

ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA

18th May 2025

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**:

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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In support of **Family and Domestic Violence Prevention Month**, and as an expression of solidarity for victims of domestic and family violence, the Archdiocese of Brisbane will be holding a **Prayer Vigil** for Domestic and Family Violence, presided by **Archbishop Mark Coleridge**. This prayer service is a collaboration with Juliana Mantilla (Challenge DV), Diana Lopes (Honorary Consul of Portugal for QLD) and Brian Sullivan (Sicura) and is also one way the archdiocese is implementing the SYNOD24 Act ion Plan under Decree 3: Called By Christ, Sent Forth As Missionary Disciples particularly relating to liturgical celebrations catering for diverse needs and facilitating forums for safe and supportive storytelling. When: **Wednesday 21 May, from 6pm - 7pm** Where: The Cathedral of St Stephen. Join us in prayer and reflection for all impacted by domestic and family violence victims, families, communities, those who have caused harm, and everyone working across the system. Together, we honour stories, raise awareness, and hold space for healing and hope. For more information, please contact Steph Jorna at jornas@bne.catholic.net.au.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal 7th and 8th June - The St Vincent de Paul Society operates in the parish, visiting people who are in need, usually in their home. Our volunteers provide spiritual and physical support, designed to help people through hard times and to then move on in life with hope and in peace. We raise funds in Winter, so we can provide for people over the winter and during the following six months. Your generous support on the Appeal weekend will ensure that we can respond appropriately to the needs of suffering people. Donations can be in cash, card, cheque or direct credit, as will be indicated on the appeal envelopes. Virtually all donations go directly to services, with no administrative overheads other than postage, stationery, incidentals and bank fees.

St Ignatius Peace Through Justice Group - Laudato Si Week begins this weekend and as a celebration of the occasion and of the passion of the late Pope Francis for the world, the PTJ group invites all members of the parish communities to a showing of the movie, The Letter, at the Faber Centre, Bardonia on **Thursday 29th May, starting at 6.30pm** with soup and the movie starting at 7pm. There will be opportunity for discussion afterwards. It is a free event but RSVP to judyhaines.odonnell@gmail.com if possible for catering.

National Volunteer Week 2025 celebrates the power of volunteering to bring people together with the theme “Connecting Communities”. Protecting, valuing, and cherishing children and the vulnerable is at the heart of Christian faith. The Archdiocese would like to acknowledge the crucial role the Local Safeguarding Representatives play in creating and maintaining safe environments and activities for parishes, ministries and faith communities.

There will be a Sorry Day and **Reconciliation Mass** at the Cathedral – **25th May, 11:45am**.

God of day and God of darkness,	Now we stand before the night;
As the shadows stretch and deepen,	Come and make our darkness bright.
All creation still is groaning	For the dawning of your might,
When the Sun of peace and justice	Fills the earth with radiant light.

Still the nations curse the darkness,	Still the rich oppress the poor;
Still the earth is bruised and broken	By the ones who still want more.
Come and wake us from our sleeping,	So our hearts cannot ignore
All your people lost and broken,	All your children at our door.

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?	Like the purest of gold in the furnace,
Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?	is your love strong enough to endure?
Will you walk in the light of my presence?	Does your faith carry on through the shadows?
Will you follow the truth of my ways. - R	Does it shine in the night for the world? -R

Refrain: All the ends of the earth, all you creatures of the sea,
lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.
For the Lord of the earth, the Master of the sea, has come with justice for the world.

Break into song at the deeds of the Lord, the wonders he has done in every age. *Refrain*

The Lord has made his salvation known faithful to the promises of old.
Let the ends of the earth, let the sea and all it holds make music before our King! *Refrain*