



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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

September 12th /13th 2026

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Thomas Varkey

PARISH SECRETARY

Isa Tarr

SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR

Mary Ginty

MUSIC COORDINATOR

Yolanda Apelt

LITURGY COORDINATOR

Sr. Helen Dyson

PARISH FINANCE CHAIR

Ron Pugh

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:00am – 2:00pm

PARISH DETAILS

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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

Lyn Russo: 0474 297 201

(Safeguarding purposes only)

Safeguarding Sunday

The Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday (formerly Child Protection Sunday) on the second Sunday of September each year – at the conclusion of National Child Protection Week.

On Safeguarding Sunday, we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by anyone in Church settings and acknowledge the vulnerability of some within our parishes and communities.

We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance.

This year the theme is Love Protects and the readings show us that real love is not passive goodwill. Rather it actively shields the vulnerable, tells the truth, and never lets silence stand in for safety.

A prayer on Safeguarding Sunday

Loving God, you are kind and merciful, slow to anger and rich in compassion. Your love is patient and kind; it does not seek its own interest; it is not easily angered; it bears all things and always protects.

As we gather this Safeguarding Sunday under the theme "Love Protects," open our eyes to see where we have failed to protect, open our ears to hear the voices of those who have been harmed, and open our hearts to the patient important work of keeping our people safe

Make our parish a community where children are cherished, where young people are respected, where older and isolated parishioners are not forgotten, where those living with disability or illness are truly included, and where every vulnerable person among us is seen, valued, and kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the Gospels, Jesus shows particular care for those who are vulnerable and calls his disciples to do the same. Safeguarding is not simply a policy or procedure; it is a Gospel responsibility that reflects the dignity of every person and our shared commitment to love one another as Christ has loved us.

As we celebrate today, let us pray for all who continue to journey towards healing, give thanks for those who serve in safeguarding ministry especially our parish local safeguarding representative Lyn Russo, and recommit ourselves to building parish communities where trust, compassion and care are evident in all we do.

Parish News

NEW OFFICE HOURS

9:00am – 2:00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

WE REMEMBER: Kath Wood, Sr Cath Duxbury OSU. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

WE REJOICE with the Siobhan Marcus & Joseph Marcus, Helene Smeulders & Thomas Smeulders families as they celebrate the baptisms of Joseph Michael Marcus & Clementine Smeulders in the parish this weekend.

WEEKDAY MASS There will be **NO** weekday masses until Friday, October 9th 2026.

THE ROSARY – St Agnes' Church each Wednesday commencing 5:30pm

Meals on wheels: St. Joachim's Team is rostered for Tuesday 15th September 2026.

Counters – Ros Team

Youth Mass: 06.00pm at St. Agnes Church followed by Pizza.



Annual Multicultural Mass

We warmly invite anyone interested in performing at our Multicultural Celebration on Sunday, 25 October at St. Joachim to contact parish office before September 30th, 2026.



Weekday Masses

Date	Day	Time	Location
Sep 14	Mon	8:00am	No Mass
Sep 16	Wed	6:00pm	No Mass
Sep 17	Thurs	9:00am	No Mass
Sep 18	Fri	9:00am	No Mass

Weekend Masses

Sep 19	Sat	5:00pm	St Joachim's
Sep 20	Sun	7:30am	St Joachim's
Sep 20	Sun	9:00am	St Agnes
Sep 20	Sun	6:00 pm	St Agnes'

SACRAMENTS AND SPECIAL LITURGIES

RECONCILIATION - Every Saturday

Every Saturday 4:45pm 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 07.00pm

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

Archbishop Shane Mackinlay
WARMLY INVITES COUPLES
WHO ARE CELEBRATING
50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE AND ABOVE
TO THE ANNUAL

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Cathedral of St Stephen
Saturday, 26th September 2026
11:30am

Family and friends are welcome to attend

Safeguarding Sunday

13TH SEPTEMBER 2026

LOVE PROTECTS

OUR FAITH Guides Us
OUR PEOPLE Matter
OUR MISSION Protects

A day dedicated to
NURTURING SAFETY,
DIGNITY & HOPE
in every community.

Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish

We're trying to be more sustainable, but we need your help!

Drop off your containers for change here

When visiting a depot use our QR code or account number

Team Member number
C11371867

Fund raising towards MCBS Missions & Parish Hospitality

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