

## ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA

### 21<sup>st</sup> December 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**:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	BSB 064786	ACC 100007132
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	BSB 064786	ACC 100007130
Musicians Fund	BSB 064129	ACC 10509763

**Reconciliation:** *None until further notice.*      **Phone:** 3371 5860  
**Office Hours:** Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am to 12:30 pm (*Call First*).  
Friday 9:30am to 12:30 pm.

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A recording of **Fr Frank's book launch** last Friday is available at the following link:  
<https://soundcloud.com/frank-brennan-6/brisbane-launch-2>. Fr Frank has left a box of the books at Toowong Parish office, which are for sale at \$25.00 each.

St Alberto Hurtado Jesuit Community - **Christmas Mass Times:**

**St Lucia** Christmas Eve: 5:30pm and 7pm. Christmas Day: 9am; **Indooroopilly** Christmas Eve: Carols at 5:30pm, Mass at 6pm, Christmas Day: 8:30am; **St Ignatius** Christmas Eve: 6pm (Oval); 9pm (Church), Christmas Day: 7am (Church); 8am (Auchenflower).

Save the Dates **Indooroopilly Parish – Celebrating 100 years** of faith and community 1926-2026. Starting **14<sup>th</sup> March**, please see noticeboard events which include **Archbishop Shane** and **Archbishop Emeritus Mark**, and **Fr Tom Elich**.

**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.

**Advent resources**, including daily reflections are now available from the Archdiocese at [www.adventplus.com.au](http://www.adventplus.com.au). See noticeboard for more information.

- **Christmas Balloons** – We currently have 11 volunteers. Please feel free to attend either session below at your convenience. **21<sup>st</sup> December after this Sunday morning Mass**, cutting ribbons and preparation, and **24<sup>th</sup> December 1pm and 3pm** for inflating the balloons.
- **Special Ministers and Readers** – please contact the office if you are able to help.
- **Dusting Working Bee** – Has been changed to **21<sup>st</sup> December** after this Sunday morning Mass for 2 hours, alongside the balloon's preparation above. Attend at your convenience.
- The 9:30 Sunday Morning **Choir** at St Thomas Aquinas traditionally **leads the singing at the two Christmas Eve Masses** (5:30 pm and 7:00 pm). Christmas Eve rehearsal is usually 30-45 minutes prior to the 5:30 Mass and there is a short break for refreshments between Masses. **Anyone interested in singing is very welcome.**

If you would like to **get involved this Christmas**, there are plenty of opportunities. Please attend the above events **at your convenience**.

**2026 Catholic Leader printed subscriptions** are now available at [www.catholicleader.com.au/subscribe](http://www.catholicleader.com.au/subscribe). Copies to read are available in the reading room.

**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, O Wisdom from on high,  
Who orders all things mightily;  
To us the path of knowledge show,  
And teach us in her ways to go.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel.

#### 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

2) For he is our childhood's pattern,  
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.

**Refrain: Sing to the mountains;** sing to the sea Raise your voices, lift your hearts.  
This is the day the Lord has made, Let all the earth rejoice.

I will give thanks to you, my Lord You have answered my plea.  
You have saved my soul from death You are my strength and my song.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord Heaven and earth are full of your glory.