

## ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA

5<sup>th</sup> July 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**:

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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**This Sunday** is the beginning of **NAIDOC Week**, which is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. You can support and get to know your local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities through activities and events held across the country. See noticeboard or [www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au) for more info.

**Caritas** Australia's partner, NATSICC, has produced resources to support parishioners to celebrate **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday** this Sunday. <https://www.natsicc.org.au/resources-data/sunday-resources-2025-bletd>

**ALPHA** - this is a program for those interested in exploring or deepening their faith journey. We start with a meal, then watch a video and then share about what has touched us. The next program will run at St Lucia Parish Hall starting from **Friday 14 August** at 6:30pm. Come for this introduction and see if it fits for you! RSVP to the Parish office or [jacobsg@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:jacobsg@bne.catholic.net.au) for enquiries and catering purposes.

The **St Ignatius Young Adults** will be having an event later this month. To stay updated and see upcoming events please visit our Facebook page "St Ignatius Young Adults"

**Re-instituting the Nursing Mothers and Infants Retreat** in the rear vestibule of the Church. A brand-new children's table and 4 chairs have been donated. These should be installed next weekend. **New speakers** are being sourced to replace the "supermarket" speakers that failed after the sound system upgrade.

**Music** – Two of our main organists have left to go on tour, and one is currently on long service leave. We have tried to find replacements, but we have not been successful. Throughout July and August there will be Masses without music.

**Pope Leo XIV's Encyclical Letter** on Safeguarding the Human Person in the time of AI. A small number of copies are available for \$15 each. Contact Ross P. [rpitt4@icloud.com](mailto:rpitt4@icloud.com).

**Post-Mass Fellowship** - The opportunity provided after Sunday Mass last week to meet your fellow Parishioners and regular Visitors was successful and will be repeated at intervals. Next time we will encourage the wearing of name badges.

**Training of Altar Servers** at Mass on Sundays - Chris M. will soon start training his eldest son Ambrose to be an Altar Server. Chris is willing to train others to be Altar Servers (children, teenagers, and adults). Talk to him after Mass.

**Formal Welcome** at the start of Mass on Sunday - Given the positive response to date for the trial of this change, it will be continued.

**Re-instituting the Bearing the Gifts to the Altar (Sunday Mass)** - In July we will start asking Parishioners to take the gifts to the altar. This will be done randomly on the day so as to involve as many lay people as possible in the Mass rituals.

**Children's Liturgy** - At a very productive meeting of the Liturgy Committee with the convenors of the Ironside SS RI program and the Community of Communities Sacramental Program it was decided that the initial focus of the Children's liturgy should be pre-schoolers. Now that we have a children's table and chairs being delivered, we can begin the program. Helen H. will begin conducting the program, probably from **Sunday 19th July**.

**Communion in Two Species at Weekend Masses** - To offer Communion in two species we need more Special Ministers. We are still looking for volunteers to be on a once-a-month roster for this task. Please talk to Nev F. or Liz J. after Mass.

**Invitation to join the Choir** - Please think about joining the choir on Sunday morning. Practice is from 9am to 9.30am before Mass. The weekly tuition from the Choir Director/Organist is excellent. Come along and try it.

**Weekly Maintenance Update:** Cleaners were here on Friday for 5 hours cleaning under pews and in corners. The finance committee will discuss/decide future cleans. Also, pews have been re-polished. Stain glass repair and guttering cleaning is being organised next.