

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 6th January

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

Masses at Nursina Homes

Thurs 9 Jan Baptistcare, Gwelup



A little thought for the week: No one is in charge of your happiness except you.

Prayer Group

For prayers to receive a gift of liberation and healing. call 9349 6578 or 0417 911 005.



PARISH NEWS 5—12 Jan

Liturgical Calendar

Sun 5 Jan The Epiphany of the Lord—Solemnity Sun 12 Jan The Baptism of the Lord—Feast

Oberammergau—Medjugorje Pilgrimage 7th-24th Sept 2020 \$6680 (twin share)



Includes return economy airfares, superior hotel accommodation, breakfast and dinner, all entrances and tipping of guides/bus driver. Come journey with us as we visit sacred

in Germany, Slovenia, Croatia and Bosnia. Experience the world-famous Passion Play held every ten years in the village of Oberammergau, Germany and visit Medjugorje, a place of peace and prayer. Limited seats available. For more information please call Judy David for a detailed itinerary on 0423 167 583 or email j.david494@gmail.com.



Baptism Prayers

We pray for Connor Cicchini who will be baptised this Sunday and for his family. We welcome them to our Parish Community.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January Promotion of World Peace We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.



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.

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:

\$un: 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

\$at: 12-1am, 9-10am, 11am-3pm, 4-6pm, 7-8pm, 10pm-12am

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 January 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

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.



There will be no Croatian Mass on Sunday 12th January

Plenary Council—Second Stage

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The 'Listening and Discernment' phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment

on the National Themes for Discernment. How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is: Missionary and evangelising; Inclusive, participatory and synodal; Prayerful and Eucharistic; Humble, healing and merciful; A joyful, hope-filled and servant community; Open to conversion, renewal and reform? Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern", at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 4 Jan

9am God's blessing for Concetta Zito **6pm** For vocations

Sun 5 Jan

8.30am +Celestina Malaspina 1st anniversary 10am (Italian) +Maria Carbone and Maria Stella Faraone

11.30am (Gwelup) 5pm God's blessing for Concetta Zito

Mon 6 Jan 9am +Maria and Umberto Tutolo

Tues 7 Jan 9am God's blessing for Concetta Zito

Wed 8 Jan

9am God's blessing for Concetta Zito

Thurs 9 Jan 9am God's blessing for Concetta Zito

Fri 10 Jan

9am +Claudina and Joseph Fernandes

Sat 11 Jan

9am +Vincenzo, Pietro, Rosa and Domenico

6pm +Nicola Menna

Sun 12 Jan

8.30am

10am (Italian) +Maria Le Donne

11.30am (Gwelup)

5pm +Domenica and Giuseppe Petrarca and all deceased family members

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri di Questa Settimana Coro Italiano

13.00

Calendario Liturgico

Epifania

Battesimo di Gesù

Join St Lawrence Youth Group



On Sundays from 6pm-8pm in the Alverna Parish Hall for fellowship, food and fun. Contact Elysha 0481 133 229 or Stephen 0456 821 749

for any queries. We are resuming in February 2020. See you there!

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.

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.