

# 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 7th February

Wed 9.30am Healing Prayers in Chapel Wed 4.00pm St Vincent De Paul meeting

Wed 7.00pm Personal Advocacy

Thur 10.00am Incontro con Gesù e Maria (Italian)

Thur 2.00pm Legion of Mary

Thur 2.00pm Parish Council meeting

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

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Account No: 665 794 749

Thank you for your generosity and support!

## PARISH NEWS 6—13 Feb

#### **Liturgical Calendar**

Thur 10 Feb

St Scholastica—Memorial

### And then the saints come marching in! (continued)



We can't fail to mention the development of the Church's understanding of Mary's role in the life of Christ and his followers. From her original feast of the 1st January, a variety of other celebrations of Mary have come down to us: her Immaculate Conception, Birth, Presentation, Visitation, Sorrows, Assumption and Queenship—among others.

There have been several attempts down the centuries to "reform" the calendar by removing saints who have only a limited or localised appeal, only to be swamped by new examples of holiness. For example, the Council of Trent swept away a plethora of saints' days, reducing them to less than 200. But by 1900 there were 145 more added. In 1969, the reforms of Vatican Council II saw another "culling", reducing the number of saints' days to less than 180 in order to focus more clearly on the mystery of Christ himself.

Popes of recent times, especially John Paul II, have beatified and canonised many people who were and remain for us outstanding examples of holiness and a true Christian way of life. Behind this idea is a desire to remind us all that holiness of life is not a matter of the past but something that we all should aspire to pursue in our daily

## Volunteers for Adoration Chapel

A request has been made to start a list of those who would be willing to fill in for someone on the Adoration Chapel's roster, who is not able to attend their rostered Holy Hour. When an Adorer needs a substitute, someone on the list may receive a call asking for assistance. The people on the list are not obligated to say "yes", when an Adorer calls them, but if they do, they will have an opportunity to experience a quiet prayer time in front of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist without an on-going commitment. A list will be at the back of the church if anyone would like to add their name. Your assistance is greatly 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:

**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

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

**\$at**: 12am-2am, 6-7am, 9-10am, 11am-3pm, 4pm-12am

## World Day for Consecrated Life—This Weekend

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.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter – Guest Speakers

This weekend we welcome guest speakers Max and Annie Mayes, Richard and Peta Cooper, Richard and Carol Ann Norris, and Kevin and Kerry Townsend who will be speaking at Masses this weekend about Worldwide Marriage Encounter. If you would like to give yourself and your spouse quality time over a weekend that will focus on love, caring and relationship, you are invited to the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on 12th and 13th March at Prendiville Catholic College, Ocean Reef (live-out) or 29th to 31st July at Atrium Hotel, Mandurah (live-in). This may be the best gift you can give to each other in a long time. To book your place, please contact Valerie or Brendon on 0424 220 625, email WAbookings@wwme.org.au or visit the website www.wwme.org.au for more information.

### 25th Anniversary of Salvatorians at Balcatta

Thank you to about 80 parishioners who attended the Anniversary celebration. A number of participants said how much they enjoyed the celebration of this special occasion and at the same time they expressed their disappointment caused by the poor attendance.

Regrettably, I have to say, that I agree with them. Fr Emil

## Parish Lenten Program 2022 "Remember"



One way to prepare for Easter, is to join one of the 5 sharing groups that will be meeting during Lent. If you are interested please add your name to one of the lists at the back of the church.

Let light ships out of larkess - The groups will meet on the following days: Starting Tuesday 1st March at 9.30am in the Alverna meeting room; Wednesday 2nd March at 9am in the Community Centre, Gwelup or 7.30pm in the Alverna Centre or 7.30pm at 31 Landrail Rd, Stirling; Thursday 3rd March at 7.30pm, at 36 Glenwood Way, Balcatta. The book called "Remember" containing short daily Lenten reflections and longer Sunday reflections will be available for \$10 from group leaders.

## Pilgrimage—Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

On Friday 11th February a bus will leave from Infant Jesus Church, Morley at 8.45am sharp, arriving at St John the Baptist Church, Moora at 11am. The day will include transport, picnic lunch, Mass, Procession, Benediction, Divine Mercy, afternoontea. Bus departs from Moora at 4pm. Cost \$60 per person. To book call Francis on 0404 893 877.

## Pope's Prayer Intention for February

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Sat 5 February

9am +Franco Caproni 20th anniversary **6pm** God's blessings for Michelle and her entire family, parish priests, parishioners and souls in Purgatory

#### Sun 6 February

#### 8.30am

10am (Italian) +Caterina and Cosimo Chiera **11.30am** (Gwelup)

#### Mon 7 February

9am +Maria and Umberto Tutolo

**Tues 8 February** 

9am

#### Wed 9 February

9am + Michele Le Donne, Maria Cicconi, Mario Di Cianno and all deceased family members **10.30am** (Gwelup)

#### Thurs 10 February

9am +Michelina Bax 1 month

#### Fri 11 February

9am +Virginia Truncale, Calogero Cusumano, Manuele and Martino Saleme

### Sat 12 February

6pm +Vittorio Di Virgilio 1 month

### Sun 13 February

8.30am

10am (Italian) Thanksgiving for Irma Mannella's 90th birthday

11.30am (Gwelup)

5pm

#### NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

#### Incontri della Settimana

Gio 10.00 Incontro con Gesù e Maria

#### Calendario Liturgico

Gio 10 S. Scolastica



## Deepest Condolences

To the family and friends of Giuseppe Mesiti on his passing. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

## Parish Youth Group resumes this Sunday 6th February 6-8pm

Inviting all youth in Years 6-12 to join us for spiritual enrichment, fellowship, food and fun in the Alverna Hall after the 5pm Mass. If you're interested in finding out more about the Youth Group call Stephen on 0456 821 749.



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