



## Holland Park Mount Gravatt Parish

† St. Joachim's Church, 41 Yuletide Street, Holland Park West † St. Agnes' Church, 1227 Logan Road, Mt Gravatt

† St. Joachim Primary School, 41 Yuletide Street, Holland Park West † St Agnes' Primary School, 29 Tudor St, Mt. Gravatt

Pentecost Sunday

Year C

June 7/8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### PARISH PRIEST

**Fr Thomas Varkey**

### PARISH SECRETARY

**Dot Lomax**

### SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR

**Mary Ginty**

### MUSIC COORDINATOR

**Yolanda Apelt**

### LITURGY COORDINATOR

**Sr. Helen Dyson**

### PARISH FINANCE CHAIR

**Ron Pugh**

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

8:30am – 4:00pm

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### WEBSITES

[www.hollandparkmtgravatt](http://www.hollandparkmtgravatt)

[catholicparish.com.au](http://catholicparish.com.au)

### FACEBOOK

St Joachim's & St Agnes' parish

### PARISH SCHOOLS

St Agnes': 07 3349 5130

St Joachim's: 07 3397 9087

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WELFARE

1800 846 643

### OUTSIDE HOURS SCHOOL CARE

St. Agnes & St. Joachim

07 3367 6300

### SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Dot Lomax: 0474 297 201

(Safeguarding purposes only)

Dear Parish Family,

Our recent pilgrimage to Marian Valley was truly a memorable and grace-filled experience. In this Jubilee Year 2025, as Pilgrims of Hope, we journeyed together in faith to celebrate the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was not just a visit, but a moment of deep spiritual renewal and communal joy. We are especially grateful for the miraculous weather that accompanied our time at the shrine—a gentle reminder of God's care and Our Lady's maternal presence.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who joined the pilgrimage, shared food, and contributed to the spirit of unity and devotion. A special word of thanks to Fr. Zachary Lewis for his inspiring spiritual reflections, and to Dot Lomax, who diligently registered the pilgrims and arranged the bus, ensuring smooth and joyful travel for all. We also thank the staff at Marian Valley for their warm hospitality and generous support throughout our visit.

Our Blessed Mother always accompanies us on our journey of faith. Her powerful intercession continues to support and strengthen us as we strive to follow Jesus more closely. As we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, we are reminded that Mary received the power of the Holy Spirit at various moments in her life. At the Annunciation, she welcomed Jesus into her womb by the power of the Spirit. On Pentecost Day, gathered with the disciples in prayer, she once again received the Holy Spirit—and through that outpouring, became a true missionary of hope, inspiring the early Church by her steadfast presence and faith.

I am also delighted to share that a group of women from our parish have now begun gathering every Wednesday at 5:30 PM to pray the Rosary before Mass. I warmly invite you to join them as we continue to deepen our devotion to Mother Mary and grow together in prayer.

God bless you all,

Fr. Thomas



The Holland Park Mt Gravatt Catholic Parish acknowledge the Jagara people, the traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

## Parish News

**WE REMEMBER** Brian Besgrove, Fr Ashley Warbrooke and Marie Tabulo. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

**WE REJOICE** with Mowen, Chan, Lloyd and Chorvat and the Joseph-Pallithanam and Poovannikunnel Jacob families as they celebrate the baptism of Remi, Henry, Ethan and Anora in the parish this weekend.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL WINTER APPEAL** will be held in the Parish this weekend. There's no one face of homelessness with people of all ages and backgrounds susceptible to going from stability to precarity in a short span of time. Homelessness is never a choice, but sometimes it's the only option. For people at risk of or experiencing homelessness, the impacts can be long-lasting and insidious. All funds raised in this Parish are used locally by our local St Joachim's St Agnes' Conference to assist not only the homeless but all who require assistance.

**COUNTERS** Maureen's team.

**FUNERAL OF BRIAN BESGROVE** will be held at St Joachim's Church on Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> commencing 10:30am.

**PRAYING THE ROSARY** Commencing at 5:30pm the Rosary will be prayed prior to the 6:00pm Wednesday evening mass at St Agnes'.

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Celebration of God's Mercy and Practice Night is for children already enrolled and preparing for First Holy Communion a Celebration of God's Mercy will be held on Wednesday 11th June, 6.30pm St Joachim's Church. It is essential for the children to attend this celebration in order to receive First Holy Communion.

After the celebration, we will be having a practice run of receiving the Eucharist. Please allow enough time to sign in and find your seat before the session starts. Don't forget to bring your child's Mass Attendance Card.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)** All children are invited to join CLOW at the 9am mass at St Agnes' on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00am Mass. All parents are very welcome, however children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.

## Weekday Masses

Date	Day	Time	Location
June 9	Mon	8:00am	St Joachim's
June 11	Wed	6:00pm	St Agnes'
June 12	Thurs	9:00am	St Agnes
June 13	Fri	9:00am	St Joachim's

## Weekend Masses

June 14	Sat	5:00pm	St Joachim's
June 15	Sun	7:30am	St Joachim's
June 15	Sun	9:00am	St Agnes
June 15	Sun	6:00pm	St Agnes

## SACRAMENTS AND SPECIAL LITURGIES

**RECONCILIATION** - Every Saturday  
at 4.30pm at St. Joachim's Church.

**MASS OF ANOINTING** - First Friday  
9.00am at St. Joachim's

**ADORATION** - First Wednesday  
5:30pm at St Agnes'

**BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS**  
by appointment

**BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION**  
1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month

## CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 1st and 3rd  
Sunday 9.00am at St. Agnes' Church

Youth Mass and Meeting on 2nd Sunday of the  
month at 6.00pm at St. Agnes' Church

Family and Children's Mass on 4th Sunday of  
the month at 9.00am at St. Agnes

## EVENTS & MEETINGS AT PARISH CENTRE

**New to the parish – register via  
Flocknote by scanning the QR code.**



## Quote from Pope Leo

"We are disciples of Christ. Christ goes before us. The world needs His light. Humanity needs Him as the bridge to be reached by God and his love. Help us also, and then help each other to build bridges, with dialogue, with encounter, uniting us all to be one people always at peace."

## Celebration of First Holy Communion



*Saturday 14 June 5pm St Joachim's Church*

*Sunday 15 June 9am St Agnes' Church*

*Saturday 21 June 5pm St Joachim's Church*

*Sunday 22 June 9am St Agnes' Church*

*We look forward to celebrating the gift of the Holy Eucharist  
with the Families and Children.*

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin in July this year.

**Enrolments now OPEN and close Monday 30th June.**

Families with children in year 3 should have already received an invitation to the program via school.

This program is open to all baptised children in year three (3) and above.

If you would like to receive a copy of the invitation and details of how to enrol please email Mary at

[sacpr.hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacpr.hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au)

