ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA 14th December 2025

MASS TIMES:

Sunday9.30 amMonday5.15 pm

Friday 9.30 am (Communion Service)

Saturday 6.00 pm

For people who are able to help the Church by **contributions**:

 2nd Collection
 BSB 064786
 ACC 100007132

 1st Collection
 BSB 064786
 ACC 100007130

 Musicians Fund
 BSB 064129
 ACC 10509763

Reconciliation: *None until further notice.* **Phone:** 3371 5860 **Office Hours:** Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am to 12:30 pm *(Call First).*

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Website: www.stluciacatholic.org.au Email: stlucia@bne.catholic.net.au

AOB Safeguarding Office: www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding

St Alberto Hurtado Jesuit Community - Christmas Mass Times:

St Lucia Christmas Eve: 5:30pm and 7pm. Christmas Day: 9am; **Indooroopilly** Christmas Eve: Carols at 5:30pm, Mass at 6pm, Christmas Day: 8:30am; **St Ignatius** Christmas Eve: 6pm (Oval); 9pm (Church), Christmas Day: 7am (Church); 8am (Auchenflower).

Save the Dates Indooroopilly Parish – Celebrating 100 years of faith and community 1926-2026. Starting 14th March, please see noticeboard events which include Archbishop Shane and Archbishop Emeritus Mark, and Fr Tom Elich.

The Musicians Fund needs your donations to continue to support the current high standard or music within the St Thomas Aquinas Parish. The **Fund is a Deductable Gift Recipient** so all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. There are envelopes around the Church, or you can make a direct debit to BSB 064 129 AC 10509763.

The hand sanitiser dispenser has been moved to the reading room for those who use it.

Children's advent https://archdiocesanministries.org.au/advent-and-christmas-with-children

Advent resources, including daily reflections are now available from the Archdiocese at www.adventplus.com.au. See noticeboard for more information.

- Christmas Balloons We currently have 11 volunteers. Please feel free to attend
 either session below at your convenience. 21st December after the Sunday morning
 Mass, cutting ribbons and preparation, and 24th December 1pm and 3pm for inflating
 the balloons.
- Special Ministers and Readers still needed for all Masses.
- Dusting Working Bee Has been changed to 21st December after the Sunday morning Mass for 2 hours, alongside the balloon's preparation above. Attend at your convenience.
- The 9:30 Sunday Morning Choir at St Thomas Aquinas traditionally leads the singing at the two Christmas Eve Masses (5:30 pm and 7:00 pm). Christmas Eve rehearsal is usually 30-45 minutes prior to the 5:30 Mass and there is a short break for refreshments between Masses. Anyone interested in singing is very welcome.

If you would like to **get involved this Christmas**, there are plenty of opportunities. Please attend the above events **at your convenience**.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.
O come, O Wisdom from on high,
Who orders all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

Refrain: Will you love me as I have loved you?

Will you live with me the darkness as I die? For the moon and the stars will be gone like the night, and the sun will be shining on you.

Will you give me your life for ever?

Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?

Will you walk in the light of my presence?

Will you follow the truth of my ways. - R

Like the purest of gold in the furnace, is your love strong enough to endure?

Does your faith carry on through the shadows?

Does it shine in the night for the world? - R

Refrain: **Though the mountains may fall** and the hills turn to dust, yet the love of the Lord will stand as a shelter for all who will call on his name, Sing the praise and the glory of God.

Could the Lord ever leave you? Could the Lord forget his love? Though a mother forsake her child, He will not abandon you. *Refrain*

Should you turn and forsake him, He will gently call your name. Should you wander away from him, He will always take you back. *Refrain*