

ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA

23rd August 2026

MASS TIMES:

Sunday	9.30 am
Monday	5.15 pm
Friday	9.30 am (Communion Service)
Saturday	6.00 pm

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

ACC NAME 2nd Collection	BSB 064786	ACC 100029235
ACC NAME Presbytery	BSB 064786	ACC 100029234
ACC NAME The Musicians Fund at St Lucia		
	BSB 064129	ACC 10509763

Reconciliation: *None until further notice.* **Phone:** 3371 5860

Office Hours: Monday 1pm to 5pm & Friday 9:30am to 12:30 pm.

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

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

Urgent Help Needed - Children's Liturgy on **Sunday 30th** needs a volunteer to help cover this Sunday. If you can help out, please contact Helen Henningham phone: 0412880134 email: helenhenningham@hotmail.com.

The annual **Catholic Campaign** is scheduled for this weekend: **22nd – 23rd August**.

Envelopes are around the Church. You can also donate directly via the Campaign website: www.catholicfoundation.org.au

The Catholic Campaign will raise funds for:

Centacare – Serving the poorest and most vulnerable;

The Seminary – Educating seminarians for the priesthood;

Priests Foundation – Caring for the health and retirement of our priests;

Mackillop Fund – Giving a Catholic education to children facing significant hardship.

Annual Grants Program – Helping fund local grants for grass roots ministries

St Lucia Spirituality - The next online meeting of St Lucia Spirituality will be held on **Tuesday, 1 September at 4:45pm for 5:00pm**. The meeting will consider a discussion paper on Images of God. Join us as we explore some of the ways that God has been understood and described by religion, scholars and scientists, reflect on our own image of God and the implications for our attitudes and behaviours. To learn more and to obtain the paper, register and receive the zoom link, visit the website www.stluciaspirituality.com.

After Mass Fellowship - making the Parish a more welcoming / friendly place to worship
The next organised Post-Mass Fellowship event will be after the **9:30 Mass on the Sunday (August 30th)**.

Invitation to join the Choir - Please think about joining the choir on Sunday morning. Practice is from 9am to 9.30am before Mass. The weekly tuition from the Choir Director/Organist is excellent. Come along and try it.

The Musicians Fund needs your donations to continue to support the current high standard of music within the St Thomas Aquinas Parish. The **Fund is a Deductible 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.

Roll-out of Artificial Intelligence - If your work involves the roll-out of AI you need to be conversant with **Pope Leo XIV's** first encyclical Magnifica Humanitas ("Magnificent Humanity"): On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence. Core themes: Human dignity first: Technology (including AI) is not inherently evil or antagonistic to humanity, but it is never neutral—it reflects the values of those who design, fund, regulate, and use it. It must serve the person, the common good, and future generations rather than efficiency, profit, or control. "Disarming technology/AI": Mere regulation is not enough. AI power must not be concentrated in a few hands (corporate, political, or military). It should be made transparent, open to challenge, and "habitable" by many actors so it cannot become a tool of domination, exclusion, or normalized conflict. The encyclical does not reject AI or technological progress. It calls for prudence, rigorous ethical evaluation, slower adoption where needed, and shared standards of social justice so that AI fosters participation and fraternity rather than dehumanization.

Emergency Contact - If you require a priest in an emergency (after-hours), please phone Jesuit Fathers 0487 778 154

Registered Parishioners – who have registered their email with Flocknote were emailed their contribution receipt for 2025 on Monday. If you are registered and we don't have your email, your receipt was posted to you. Please consider logging into Flocknote and providing your email if you haven't done so. Registering with Flocknote allows you to update your contact details and see your contribution totals without needing to contact the office. If you would like your receipt posted, or have any issues, please contact the office.

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