



## 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

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

July 26/27<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

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### 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

Lyn Russo: 0474 297 201

(Safeguarding purposes only)

### **Feast of St. Joachim – Our Patron and Model of Faith**

Dear Parishioners,

As we joyfully celebrate the Feast of St. Joachim this Saturday the beloved patron of our parish, along with St. Agnes—we give thanks for his example and intercession in our lives. St. Joachim holds a special place in the spiritual journey of our community, and we are especially proud of our St. Joachim School and all who form part of its vibrant legacy.

We offer our heartfelt prayers of gratitude for all who have served this community over the years: priests, religious, teachers, staff, and parishioners. Your dedication has helped shape our parish and school into places of welcome, faith, and learning.

Though little is written about St. Joachim in Scripture, tradition presents him as a man of deep prayer, steadfast trust in God, and unwavering love for his family. His quiet faithfulness and humble devotion remind us that God's grace often works through the ordinary rhythms of family life and personal sacrifice.

As we honour our patron, we are invited to reflect on our own call to be people of hope and faith especially within our homes, schools, families, and parish community. May St. Joachim inspire us to live our vocation with renewed dedication, to nurture the next generation with care and love, and to trust in God's promises even when the path is uncertain.

Let us pray for our parish and school family, that like St. Joachim, we may walk faithfully with God rooted in prayer and alive in hope.

Fr. Thomas

Let us pray:

Loving God,

On this feast of St. Joachim,  
we honour the quiet strength of a faithful father,  
the wisdom of a devoted grandfather,  
and the grace of one chosen to prepare the way for Your  
Son.

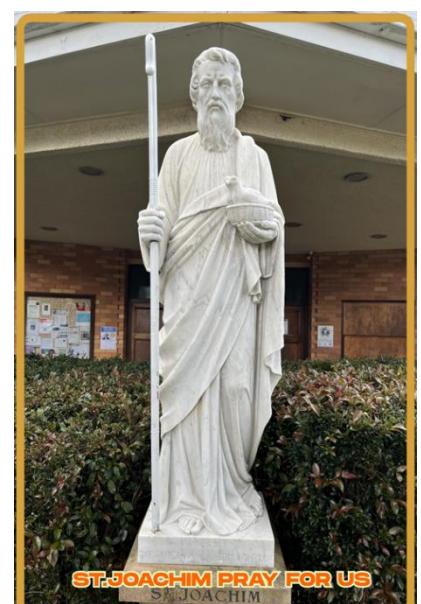
St. Joachim, patron of our parish,  
you trusted in God's plan through silence and waiting.  
Teach us to be patient in prayer,  
steadfast in hope, and generous in love.

With St. Agnes, your companion in our parish mission,  
intercede for our families, our children, and our elders.  
May our community reflect the holiness of your home,  
and grow in unity, peace, and service.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

St. Joachim, pray for us!



## Readings for 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Ecclesiastes 1:2: 2:21-23 Psalm: 89 Reading 2: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

### Parish News

**WE REJOICE** with the Murphy families family as they celebrate the baptism of Ryan and Colin in the parish this weekend and in welcoming Croia to our community after being baptised in Ireland last year.

**COUNTERS** Elisabeth's team.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY MEETING** will be held on Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> commencing 3:30pm with a cuppa followed by meeting at 4:00pm.

**ST AGNES' MEALS ON WHEELS** team is rostered on for this Thursday, July 31st.

Please advise MOW if you are unable to attend on 3397 9150.

**MASS OF ANOINTING WITH HOSPITALITY** The mass on Friday, August 1st will include an anointing of the sick. This will be followed by morning tea.

**ALTAR SERVING TRAINING** For children who have already received their First Holy Communion and are interested in becoming Altar Servers, training will be held on **Thursday, 1 August at 3:30 PM at St Agnes' Church**. The training will be led by **Mrs Lesley van Trier and Fr Thomas**. Afternoon tea will be provided.

**CLOW** Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held **Sunday 3rd August**. The liturgy takes place during the 9am Mass for about 15mins. Children are invited to listen to the Gospel in a way that is meaningful for them. All children invited to attend. Parents are welcome to accompany their child.

**COFFEE AND CHAT** will be held on Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup> commencing 10:00am at Brizstar Café, Mt Gravatt Plaza. Join other parishioners for morning tea and fellowship, everyone is welcome.

**PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** The Family Sessions for the children already enrolled and preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are on: Thursday 7 August at Agnes' Church from 6.00pm to 7.30pm **OR** Saturday 9 August St Joachim's Church from 2.00pm to 3.30pm.

**Children to attend either of the sessions accompanied by a parent or guardian.**

**SYNOD24 – IMPLEMENTATION** Recommendations will soon be available from the Synod processes now underway in the church. All the Parishes of our Archdiocese in Brisbane will be looking at how to implement suitable initiatives in their own contexts. On August 16<sup>th</sup> there is a meeting at St Bernard's Aspinall Centre commencing 9:30am which we are looking for 2 people to attend with Roen and Vera Robinson. If you would be interested in finding out more about the Synod we would like to hear from you. Please speak to Fr Thomas or contact the Parish Office.

### DATE CLAIMERS:

Annual Pet Mass, September 6 at 5:00pm mass at St Joachim's  
Multicultural Mass, October 26th at 9am mass at St Agnes' followed by hospitality and entertainment in St Agnes' hall

Mass of Remembrance, Saturday, November 8th at 10:00am at St Agnes.



Brochure with full program is available in the churches this weekend.

Weekday Masses			
Date	Day	Time	Location
July 28	Mon	8:00am	St Joachim's
July 30	Wed	6:00pm	St Agnes'
July 31	Thurs	9:00am	St Agnes'
Aug 1	Fri	9:00am	St Joachim's
Weekend Masses			
Aug 2	Sat	5:00pm	St Joachim's
Aug 3	Sun	7:30am	St Joachim's
Aug 3	Sun	9.00am	St Agnes
Aug 3	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

**The Rosary** – Every Wednesday

5:30pm at St Agnes' Church

**ADORATION** - First Wednesday

6:00pm 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 Meeting 5pm and Youth Mass 6pm on 2nd Sunday of the month 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

**29<sup>nd</sup> Tues St Vincent de Paul Meeting 3:30pm**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sun Children's Liturgy of the Word 9am**

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



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### Safeguarding Commitment

We have **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in our activities, ministries and services.

The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.