



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: 7pm

Reconciliation (also by appointment)

Tue to Sat 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 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 12th April

Mon 9.30am	Catholic Meditation Group
Mon 1.00pm	Italian Choir
Wed 9.30am	Healing Prayers in Chapel
Wed 4.00pm	St Vincent De Paul
Wed 6.30pm	Baptism Preparation Meeting
Wed 7.30pm	Personal Advocacy
Thur 2.00pm	Legion of Mary
Sun 10.00am	Rosary League (Malayalam/English)
Sun 2.30pm	Secular Franciscans Balcatta Fraternity

ALL PARISH DONATIONS

INCLUDING FOR PLANNED GIVING CAN BE MADE
VIA DIRECT DEBIT TO THE BANK ACCOUNTS BELOW:

1st Collection: Fr Emil Ciecierega
BSB: 086 006, Account No: 687 813 269

2nd Collection: St Lawrence Church
BSB: 086 006, Account No: 665 794 749



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

PARISH NEWS 11—18 April

Adult Faith Education Program: Balcatta Parish Part 2: Strengthening One's Relationship with God: Prayer and Sacraments

The Catechism of the Catholic Church emphasises the importance of prayer and the Sacraments in the life of a Christian. It refers to prayer as the means through which we celebrate our faith in God and enter into a personal relationship with Him (2558). As we do this, the Sacraments mark all the important stages of our Christian life and sustain us in our sense of mission as Christians (1210). Join us as we explore what prayer is, the difference between saying prayers and praying, and how the seven Sacraments can deepen and give meaning to our unique relationship with God.

Dates: Tuesdays, 1—22 June (4 sessions)

From: 7.30pm-8.30pm

With: Sr Margaret Scharf OP and Fr Vincent Glynn

At: Balcatta Parish, 392 Albert St, Balcatta

This course is a 4-part series on: Scripture, Prayer and Sacraments, Christian Anthropology and Catholic Values. To register, please call the parish office on 9344 7066 or email balcatta@perthcatholic.org.au

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

The parishes of Balcatta and Nollamara will jointly begin the RCIA course later in the year. If you are interested in coming to see what Catholics believe or if you would like to become Catholic, please let us know by contacting one of the numbers below for further information.

BALCATT: Contact Jo 0416 509 685, Bronwyn 0400 248 902 or the Parish Office 9344 7066.

NOLLAMARA: Contact Cathy 0427 778 835, Terry 0413 389 773 or the Parish Office 9345 5541.

We ask parishioners to pray for an open-hearted response to this invitation. The task of preparing and accompanying new members for initiation into the Catholic Church is the privilege and responsibility of the whole community.

Volunteers Lunch 1pm and Parish Annual Community Meeting 2pm Sunday 2nd May

Please join us for a social get together for all volunteers and the Parish Annual Community Meeting. The Parish Pastoral Council invites the many parishioners who support and are actively involved in the life of the Parish to a Thank You Lunch at 1pm in the Alverna Centre. Please add your name to the RSVP list in the church foyer for catering purposes.

The Parish Annual Community Meeting (ACM) will commence at 2pm and everyone is welcome. Nominations for the Parish Pastoral Council can be made by using the Nomination forms at the back of the church. We strongly encourage you to consider nominating people who you believe would make a valuable contribution to our Parish Pastoral Council. Please return completed forms to one of the priests or Parish Office.

Leaders of the various Parish Groups are asked to prepare a short report which will be placed on the noticeboard for parishioners to read on the day of the ACM. Reports are to be sent to the Parish Office by Tuesday 27th April. Thank you for all that you do for our Parish Community. Enquiries to Lorraine Stonham on 0419 801 545 (evenings).

Feast of Divine Mercy—Sun 11th April at 3pm

The Second Sunday of Easter is called Divine Mercy Sunday. We are invited to reflect on the great gift of God's mercy and how we show mercy and forgiveness to others as our response of gratitude to God for the mercy shown to us. We will have a special devotion to the Divine Mercy on Sunday 11th April at 3pm at St Lawrence Church. All welcome!



Seeking New Altar Servers

For children in Year 4 and above, if you would like to become an altar server please complete an application form from the church foyer. Training is held on **Mondays at 3.15pm** in church. Next training session on Mon 19th April. Apply now!

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

The Children's Liturgy team needs a few extra volunteers to help them run the liturgy program for the kids on Sundays during the 5pm Mass. Helpers are generally rostered on once a month. No experience is needed, just a love to help nurture the children's faith. If you can assist, please email the parish office balcatta@perthcatholic.org.au or call on 9344 7066 for further information. *University students studying education will find this experience useful.*

Parish Youth Group Sun 6-8pm in the Alverna Hall

Inviting all youth in Years 6-12 to join us for spiritual development, fellowship, food and fun!



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 10 April

9am +Leone Musca

6pm +Manuel Leite

Sun 11 April

8.30am

10am (Italian) +Maria Scurria

11.30am (Gwelup) God's blessing for good health, guidance and protection for Amanda and Peter on their birthdays

5pm

Mon 12 April

9am +Michele and Palma Zito

Tues 13 April

9am

Wed 14 April

9am +Giuseppe, Caterina & Salvatore Tomeo

10.30am (Gwelup)

Thur 15 April

9am +Tony Marcon 38th anniversary

Fri 16 April

9am

Sat 17 April

No 9am Mass

8.45am +Public Viewing Rosemary Kinsey

9.00am+ Rosary Rosemary Kinsey

9.30am +Mass Rosemary Kinsey

6pm +Angelo, Caterina and Joseph Trivisonno

Sun 18 April

8.30am +Manuel De Castro, Armindo De Castro and Augusta Nunes

10am (Italian) Thanksgiving to Our Lady for blessings received

11.30am (Gwelup) Irene Human 3rd anniversary

5pm +Lita Favazzi

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri di Questa Settimana

Lun 13.00 Coro Italiano

Parish Office Hours

During the Easter school holidays, the office will be open on **13th and 15th April from 9.30am-12.30pm**. Normal office hours resume on Tues 20th April from 9am-2.30pm. If the office is unattended please leave a message on 9344 7066.

Volunteer Ushers

If you are able to assist as an usher at any of the weekend Masses, please call Judith on 0408 115 542 or the parish office. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Transport Needed

A lady who lives in Karrinyup requires transport to Sunday 8.30am Mass. If you are able to assist please 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: Sandra Vilardi, 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, Richard M, Bernadine Rodrigues, Colleen Player and all the sick.