



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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

August 8th/9th 2026

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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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)

Dear Parishioners,

August is a month of grace and thanksgiving for our parish. On 8 August, we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, whose inspiring words, "Never see a need without doing something about it," continue to encourage us to live with compassion, generosity, and trust in God's providence.

On 15 August, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As we honour our Blessed Mother, may her faith and complete trust in God inspire us to grow in holiness and renew our hope in the promise of eternal life.

This month we also give thanks for Dot Lomax, who retires after 23 years of faithful service as our Parish Secretary. We are deeply grateful for her dedication, kindness, and the countless ways she has supported our parish community. On behalf of us all, I thank Dot for her faithful service and wish her every blessing for the future.

I warmly invite you to join us for Dot's Thanksgiving and Farewell Celebration on Friday, 14 August, beginning with Holy Mass at 6:00 pm at St Agnes Church, followed by drinks and dinner in the Parish Hall. Together, let us give thanks for Dot's remarkable ministry, share our memories, and pray that God will continue to bless her with good health, joy, peace, and abundant happiness as she begins this new chapter of her life.

God bless

Fr. Thomas

SEASON OF CREATION [Calling for your photo's /artwork...](https://seasonofcreation.org) The Season of Creation is an annual Christian celebration beginning on, September 1, through to the October 4. The theme this year is **"living water, raising** awareness to care for creation so people and nature can flourish together. The Season of Creation is a special time dedicated to deepening our relationships with Creation and our Creator. [We also invite you to email photographs, artwork, or any creative works to sacpr.hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au). [We would like to use your photo's/artwork in the celebration of mass. Like to find out more about the Season? Visit https://seasonofcreation.org](https://seasonofcreation.org)

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The Holland Park Mt Gravatt Catholic Parish acknowledge the Jagera 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 Poihipi Paora Pere, Anita Valentini and Doug Hansen. May they rest in the peace of Christ

WE REJOICE with the Martin family as they celebrate the baptism of Adalynn in the parish this weekend

COUNTERS – Week 2 team

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY VIGIL MASS – Friday, August 14th commencing 6:00pm at St Agnes Church. There will be no mass on Saturday for the Assumption.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will be held next Sunday, August 16th at the 9:00am mass.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM – SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - For families already enrolled for the Sacrament of Confirmation, Presentation of the Creed will take place at all Masses on the Weekend of 15th and 16th August:

At this Mass the children will be given a copy of the creed, the faith of our Church. You need only attend one of the below Masses: Saturday 5pm, St Joachim's Church; Sunday 7.30am, St Joachim's Church; Sunday 9am, St Agnes' Church.

PARISH HISTORY GROUP - Thank you for your positive comments about our displays during July. We would love to be able to tell more stories from people who have connections, direct or indirect, to the very early years (pre-1950s) of St Agnes' or St Joachim's. Many thanks to Margaret and Laurie for their wonderful contributions. If you have a story or photo to share, please email hpmgparishhistory@gmail.com or leave a message for Maureen on 3349 8903, so that a committee member can contact you. We plan to acknowledge significant milestones/share parishioner stories on a monthly basis in the future. The displays are abridged versions of information that will be published in the 2028 book celebrating 25 years of the combined Holland Park Mount Gravatt Parish.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – CHURCH ENVIRONMENT A person is required to take on the washing of the Altar Linen for the month of July (commencing 2027). There is a twelve month roster in place and you are only required to do the one month. Please advise the Parish Office if you are able to assist.



PET MASS
& BLESSING OF PETS

Join Us for a Special Celebration of God's Creation

SUNDAY, 23 AUGUST 2026
MASS AT 6:00 PM
ST. AGNES' CHURCH
 1227 Logan Road, Mount Gravatt

*The Lord is good to all;
 He has compassion on all He has made.*
 Psalm 145:9

Bring your beloved pets and join our parish community for a special outdoor Mass celebrating the beauty and wonder of God's creation.

Following the Mass, pets will receive a special blessing, acknowledging the joy, companionship, and unconditional love they bring to our lives.

Whether you have a dog, cat, bird, rabbit, or another cherished companion, all creatures great and small are welcome.

» EVERYONE IS WARMLY WELCOME! «

FAMILIES DOGS CATS BIRDS ALL GOD'S CREATURES

*Come Celebrate with Your Parish & School Family
 BRING YOUR FAMILY. BRING YOUR PETS.
 Bring your grateful hearts.*

HOLLAND PARK MOUNT GRAVATT PARISH
Praising God for the Gift of Creation

Weekday Masses

Date	Day	Time	Location
Aug 10	Mon	8:00am	St Joachim's
Aug 12	Wed	6:00pm	St Agnes'
Aug 13	Thurs	9:00am	St Agnes'
Aug 14	Fri	6:00pm	St Agnes'

Weekend Masses

Aug 15	Sat	5:00pm	St Joachim's
Aug 16	Sun	7:30am	St Joachim's
Aug 17	Sun	9:00am	St Agnes
Aug 17	Sun	6:00 pm	St Agnes

SACRAMENTS AND SPECIAL LITURGIES

RECONCILIATION - Every Saturday

Every Saturday 4:30pm St Joachim's Church

HOLY ROSARY

Every Wednesday 5:30pm St Agnes Church

MASS OF ANOINTING - First Friday

9:00am St Joachim's Church

ADORATION - First Wednesday

6:30pm at St Agnes'

BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

by appointment

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

1st 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

2nd Sunday of the month at 6:00pm St Agnes'

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

EVENTS & MEETINGS AT PARISH CENTRE

4:00pm Tues Aug 11 St Vinnies' Meeting

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 code.**



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