

ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA

15th February 2026

MASS TIMES:

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| Sunday | 9.30 am |
| Monday | 5.15 pm |
| Wednesday | 8:00 am (Ash Wednesday) |
| 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*).
Friday 9:30am to 12:30 pm.

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

Ash Wednesday 18th February Mass Times: **St Lucia 8am**, Auchenflower 9am, Holy Family 6pm, St Ignatius 6:30pm.

Date Claimer: “Deep Listening” Session - The next “Deep Listening” Session will be held on Saturday afternoon **28th of February 2-4pm** at the Faber Centre 111 Sir Samuel Griffith Drive Bardon. This session will be its size, good conference facilities, and air conditioning. The day and timing will allow busy family members to attend. It will also suit elderly parishioners who do not want to drive at night. The theme of this “Deep Listening” session will be “Ways Forward”. Participants are invited to articulate what the Parish means for them and what their vision for the Parish is.

Many of the things that the participants of previous “Deep Listening” Sessions wanted to see established (like a Liturgy Committee) have already been implemented or wanted to see re-established (like a Children’s Liturgy) are in the planning stage, Speedy implementation of the things that need to be done is a key characteristic of genuine Synodality.

This “Deep Listening” session is not a complaints bureau. It is about what participants see as the longer term spiritual nourishment and other needs of the Parish.

Nuts and bolts things such as financing cleaning of the Church, air-conditioning the Church Hall, and maintenance items are already being assessed. Thanks to Nev Feeney and the parish secretary we have a comprehensive list of minor works and maintenance items for the Parish Pastoral Council to prioritise and fund.

There are several notices we didn’t have room for which are now **on the noticeboard**. These include **Fr Frank’s event, Indooroopilly Centenary** and Toowong Parish events.

The ‘**Sacramental Preparation Programme**’ in our ‘Community of Communities’ will run over two years; commencing with Confirmation (generally year 3), then followed by First Penance (Reconciliation) and First Holy Communion (generally year 4). Enrolments for Sacrament of First Penance are now open. Any new enrolments **deadline is 3.00pm Friday 6 March**. You can find information on our website and noticeboard.

The **World Day of Prayer** is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year. Our local World Day of Prayer hour this year will be held at our church St Thomas Aquinas at **10.30am on Friday 6th March**. The prayers have been prepared by the **women of Nigeria**. We will be joined by members of the Anglican and Uniting Churches, and the hour of prayer will be followed by **morning tea**. For further information please contact **Lyn Fletcher** on 0407164274.

Project Compassion envelopes and coin boxes are around the Church, please take them home and return during Lent. More information to follow, www.projectcompassion.org.au.

The Journey Home features **daily Lenten reflections** written by guest writer, **Archbishop Emeritus Mark Coleridge**. Designed to be used by individuals and in small groups, each day offers a reflection on the Gospel and prompts for your personal refection. For more information or to order, please visit www.lentprogram.com.au.

Inner Peace in Divine Love. Lent offers a path inward - towards honesty, freedom, and love. **Lenten retreat** in-person at **Faber Centre & on zoom** in the evenings, is grounded in the First Spiritual Exercises & welcomes you to deepen your relationship with God and recognise God’s presence in daily life. Come as you are, and journey with others through prayer and reflection. Five Mondays from **23rd February – 23rd March**. Register at <https://jisa.org.au/retreat/inner-peace-in-divine-love-a-lenten-retreat-brisbane-qld>

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life’s little day; Earth’s joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter’s power?
Who, like Thysel, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death’s sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.