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
Tues 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

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr Joseph Abutu
Assistant Priest: Rev. Fr Antony Rebelo IVD

Sisters of the Nativity:
Sr. Mary Olofu & Sr. Faustina Ede ☎ 5996 1985

Parish Child Safety Officers:
Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ 5996 1985
Email: cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au

Parish Secretaries: Sue Ryan & Tina Dam ☎ 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 ☎ 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
Saturday: 9.30am

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, thank you, Fr Antony, for your wonderful leadership while I was on holidays. I am grateful to you the parishioners of St. Agatha’s for supporting Fr Antony and I am appreciative of everyone’s prayers while I was away.

The parish celebration for the Feast of St Agatha was once again a joyful, wonderful parish celebration. Thank you to all who assisted in the preparations especially the Parish Pastoral Council members and to all who attended.

The parish has new stoles for the Lector & Extraordinary ministers to wear when they are helping at Mass, please collect it to wear from the Altar Servers sacristry before Mass. God bless you all, Fr Joseph

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: With the Listening and Dialogue session coming to an end on the 6th of March, our Parish is going to be focus on sharing our thoughts and inputs towards the Plenary Council. Listening & Dialogue sessions in the Parish Hall. 22nd February @ 7:30pm & 23rd February @ 11:00pm. You are requested to come and attend at least 1 of these sessions. It usually takes about 1.2 hrs for these sessions and we will discuss what each person thinks “What do you think God is asking for the Church in Australia?” This is a listening session - not a debate or education session - so EVERYONE’s input is wanted and needed! there are no wrong answers. Visit https://www.trybooking.com/book?eventid=453345 for online registrations or you can contact the parish office or speak to the Plenary Animators if you have questions.

HAVE YOUR SAY IN HOLY MASS: For the next 2 week’s weekend Masses, question sheets will be passed around after the homily.
- You will be given time to reflect and answer upon the question(s) provided.
- They will be collected, collated and submitted after that
- A box is kept in the foyer if you wish for more time to Pray/Think about your answer

ONLINE SUBMISSIONS: For those who wish to make online submissions, there is a step by step on how to submit online as well as flyers with information. You can also visit the Plenary Council website for more information.

RE CLASSES: Do you have children who attend Government Schools Grades Prep - 6? If so you may wish to enrol them for the Catechetical Program 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.

TRUSTING GROUP: Begins again on Monday 11th February at 7:00pm. If you feel drawn to get closer to Jesus, please “come and see”. For more information please contact Ruth Spierings on 0477 800 161.

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

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

CAR RAFFLE: Due to unprecedented response all the raffle tickets have been sold last weekend. We are sorry to those who have missed out. If you are one of the lucky ones to have collected a raffle book please return the book to the Parish office with your payment or after Mass on the weekend. 3 new KIA cars to be won & 11 Coles/Myer gift cards. Tickets $20 a book. Vic permit 10699/18. Drawn on 4th May 2019.

ALTAR SERVERS: New rosters have been emailed out this week, printed copies are available from the table in the foyer.

LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER ROSTERS: New rosters have been emailed out this week, printed copies are available from the table in the foyer.

RCIA RITE OF ELECTION: For Catechumens and Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates An invitation is extended to all catechumens, candidates and their families. RCIA team members and parishioners to the Rite of Election celebrated by Bishop Pat O’Regan on Sunday 10th March at 3.00 pm in St. Mary’s Cathedral, Sale. At 2.00pm Bishop Pat warmly invites catechumens, candidates and their families, sponsors and RCIA teams to meet him at the Chapter House (at the rear of the Cathedral precinct). 3.00 pm The Rite of Election of Catechumens and Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates in the Cathedral. 4.00pm Afternoon tea in the Cathedral gathering space. Please bring some food to share.

RITE OF ELECTION: Parish Singers and Musicians Wanted! As in past years, we are forming a Diocesan choir for the Rite of Election at St Mary’s Cathedral on Sunday 10th March. 1.30-2.30 pm Choir rehearsal 3.00 - 4.00 pm Rite of Election. To register your interest and receive the music pack, please contact Sophy Morley ASAP on smorley@sale.catholic.org.au or phone 5622 6677.

YEAR 7 2020 APPLICATIONS FOR ST. PETER’S COLLEGE: A reminder to families that 2020 applications are due in at the College by Monday 4th March. Information packs are available from the College Offices or you can download an application form from the College website. First round offers will be sent out at the end of March. If you have any further enquiries please contact the College Registrar, Wendy Height on 5990 7777.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Monday group meet from 10.30 am (after Mass) until 12.00 noon. All welcome!

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.

IRISH SINGER DAVID PARKES: Come and listen to renowned international singer David Parkes witness through his singing ministry at St. Agatha's Parish, Friday 8th March at 7.30pm after Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm. For more information see flyer on the notice board in the Church foyer. Eng: Divine Mercy Publications 9950 4386.

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

HEART WISDOM FOR TEACHERS: Kardia Formation is offering teachers a day of reflection and gentle dialogue, designed to nurture personal identity, vocation and mission framed in the broad context of relationship with God. Thursday, 28th March 2019. 10.00am to 3.30pm. To find out more contact enquiries@kardia.com.au

ALPHA TEAM TRAINING WORKSHOP DAY: Saturday 23rd February at Our Lady of the Nativity Parish Hall, 29 Fawkner St, Essendon West. (parking available in adjacent shopping centre or in the Parish Carpark over the road)) 9.00am - 5.00pm. Alpha team training aims to develop teams with the skills to successfully run Alpha in local parishes. It will include information on what Alpha is and how it fits into the faith formation process in a parish. Training will include small group facilitation, how to sustain small group enthusiasm and how to run the Alpha weekend/day retreat. Tips on marketing and promotion and forming an Alpha team are covered. BYO lunch, tea and coffee provided. Attendance is free and bookings can be made at https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/alpha-catholic-team-training-vic-essendon-west-tickets-55615214604

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