



St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate Parish, Balcatta

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St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate Church
392 Albert Street
Balcatta WA 6021

Masses Mon to Sat 9am; Sat 6pm (Vigil);
Sun 8.30am, 10am (Italian), 12pm (Croatian) and 5pm
1st Fri of Month: 7.30pm

Reconciliation (also by appointment)

Tue to Fri 8.40am-8.55am, Sat 5.15pm-5.50pm
1st Friday 8.30am-8.55am and 7.10pm-7.25pm

Rosary prayed at St Lawrence Mon to Sat 9.30am

Perpetual Adoration Chapel 24hr access contact office

Piety Shop & Parish Library for lovely gifts & resources



St Theresa Church
678 North Beach Road
Gwelup WA 6018
(In Mt La Verna Retirement Village)

Masses Wed 10.30am & Sun 11.30am

Reconciliation After Sun 11.30am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Wed 11am-12pm,
1st Sunday of the month 11am-11.30am

Rosary prayed at St Theresa Mon to Sat 4.15pm

Parish Meetings From Monday 23rd December

Mon 9.30am	Catholic Meditation Group
Mon 1.00pm	Italian Choir Practice
Mon 7.30pm	English Choir Practice for Christmas
Thur 7.30pm	Legion of Mary
Sun 10.00am	Rosary League (Malayalam/English)



Sincere Condolences to

The family and friends of Rosa Leone,
Stanley Russell and Henrica (Ricky) Fogliani
on their passing.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.



Pope's Prayer Intention for December

That every country take the measures
necessary to prioritize the future of the very
young, especially those who are suffering.

PARISH NEWS 22—29 Dec

Liturgical Calendar

Sun 22 Dec	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Wed 25 Dec	The Nativity of the Lord— <i>Solemnity</i>
Thur 26 Dec	St Stephen— <i>Feast</i>
Fri 27 Dec	St John— <i>Feast</i>
Sat 28 Dec	The Holy Innocents— <i>Feast</i>
Sun 29 Dec	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph— <i>Feast</i>

New Air-Con for St Lawrence Church

As you know, in the last few weeks we have had some hot days. It was noticed and experienced by everyone who came to St Lawrence Church as our old evaporative air-conditioning system did not cope well enough. The north and south units still work, but the two units above the entrance need repair. One may be fixable by replacing a solenoid while the other needs a new motor costing over \$1000. The advice from the repair company is not to spend any more money on this old system and replace it with split units. The whole matter of the air-conditioning system in the church was discussed at our Finance Committee some months ago and it has been agreed that this issue needs to be addressed in the near future. It looks like the time has come to undertake the replacement project now. We have decided to install Solar panels on all three buildings (Church, Alverna Hall and Presbytery) in Jan 2020 and then install the new split system in the church. *If you would like to contribute towards this major project for the church please use the special envelopes marked 'New Air-Con for St Lawrence Church' and place it into the second collection basket at Mass.* Thank you very much in anticipation for your generous support. *Fr Emil*

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE SALVATORIANS



Dear Parishioners,
Each year the Australian Region of Salvatorians are humbled by the overwhelming support from all the Salvatorian parishes across Australia. Our community is also sincerely grateful for the generous donations received throughout this year to support the formation of our seminarians and missionary projects. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry and safe Christmas with a joyous new year. May God continue to bless you abundantly.

Fr George Kolodziej, Regional Superior



Parish Cuppa this Sun 22nd Dec

Join us for the last Cuppa this year after Masses at 8.30am, 10am (Italian), 11.30am (Gwelup) and 5pm.

Choir Practice for Christmas

Monday 23rd Dec at 7.30pm in church.
Come join us and sing joy to our world!



Children's Christmas Eve Nativity Play—Rehearsal Dates 2019



The last rehearsal for the Parish Nativity Play for our popular Christmas Eve 6pm Mass will be held on **Mon 23rd December from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.** Queries contact Toni on 0416 309 483 or toni.mattiaccio@cewa.edu.au.

End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

Tues 31st Dec at 5pm St Lawrence Church

Everyone is welcome to join us in expressing our gratitude to God for all the blessings received this year, which helped us to move forward, grow and enjoy life.

New Defibrillator and First Aid Kits for the Parish

A defibrillator that is suitable for adults and children has been installed outside at the back of the Alverna Centre in a white and green safety case. If you need to use the Defibrillator, call 000, tell them your location and ask for the code to unlock the safety case. New First Aid kits are now available in the office, kitchen and church library. If any items are used, please let the office know so that we can replace the items in the kit.



