

ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH – ST LUCIA
8th December 2024

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 nd Collection	BSB 064786	ACC 100007132
1 st Collection	BSB 064786	ACC 100007130
Musicians Fund	BSB 064129	ACC 10509763

Reconciliation: None until further notice **Phone:** 3371 5860
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How our Church is changing, 1964 – 2024: from Vatican II - St Ignatius Church to the Synod. 30 Kensington Terrace, Toowong. The key speaker: **Bishop Shane Mackinlay** member of both sessions of the Roman Synod on Synodality. Joined by: Leading Ecumenist, **Margaret Naylor. Tuesday, 10 Dec, 7.30pm – 9.00pm. All welcome. Also online.** What will be the washup now for the Church after the final session of the Vatican Synod on Synodality? What might change for us? More information on the noticeboard.

Expressions of Interest Religious Instructors - The Catholic Religious Instruction team at Ironside State School, St Lucia, is seeking EOIs from parishioners who wish to offer some of their time to the religious instruction of children in Grades 1 to 6. Even offering one hour per week or a casual relief session for a catechist who is away on occasion, would be a precious commitment to this work. Contact Anne pastoral.jesuit@bne.catholic.net.au.

Ignite Youth Summer Camp is a Catholic four-day cap up in the mountains of the Sunshine Coast for high schoolers (going into grades 7-12 in 2025) over the summer holiday. Details: **9th-12th of January**, QCCC Mapleton (with bus transportation available from Brisbane). For more information visit <https://igniteyouth.com/summercamp>. Please email Claire at y.corindagraceville@bne.catholic.net.au to express interest. You can encourage them to invite friends. If we can get a group of over 10, ticket prices will be brought down to \$330 individually, with the possibility of the parish chipping in a small subsidy for each participant. Kindly provide your expression of interest by 15th December.

Musician Fund receipts have been sent out for donations up to last Friday. If you are missing your receipt after next week, please contact the office.

Readers, Special Ministers and Collectors are needed for the 5.30pm and 7.00pm Masses on **Christmas Eve**. If you would like to volunteer, please put your name and email address on the back table clipboard or contact Benjamin at the office.

Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ has released **Christmas Mass times** below. You can find Mass times for the whole of St Alberto Hurtado Community on our website and the noticeboard.

St Thomas Aquinas Church, St Lucia:

Christmas Eve: 5:30 pm Mass **Christmas Day:** 9:00 am Mass
7:00 pm Mass

The **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal** will take place on **14th and 15th December**. Donations are used to support people in the **St Lucia** and **Indooroopilly** communities over the next six months. Needy families are also provided with a Christmas Hamper. You will be able to **donate cash or provide credit card details** on the **envelopes provided**.

Refrain: A voice in the wilderness calls to prepare,
For we are standing on the edge of changes.
Across the desert sand and the mountain high, The Lord is coming, make your way.

I will hear what the Lord will say, A voice of peace for all his people,
His voice is never far for those who know His glory dwelling in our land.. *Refrain*

Faithfulness and mercy have met, Peace and justice have embraced here.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth And justice look down from the sky. *Refrain*

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast; Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in Thy tide, Wash me with water flowing from Thy side.

Strength and protection may Thy Passion be; O Blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
Deep in Thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me; So shall I never, never part from Thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign; In death's dread moments make me only Thine;
Call me and bid me come to Thee on high,
When I may praise Thee with Thy saints for aye.

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.