



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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

September 27th/28th, 2025

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Thomas Varkey

PARISH SECRETARY

Dot Lomax

SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR

Mary Ginty

MUSIC COORDINATOR

Yolanda Apelt

LITURGY COORDINATOR

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Ron Pugh

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

8:30am – 4:00pm

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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

They won't listen

Parents will certainly understand the point of the parable in today's Gospel. You can almost hear the exasperation in Jesus' voice, "You've been told over and over again..." But still people refuse to listen. In the parable, the rich man insists that if only the message was dramatic enough, if only Lazarus could return then surely his brothers and would listen. "No," says Jesus, "they won't listen, even if someone were to rise from the dead."

And someone has risen from the dead, and has the listening improved? Is kindness a value for us? Generosity? Are we willing to share with others? Or like the rich man, do we block our ears and close our eyes to the needy at our gates. As I write this reflection, men, women and children are locked up in 'Detention' centres, their crime being a desire to live, and see their families live, with some hope. They want a chance for their children to be educated, a chance to live without fear of arrest and torture, a chance to live alongside us and be given a fair go. Apart from asylum seekers, there are other examples you can think of where Lazarus lies starving on our doorsteps. What more will it take for us to listen, really listen to the words of Jesus?

May our ears and hearts be open to feel the discomfort of the Gospel; may the Risen One in our midst goad us to act in his name for those like Lazarus in our midst.

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SAY THAT AGAIN, PLEASE!

by Elizabeth Harrington

NOTICES SEEN IN PARISH BULLETINS



The role of lay ministers during the Communion Rite is to serve the assembly by distributing the consecrated elements, so they are Ministers of Communion, never 'eucharistic ministers'. As the one who presides at the Eucharist, the priest is the only Minister of Eucharist or eucharistic minister.

Technically, these lay ministers are called Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. They are *extra-ordinary* because the clergy are the *ordinary* ministers. The connotation of 'extraordinary' in English however make this name unhelpful. They are best called LAY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION.

Ministers stand on the sanctuary. The *altar* is the table of the Lord at the centre of the thanksgiving that is accomplished through the Eucharist (GIRM 296). The sanctuary is the place where the altar stands, where the Word of God is proclaimed, and the various ministers exercise their functions (GIRM 295).

Parish News

WE REMEMBER Esther North, Sr Nivard Smith rsm and Sr Cath Duxbury osu. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

COUNTERS Maureen's team.

THE ROSARY - St Agnes' Church each Wednesday commencing 5:00pm.

COFFEE AND CHAT will be held on Monday, October 13th due to King's Birthday public holiday on the 6th. The venue will be advertised next weekend.



MULTICULTURAL MASS
followed by
Cultural Activities and Lunch

Sunday, October 26th
St Agnes' Church and Parish Hall
Commencing 9:00am with mass

Let us celebrate the cultural diversity within our parish and schools.

All are welcome to participate






Would you like to present a cultural song, dance, poem or provide food from your cultural region?

If so, please contact the parish office asap on 3349 2280 or hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au



SYNOD 24 IMPLEMENTATION WORKSHOP DECREE 8

All people passionate about Decree 8: Integral Ecology and Conversion of the Sake of Our Common Home are welcome to join a morning's SYNOD24 Implementation Workshop. We will gather on November 10th from 9:00am - 12:30pm at the Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral of St Stephen precinct to pray for God's wisdom and courage at COP30 and also to discuss the variety of concrete ways communities and parishes can implement SYNOD24 Action Plans. If you are interested in attending please let the office know so you can be registered. Catering: Morning tea provided. Cost: Free.

Several parishioners attended the first workshop and found it interesting.

THE "SPIRIT OF HOPE" MONTHLY CITY PRAYER MINISTRY, will be held in St Stephens Chapel, on Wednesday 1st October 2025, following the regular 10am Mass in the Cathedral. Join us for a Morning of Prayer, Praise and Worship. Enq:- Maureen 0403002199 or Helena 0405321901



**VOLUNTEERS
REQUIRED**

Do you have any spare time?
Would you like to make new friends, learn new skills and have fun while helping your local community?

Vinnies Centre of Charity at 1480 Logan Rd, Mount Gravatt is in need of volunteers 6 days per week.

Contact Annette
Annette.smith@svdpqld.org.au
Or 0492 412 640

Date	Day	Time	Location

Weekend Masses

Oct 4	Sat	5:00pm	St Joachim's
Oct 5	Sun	7:30am	St Joachim's
Oct 5	Sun	9.00am	St Agnes
Oct 5	Sun	6:00pm	St Agnes

SACRAMENTS AND SPECIAL LITURGIES

RECONCILIATION - Every Saturday at 4.45pm at St. Joachim's Church.

MASS OF ANOINTING - First Friday

ADORATION - First Wednesday

BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS
by appointment

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

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

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



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Email: AOB@stopline.com.au
Online Report: bne.catholic.stoplinereport.com



Women's retreat
LOVE STORY

7 - 9 NOV 2025

SANTA TERESA SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

Scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/womensR25 for more info or to register.

Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding Commitment. The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

Office for Safeguarding Services - Telephone: 07 3324 3752; Email: safeguarding@bne.catholic.net.au