



## 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 10th May

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| Mon  | 1.00pm  | Italian Choir                          |
| Wed  | 9.30am  | Healing Prayers in Chapel              |
| Wed  | 4.00pm  | St Vincent De Paul                     |
| Wed  | 6.30am  | Baptism Preparation Meeting            |
| Wed  | 7.30pm  | Personal Advocacy                      |
| Thur | 10.00am | Incontro con Gesù and Maria            |
| Thur | 2.00pm  | Legion of Mary                         |
| Sun  | 10.00am | Rosary League (Malayalam/English)      |
| Sun  | 2.00pm  | Christian Life Program                 |
| Sun  | 2.30pm  | Secular Franciscan 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

## PARISH NEWS 9—23 May

### Liturgical Calendar

Fri 14 May St Matthias—Feast

### 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—15 June (3 sessions)**

**From: 7.30pm-8.30pm**

**With: Sr Margaret Scharf OP and Fr Vincent Glynn**

**At: Balcatta Parish, 392 Albert St, Balcatta**

**Suggested donation: \$5 per session**

This course belongs to 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](mailto:balcatta@perthcatholic.org.au)

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults— RCIA INQUIRY NIGHT

#### Thinking about joining the CATHOLIC CHURCH?

The parishes of Balcatta and Nollamara will jointly begin the RCIA course later this year. An inquiry night will be held at **St Lawrence on Wed 23rd June starting 7.30pm.**

If you know someone who is interested to learn what Catholics believe or if they would like to become Catholic, we'd love to see them there. For further information, please feel free to contact one of the numbers below.

**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 all parishioners to pray for an open-hearted response to this invitation.



## Happy Mother's Day—Sunday 9th May

Dear Mothers, On this special day we would like to express our gratitude to you for letting God pour his love upon us through your motherly love that you so generously share with your children, families and people around you. We pray that our Lord will protect you and our Lady be always an inspiration for you of how to continue following your noble calling in life to be the best possible mother. Wishing you a Happy Mother's Day!

### Why do we celebrate Mother's Day and other special occasions?

*There are times when we let favours go unmentioned,  
When we leave a warm and loving word unsaid,  
There are times when we forget our kind intentions,  
When we're wrapped up in our private world instead.*

*But though we often fail to show our feelings,  
We hope the ones we love will somehow know—  
And that's why there are days meant for revealing  
The love we feel but may not always show.* (Mary D. Hughes)



## Beatification of Fr Francis Jordan Founder of the Salvatorian Order

On Saturday 15th May Fr Francis Jordan will be beatified in Rome. This is the biggest event in the history of the Salvatorians. We will celebrate this special occasion at all

Masses next weekend. As we can't travel to Rome, we can watch the celebrations via live streaming on the internet at <https://telepacenews.it/diretta/>

**First Part: Rite of Beatification at the Basilica of St John Lateran—Saturday 15th May at 4.30pm (Perth time).**

**Second Part: Mass of Thanksgiving for the new Blessed Francis Jordan at St Peter's Basilica—Sunday 16th May at 9pm (Perth time).**



### May—the Month of Mary

The month of May is dedicated to our Spiritual Mother, Mary. It gives us an opportunity to renew and deepen our relationship with Mary and in doing so come closer to Jesus. We encourage you to pray the Rosary, the Angelus, the Litany of Our Lady and any prayers which you find helpful to stay close to Mary. Little suggestion: To remember about praying the Angelus every day at midday, (if you can't hear the church bell) you may put a reminder on your mobile phone.

### COUPLES FOR CHRIST—Balcatta Parish

Couples For Christ Aust invites you to the **Christian Life Program** on **Sunday 9th May at 2pm in the Alverna Hall**, continuing over consecutive Sundays. This is open to the entire family to help you to know God better and enrich your faith through a series of talks and group sessions. For enquiries please call Mike on 0419 962 755.

**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.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sat 8 May

**9am** God's blessing for good health and long life for Anthony D'Souza on his birthday  
**6pm** +Veronica Williams 10th anniversary

### Sun 9 May

**8.30am** +Threisamma Pazhooparambil 10th anniversary and all souls in purgatory  
**10am** (Italian) +Maria Domenica and Giusto Di Lallo and Serafino Pierluigi  
**11.30am** (Gwelup) God's blessing for good health, guidance and protection for Kay and Peter on their birthdays  
**5pm** +Luiza and Paul D'Souza

### Mon 10 May

**9am** Thanksgiving to St Anthony for favours received

### Tues 11 May

**9am** +Adolf, Lino and Florence Figueiredo

### Wed 12 May

**9am** +Robert Sadler

### Sat 15 May

**9am**  
**6pm** +Connie Ialacci and Mick Spadaccini

### Sun 16 May

**8.30am** +Joseph Pazhooparambil 29th anniversary and all souls in purgatory  
**10am** (Italian) +Domenico Casalanguida 14th anniversary  
**11.30am** (Gwelup)  
**5pm** +Adolf, Lino and Florence Figueiredo

## NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

### Incontri di Questa Settimana

Lun 13.00 Coro Italiano  
Gio 10.00 Incontro con Gesù e Maria

### Calendario Liturgico

Ven 14 S. Mattia

## Baptism Prayers

*We pray for Charlie Diletti and Aspen Velharris who receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. We also pray for their families and welcome them all to our Parish Community.*



### Pope's Prayer Intention for May

*Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.*

### Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

If you are able to be a helper for the Children's Liturgy team leaders at 5pm Sunday Mass please call the parish office on 9344 7066. Your help is appreciated!



### 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