

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 6.40-6.55pm

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 24th January

Healing Prayers in Chapel Wed 9.30am Wed 7.00pm Personal Advocacy Legion of Mary Thur 2.00pm

Sun 10.00am Rosary League (Malayalam/English)

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

Thank you for your generosity and support!

PARISH NEWS 23—30 Jan

Liturgical Calendar

Mon 24 Jan Tue 25 Jan Fri 28 Jan

St Francis de Sales—Memorial The Conversion of St Paul—Feast St Thomas Aguinas—Memorial



Parish Office Hours for January

The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am—12.30pm only

For urgent matters please leave a message for the office on 9344 7066 or for emergencies call 0408 447 062.

Feasts of the Lord in Ordinary Time

Both Eastern and Western Churches celebrate in common three feasts of the Lord: the Transfiguration, the Triumph of the Cross and the Dedication of the Church. According to one ancient tradition, the Transfiguration of Jesus took place 40 days before his crucifixion. Thus this feast on the 6th August takes place 40 days before the feast of the Triumph of the Cross on the 14th September.

Historically, the feast of the Transfiguration began as a commemoration of the dedication of the great church on Mount Tabor, where Jesus appeared in glory to Peter, James and John. The Triumph of the Cross recalls both St Helen's finding of the remains of the True Cross on Mount Calvary, and the recovery of the precious relics of the Cross in 630AD, after having been captured by the Persians and kept by them for 16 years.

By the 11th century, the Feast of the Dedication was adopted by the Church to commemorate on the 9th November the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, the official seat of the Bishop of Rome, as a celebration of the unity of the Church around Peter's successor.

Four other feasts of the Lord are observed only in the West: Trinity Sunday (the Sunday after Pentecost). Corpus Christi (the Sunday after Trinity), the Sacred Heart of Jesus (the Friday following Corpus Christi) and Christ the King (the last Sunday of the liturgical year). Rather than recalling events in the life of Christ and the Church, these feasts focus on mysteries of the faith: the triune nature of God, the Eucharist, the saving love of Christ and his universal kingship.

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:

Tue: 6am-7am, 11am-12noon, 5-8pm, 9pm-12am **Wed**: 12am-5am, 3-7pm, 10pm-12am **Thur:** 12am-4am, 8am-9am, 12pm-1pm, 4pm-7pm

Fri: 1-2am, 4-6am, 7-8am, 12pm-2pm, 3-4pm, 5-7pm, 9pm-12am

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\$un: 12am-2am, 5.30am-11am, 1-3pm, 4-5pm, 6-7pm **Mon**: 12am-2am, 4-7am, 11am-1pm, 2-3pm, 4-5pm, 6-7pm, 10-11pm

25th Anniversary of the Salvatorians at St Lawrence Parish



Parishioners are warmly invited to celebrate 25 years of the Salvatorians at St Lawrence Parish starting with a

Thanksgiving Mass on Friday 28th January at 6.30pm. Archbishop Timothy Costelloe will be the main celebrant and we will be joined by a number of priests and lay people from the Salvatorian community for this very special Mass.

Unfortunately due to the Covid restrictions, we have decided to cancel the dinner after the Mass.



St Lawrence Piety Store

Open on Sundays 8am-10am

New stock available including Columban calendars and small gifts. (Also available at St Theresa's)

World Day for Consecrated Life

Will be celebrated by the Church on Wednesday 2nd February and in our parish over the weekend of 5th and **6th February**. Please pray for all those who have made commitments to the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.



World Day of the Sick

On Friday 11th February people around the world take the time to pray for the sick and for those who work very hard to alleviate the sufferings of the sick. Faith organisations mark this day especially to

provide the sick with medicines, food, and spiritual guidance. Pope John Paul II initiated the day in 1992 to encourage people to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. February 11th is also the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, which is a name given to the Virgin Mary in honor of the apparitions that were said to have been seen in and around Lourdes, France, by a young girl called Bernadette Soubirous.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 22 January

9am +Rob Langdon 10th anniversary

Sun 23 January

8.30am God's blessing, protection and guidance for Raymond Wilson Snr and Raymond Wilson Jnr on their birthdays

10am (Italian) +Sam Sansalone 3rd anniversary **11.30am** (Gwelup)

5pm

Mon 24 January

9am +For deceased members of the Calogero family

Tues 25 January

9am +Roger Joachim 14th anniversary

Wed 26 January

9am

10.30am (Gwelup)

Thurs 27 January

Sat 29 January

9am +Michelina Bax 2 weeks after death

Fri 28 January 9am

9am

6pm

Sun 30 January

8.30am 10am (Italian) +Vittorio and Alberina Santella 11.30am (Gwelup) +Margerita Rose Valerio

1st anniversary 5pm +Camillo Persichitti 3rd anniversary

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Calendario Liturgico

Lun 24 S. Francesco di Sales Mar 25 Conversione di S. Paolo Ven 28 S. Tommaso d'Aquino

ST VINCENT DE PAUL DONATIONS

A reminder to all parishioners that St Vincent de Paul has a basket in the church foyer for food donations such as canned goods, pasta, cereal and other non-perishable items. We appreciate your generosity.



Deepest Condolences

To the family and friends of Michelina Bax, Biagio Pizzino, Marianna Caroleo and Vittorio Di Virgilio on their passing. Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord.

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: Maria Antoniazzi, Sandra Vilardi, Mariella Caroe, Lily Comande, Roger Pipe, Joanne Di Loreto, Ada, Maria Gotti, Patricia Lewin, Bayley Starr, Ric Jarvis, Dorothy Lewin, Robyn Dodd, Tennille Stokes, Anna, Belinda Forster, John Glamuzina, Scott, Terry Scoby-Smith, Zoe Dawson, Michelle Glover, Joseph, Frances Morley, Jude, Joclyn D'Silva, Bevan, Richard M, Bernadine Rodrigues, Colleen Player, Gaetona Mordini