADERS MEETING** this Thursday 7th February at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Meeting on Tuesday 19th February at 7.30pm.

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:** Meeting on Thursday 21st February at 7.30pm.

**CAR RAFFLE:** CAR RAFFLE: 3 new KIA cars to be won & 11 Coles/Myer gift cards on offer in this amazing raffle. Tickets on sale at the Parish Feast Day & after all Masses this weekend. Tickets $2.00 each or $20 a book. Vic permit 10699/18. Drawn on 4th May 2019. **If you would like to help sell tickets please contact the Parish Office ASAP on 5996 1985.**

**PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY:** Parishioners can start returning their blessed palms/ greenery from last year’s Palm Sunday, so they can be burnt and will be used for Ash Wednesday.

**LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER ROSTERS** are being compiled if you wish to change your Mass preference times please inform the Parish Office ASAP.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** CHANGE OF MEETING TIME

The Monday Charismatic Prayer Meeting has changed from afternoon to morning meetings. We will meet from 10.30 am (after Mass) until 12.00 noon, starting Monday 4th February 2019. All welcome!

**THE TALK - A SIX WEEK PROGRAM FOR PARENTS:** Due to lack of registrations this program has been cancelled. We will be offering the program again from 25th July – 29th August. Enq: Maria 0409 563 864.

**THURSDAY EVENING MASS** focuses on a special intention of the week, praying for different needs within our families, parish and the wider community. **February: 7th For Expectant Mothers, 14th For couples praying for a child 21st Employment or Job opportunities & 28th For those who celebrated their birthday in February.

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:** Parishioners are invited to attend one of the following sessions **Friday 22nd February @ 7:30pm** or **Saturday 23rd February @ 11:00 am.** This is an important part of the process because every voice counts and every view makes a difference. Group leaders please invite your group members to attend one of these sessions to share their input. It is our responsibility as parish leaders to bring our groups and communities together on what the whole of Australia is moving towards - The Plenary Council. To register your attendance please go to https://www.trybooking.com/ZUQJ or sign up on the sheet in the foyer. If your group would like to meet as a group on a specific date, please inform the Parish Office and one of the Plenary Council Animators will get in touch with you. Please keep the Plenary Council and the Parish Animation Team in your prayers and LISTEN to what the Spirit is saying.

**DANDENONG TUTORING PROGRAM** provides maths, literacy, homework and social support to students in grades 3-12 from migrant, refugee and socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds. We are looking for energetic people willing to assist as tutors for the program on Saturday mornings (9.30am-12.30pm) during school terms. You don’t have to have tutoring experience to join us, just a willingness to come regularly and assist our students towards reaching their potential! Our next new tutor induction day is **Saturday 6th February 2016 at 10.30am.** For more information, contact Patricia on 0448 363 359.

**EMMAUS SPIRITUALITY CENTRE:** The first ‘Four Seasons - Summer’ prayer session for the year is on Thursday 14th February at Newborough from 1.00-3.00 pm. At this session participants will be invited to reflect on their personal inner journey during the season of summer. How do I relate to the God of creation during the season of summer? Please contact Theresa Denny on 0477 474 848 for more information.

**YOUTH CORNER:** Welcome to 2019, a year of putting God first through faith in Jesus Christ. To kick off the year we will be meeting in the Parish Hall this **Friday 8th February** from 6.50pm – 8.30pm. The following day on **Saturday 9th February** we will be holding our sister parish, Our Lady Help of Christians in Narre Warren. They will be hosting the first L.A.M.P event for the year for youth aged 13-35, from 9am-4pm and for youth in Years 5 & 6 in a separate junior stream from 9am-3pm. Cost $5.00 The theme of the day is "Aspire to Purpose" and living life to the full. The day includes sumo suit wrestling, praise and worship, Adoration, prayer, reconciliation and special guest speakers including Sam Clear. We look forward to seeing as many of our youth there on the day. Please register at www.thelampyouth.com. Enq: Tavonga on 0488 683 256.

**PRAYERS:**

*For those who attended their First Holy Communion in 2018:

To honour the memory of those who have passed on we pray for:

*Pray for our Parish Family:*

*For those who are engaged, married in 2018 and those engaged in 2019*

*For those who have passed on in the last year in Australia*

*For those who have passed in the Parish Family in the last year and all those who have been in church and those who are not*

*For those who have recently lost a loved one in the last 12 months*

*For those who are unwell and their families in our Parish Family*