

## ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH – ST LUCIA

26<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### MASS TIMES:

Sunday	9 am, 6.00 pm
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: No Reconciliation this week. Phone: 3371 5860

**Office Hours:** Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:30am to 12:30 pm.

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Today is the first Sunday of **Lent**. Readings are from Year A.

**Fr Dudley McMahon**, a retired priest, formerly from Longreach and Caloundra parishes will be celebrating all Masses next weekend. Fr Pat will return the weekend after.

There will be **no reconciliation** this Saturday. Instead of Friday morning Mass there will be a Communion service at 9:30am. At 10:30 the Women's Day of Prayer will be conducted in the church as per the notice below.

This year **St Lucia** is hosting the **World Day of Prayer** hour at 10.30am this **Friday 3rd March**.

The prayers have been prepared by the women of Taiwan. We will be joined by members of the **Uniting Church of St Lucia** and **Christ Church Anglican**.

There will be **morning tea** in the hall after the service. Please plan to come and participate in the service. For further information, or if you are willing to assist, please contact **Lyn Fletcher** on 33786743 or 0407164274.

The **Receipts** for the parish (second) collection will be posted this week plus a full income and expenditure statement. If you feel there is some **mistake**, please contact the office on the above email address or phone. It is important that we discover how the mistake was made.

What is so significant is that our income for the parish collection for the 3 years of COVID is \$500,520, which **exceeds** the income for the 3 years before that by over \$1000. So our **income** from the **collection** has remained **the same with COVID**. Congratulations to all.

**Sisterhood Catholic Women's Conference** is a weekend for women aged 18 + to grow in their faith and encounter a community of like-minded Catholic women committed to their faith.

The conference will be held at The Tops Conference Centre at Stanwell Tops **17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> March**. This is a live in weekend. Places are limited.

The cost is \$320.00 which covers accommodations and meals for the whole weekend.

Women can register online [www.sisterhood.org.au](http://www.sisterhood.org.au)

Please email [info@sisterhood.org](mailto:info@sisterhood.org) if you have any questions or call Ally on 0423429203.

A special **Lenten Retreat** is being held at Sunnybank parish from **March 2<sup>nd</sup> to March 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Details are on the noticeboard.

*Refrain:* **Come to the water!** You who are thirsty!

Though you have nothing, I bid you come!

And be filled with the goodness I have to offer! Come! Listen! Live.

Why spend your money on what cannot fill The emptiness deep in your heart?  
Listen to My word and you will enjoy Goodness and peace in your heart! *Refrain*

Just as the heavens are high above earth; My ways and thoughts beyond you!  
Call me your Father and know I am near! I will be Father to you! *Refrain*

**O Lord, hear my prayer,** O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song, The Lord is my praise All my Hope comes from God  
The Lord is my Song, The Lord is my Praise, God, the wellspring of life.

**Firmly I believe and truly** God is Three and God is One;  
and I next acknowledge duly manhood taken by the Son.

And I trust and hope most fully in that manhood crucified;  
and each thought and deed unruly do to death as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly light and life and strength belong;  
and I love supremely, solely, him the holy, him the strong.

Praise and thanks be ever given, with and through th'angelic host,  
to the God of earth and heaven, Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

**Rec Dec'd:** Jean Davies.

**Ann:** John Michael Tully.