ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA 19th October 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**:

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

This Sunday is **World Mission Sunday**. The theme this year is "Missionaries of hope among all peoples." This theme highlights the vital connection between faith and action. You are invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely. The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life. Envelopes are around the Church.

Visitation to prisoners - A volunteer role is open. The role is that of a lay chaplain whose presence and witness in the Correctional Centres bears Christ's compassion and forgiveness to restore hope to men burdened by shame and guilt who seek the grace to change the direction of their lives. Teams of Catholic women and men serve the Church's mission in this way in Correctional Centres across SEQ. For more information please contact Centacare: judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au or phone 0428669572. Blue card, police check and safeguarding credentialing required/able to be obtained. There is also a leaflet around the church to take home.

The Carmelite Sisters invite you to celebrate the Solemnity of St. Teresa of Jesus (Avila) Sunday 19 October, 10.30 am – Eucharist. Stay for a picnic lunch - tea, coffee, sandwiches on sale; browse the stalls for cards, books, and medals of St Teresa and other Carmelite Saints, and the sisters' handcrafts. Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St, Ormiston. Ph: 0466 739 138, www.carmeliteormiston.com.

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

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.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; They fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.

Day is done, but love unfailing Dwells ever here; Shadows fall, but hope, prevailing, Calms every fear. Loving Father, none forsaking, Take our hearts, of Love's own making, Watch our sleeping, guard our waking, Be always near.

- 2) Dark descends, but light unending Shines through our night;
 You are with us, ever lending
 New strength to sight:
 One in love, your truth confessing,
 One in hope of heaven's blessing,
 May we see, in love's possessing,
 Love's endless light!
- Eyes will close but you unsleeping Watch by our side Death may come in Love's safe keeping Still we abide God of love all evil quelling, Sin forgiving, fear dispelling Stay with us our hearts indwelling This eventide.

Refrain: **Behold the glory of God**, the Day-Star arising! Christ Jesus shines on the earth, with mercy enduring!

Night of hope, night of glory divine— Darkness conquered evermore. Christ triumphant shines on the earth With joy that endures. *Refrain*

Dance for joy all you angels of God, Let the pow'rs of heav'n exult. All creation, join now in song: "Salvation is won!" *Refrain*