

ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA

1st March 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**:

2nd Collection BSB 064786 ACC 100007132

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

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Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ had back surgery this week, we wish him a successful and speedy recovery.

The next online meeting of **St Lucia Spirituality** will be held on **Tuesday, 3 March** at 4:45pm for 5:00pm. The meeting will consider a discussion paper on Evolution, Spirituality and a New Theological Vision. Join us as we examine Diarmuid O’Murchu’s new paradigm for understanding humanity’s place in the cosmos—one that integrates contemporary scientific knowledge with a fresh theological vision. To learn more and to obtain the paper, register and receive the zoom link, visit www.stluciaspirituality.com.

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. **Final Update:** If you can **volunteer** during World Day of Prayer there are clipboards around the Church to sign up, or you can contact the office.

Next Step in **formulating the Parish Plan** - Following the third “**Deep Listening**” session this Saturday and what has emerged from it we are now in position to conduct the Parish Apostolic Discernment Day. Its aim will be to start the process of producing a clear, actionable Pastoral Plan for the Parish. This Plan will be the operating charter for the Parish Pastoral Council and other entities within the Parish such as the Liturgy Committee.

The **St Vincent de Paul Society** depends on local parish members who join the society and provide direct care and support for people in need throughout the St Lucia/Indooroopilly parishes. This typically involves visiting people in their homes to provide the emotional, financial and spiritual support that is appropriate to their circumstances. This charity work can be very rewarding, but it is sometimes challenging. Joining the Society is something that should be carefully and prayerfully considered.

We are happy for parishioners to come and see if our various activities are the right expression of charity for them. We invite people who may be interested in applying for membership to **approach the current members** who are available in the vestibule **over the weekend of 14-15 March**, for a discussion and a brochure about our work.

Can you contribute to the History of the Parish? This Parish was instituted in 1946 immediately after WW2 to cater for people who lived in the area, but who were attending West End (by ferry) or Toowong (by bus) or Indooroopilly (by car or on foot). This Parish has its **80th anniversary** this year. **Indooroopilly is celebrating its 100th anniversary**.

We would like to have **reflections** (in writing) from any **original parishioners** of St Thomas Aquinas Parish who are still alive and any baby boomers from that period who came to Mass with their parents and also from those baby boomers who went to the Brigidine School under the old Church. Do you have photos of the old Church, the School under the old Church, or the current Church under construction?

Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the Parish - We have had many interesting suggestions for things that we could do and the **list in on the noticeboard**. Some of these ideas need to be referred to the newly established Liturgy Committee to process. Others are very challenging and will need to be worked through by a separate committee of people with the necessary skills. If you have any other ideas or comments on items in this list, we would like to from you. Please contact the Office.

Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ has made it clear that he wants a properly constituted Parish Pastoral Council with a clear operating charter with definite outcomes to deliver. It will not just be a sounding board for the Priest but will have executive capacity consistent with genuine Synodality. It will be accountable and answerable for its implementation of the Parish Pastoral Plan within the funding available. This means that the Parish Pastoral Plan will be absolutely key to the functioning and priorities of the Parish. This Apostolic Discernment Day will also be held at the Faber Centre and facilitated by them. The date will be set when Fr Greg Jacobs SJ has recovered from surgery.

Placement of the Donated painting of St Joseph with the Child Jesus - **Catherine Baudet**, who has long been the architectural advisor to the Parish, has looked into the issue and advised the Liturgy Committee that it should not be placed in the side-chapel but in the main body of the Church in a location where it will be seen by Parishioners and visitors as they enter the rear and side doors.