ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH – ST LUCIA 31st December 2023

MASS TIMES:

Sunday 9.30 am, No Evening Mass

Monday 9 am

Friday 9.30 am (Eucharistic 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

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We welcome Fr Chris Hanlon who will be celebrating the two Masses this weekend.

As advertised earlier, there is **no Sunday evening Mass this weekend**, nor for the rest of the year.

Fr Pat wishes to thank the many people who have given him cards and gifts. They are truly memorable, and some unforgettable. He is very grateful for them all.

Nev Feeney has opened and shut the Church every day except Wednesday for many years. Many visitors to the Church made use of this accessibility to an empty church, even if only requiring some respite from their working day. For those who used it for prayer or a visit to the Eucharist will seriously miss this service.

Nev is no longer able to do this, and the new parish priest will decide what will happen in future. The Churches at Indooroopilly and Toowong remain locked when not in use.

Nev Feeney has also provided a eucharistic service when Fr Pat was unable to say the Mass. We very much thank him for this as well. As previously notified, the Jesuits will not have a Mass on Friday at 9.30a, as has been here for more than 50 years.

Ross Pitt has volunteered to do a eucharistic service this Friday 9.30am January 5. What is to happen in the future is yet to be decided.

Reconciliation next weekend has been cancelled until further notice.

Thank you to all those involved in the decorations at Christmas, those who prepared the balloons, the choir and individual singers, the sacristans and others who helped in any way.

Fr Pat wants to assure parishioners that the many who submitted envelopes for **masses on all Souls Day** for their relatives and friends will have individual masses said for them. Many have already been said; the rest will be celebrated at Canossa.

The first **Jesuits** will not arrive till later on this week so Fr Pat will say Monday morning's mass at 9am.

2) For he is our childhood's pattern,

Once In Royal David's City

Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child
Day by day like us he grew,
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew;
And he feeleth for our sadness
And he shareth in our gladness.

Morning has broken
Blackbird has spoken
Praise for the singing!
Praise for them, springing

Like the first morning,
Like the first bird.

Praise for the morning!

Presh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, Like the first dewfall

Praise for the sweetness
Sprung in completeness

Sweet the rain's new fall,
On the first grass.
Of the wet garden,
Where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light
Praise with elation,
God's recreation

Mine is the morning
Eden saw play!
Praise ev'ry morning,
Of the new day!

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and minds, and voices. Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices; Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God, the Father now be given. The Son and Spirit blest, who reigns in highest heaven. Eternal Triune God, whom earth and heav'n adore. For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Ann: Tony King, Anne & Bill Pattie, Gerard & Loreto McCafferty, Patricia Collins, Cameron Dent, Jim Bourke, Anna Vaivarins, dec'd members of the Ugarte family.