Volunteers Needed

More volunteers to assist with serving our end of month cuppas and ushers are needed. If you can help call Judith on 0408 115 542.

WA Young Salesians Summer Camp 6-10 January

If you are between 12-15 yrs, come and join us for this 5 day fun-filled camp at Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup. Lots of indoor and outdoor games and activities including swimming, amazing race, bush walks, arts & crafts, gold rush, mini Olympics, monster wars, camp Masses and lots of fun challenges. From only \$200 (\$40 a day). Contact Graham Maher on 0418 979 600 for details or to pick up a form. Places are filling fast! Register now at www.wayoungsalesians.com.

Christmas Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be
closed from Mon 23 Dec to Mon 6 Jan.
Open for the rest of January on Tue & Thurs only from 9.30am to 12.30pm beginning Tue 7 Jan.
For urgent matters please leave a message on the answering machine for the priests or call Fr Emil on 0408 447 062.



A little thought for the week:

Make peace with your past, so it won't spoil the present.



CHRISTMAS CALENDAR 2019

St Lawrence, Balcatta

Christmas Eve Tuesday 24 Dec

Children's Nativity Vigil Mass **6.00pm**
Carols **11.30pm** then Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Wednesday 25 Dec

7.00am & 8.30am Mass English
10.30am Mass Italian
12 noon Mass Croatian
NO Evening Mass on Christmas Day

St Theresa, Gwelup

Christmas Eve Tuesday 24 Dec

Carols 6pm then Mass **6.30pm**

Christmas Day Wednesday 25 Dec

11am Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 21 Dec

9am +Giosue Fazzari
6pm +Lita Favazzi 1st anniversary

Sun 22 Dec

8.30am God's blessing, good health and long life for Graham Geoghegan on his birthday
10am (Italian) +Giovina Di Giovancesario 10th anniv
5pm +Gaetano Ioppolo 1st anniversary

Mon 23 Dec

9am +Melina Zito

Tues 24 Dec

9am +Francesco Pizzino

Wed 25 Dec

7am +Angelo Zito
8.30am God's blessings for Sr Immacolata and Sr Patricia
10.30am (Italian) +Luigi Palazzolo 8th anniversary

Thurs 26 Dec

9am God's blessing for Sr Immacolata and Sr Patricia

Fri 27 Dec

9am +Maria Le Donne

Sat 28 Dec

9am Thanksgiving for Louis and Celestine Lobo
6pm +Josip and Josephine Juricev

Sun 29 Dec

8.30am +Michele and Tonino Le Donne and all deceased members of the Le Donne family
10am (Italian) +Peter Gervasi
11.30am (Gwelup) +Umberto Del Borrello 2nd anniv
5pm God's blessing for Kenneth and Maria Pang on their wedding anniversary

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri di Questa Settimana

Lun 13.00 Coro Italiano

Calendario Liturgico

Mer 25	Natale del Signore
Gio 26	S. Stefano
Ven 27	S. Giovanni
Sab 28	Santi Innocenti
Dom 29	Sacra Famiglia



Perpetual Adoration Chapel Open 24hrs 'Are You Not Able to Stay With Me One Hour?'

Please join the roster and commit to a Holy Hour with Jesus every week. Vacant time slots are:

Sun: 12am-2am, 5.30-8am, 1-3pm, 4-6pm, 10-11pm	Mon: 2-3am, 5-7am, 11-12pm, 1-2pm, 4-6pm, 10pm-12am
Tue: 6-7am, 11am-12pm, 8-9pm, 11pm-12am	Wed: 12am-1am, 2am-3am, 12pm-1pm
Thur: 4-5am, 7-8am, 12-1pm, 2-5pm, 6-7pm	Fri: 2am-3am, 12pm-1pm, 7pm-8pm, 10pm-12am
Sat: 12-1am, 9-10am, 11am-3pm, 4-6pm, 7-8pm, 10pm-12am	

Pastoral care of the sick: Contact the Parish office if you know anyone who would like to be included in the bulletin for our prayers during Mass or if they would like a priest to visit them at home or hospital.

Please pray for our sick parishioners: Mariella Caroe, Lily Comande, Joanne Di Loreto, Ada, Maria Gotti, Patricia Lewin, Bayley Starr, Ric Jarvis, Roger Pipe, Linda Callisto, Dorothy Lewin, Robyn Dodd, Tennille Stokes, Anna, Mona Bullock, Belinda Forster, John Glamuzina, Terry Scoby-Smith, Zoe Dawson, Michelle Glover, Joseph, Frances Morley, Jude, Joclyn D'Silva, Bevan and all the sick in need of our prayers.

