



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 16th May

Mon 3.30pm	Parish Line Dancing
Wed 9.30am	Healing Prayers in Chapel
Wed 7.00pm	Personal Advocacy
Thur 10.00am	Incontro con Gesù e Maria (Italian)
Thur 2.00pm	Legion of Mary
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

Deepest Condolences to the
Family and friends of Rosa Macri, Ida Paolino
and Winandus (Bill) Hendriks on their passing.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.



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

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

PARISH NEWS 15—22 May



Let the Eucharist Change Us

Here is another article to help you refresh, and deepen your understanding and appreciation of the Eucharist by reflecting on different parts and aspects of the Mass.

What do we need to do during each Mass?

Jesus is present during each Eucharist, offering himself in sacrifice to God the Father. To draw upon the power of his Resurrection, we need to join him by offering our own lives with his.

To the extent that each of us does this, Christ unites our offering - and our prayers - to *his*. During each Eucharist, worshippers need to offer God the Father:

...their works, prayers, apostolic undertakings, family and married lives, daily work (or routines), relaxation of mind and body...even the hardships of life if patiently born - all of these become spiritual sacrifice acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. In the celebration of the Eucharist, these may most fittingly be offered to the Father along with the Body of the Lord.

For me, preparation for the Eucharist is among the most important parts of my day. What am I going to offer from my life to unite myself with Jesus' offering of himself? What of my work, my daily routines, my ministry, my projects? What of the temptations, challenges, pressures and anxieties that I face? And what am I going to offer from my relationships, including all to whom I am called to minister, especially the troubled, the sick, the suffering, those who have asked for my prayers.

These are the kinds of questions each of us needs to ask before a Mass. The answers will differ for young and old, married and single, sick and carers, employers and employees - and so on. These answers form the path that leads to the deep joy, consolation and hope that comes with the power of Christ's Resurrection.



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. During May we encourage you to pray the Rosary, the Angelus, the Litany of Our Lady(we sing the Litany after each daily Mass at St Lawrence church) and any prayers, which you find helpful to stay close to Mary. *A little suggestion: To remember about praying the Angelus every day at midday, (if you can't hear the church bell) put a reminder on your mobile phone.*



Special Parish Cuppa this Sunday 15th May after 8.30am Mass for Fr Adam's Birthday!

Everyone is invited to join us in the Alverna hall or at St Theresa's after 11.30 Mass to celebrate this special day.



PARISH CAKE STALL Sat 21st and Sun 22nd May

Parishioners are kindly asked to donate cakes, biscuits or other baked goods for this fundraiser. Please drop off items to the Alverna hall on **Sat 21st 2-4pm** or St Theresa **Sun 22nd 10.30-11.30am**. Cakes will be sold after weekend Masses by our Social Committee. Thank you!

Padre Pio Feast Day—Sunday 29th May at 10am

Followed by procession, benediction and refreshments in the Alverna Hall. With Triduum Prayer Evenings on **Tues 24, Wed 25 and Thurs 26 May at 7pm.**

Adult Faith Formation Seminars

**Rediscovering the Sacraments of Initiation:
Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation**

ON: Wednesdays 8th—29th June

FROM: 7.30pm—8.30pm (4 sessions)

WITH: Dr Carmel Stuart and Fr Vincent Glynn

AT: Balcatta Parish

Suggested Donation: \$5 per session

The building blocks of a Christian life within the Catholic Church are built upon a personal and communal relationship with God through the person of Jesus Christ. This relationship is expressed sacramentally and ritually within the Initiation Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation which call Christians to discipleship of Christ and to be visible signs of God's presence in our world. What does our personal and communal relationship with God mean for our lives? How is our church leadership or ministry seen as flowing from the Sacraments of Initiation?

Enquiry Day—Spirituality of St Francis of Assisi

Come and meet the Secular Franciscans and hear about the Secular Franciscan Order. Why is St Francis of Assisi such a popular saint? What does St Francis have to say to us about living our Catholic faith? Join us on **Sunday 12th June from 2pm-3.30pm** in the Alverna Hall. Enquiries to Anne-Marie 9207 3691. All welcome!



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 14 May

9am +For deceased members of Di Filippo family
6pm +Adolf, Florence and Lino Figueiredo

Sunday 15 May

8.30am
10am (Italian) +Luigi and Maria Rosa Stillitano
11.30am (Gwelup) +Judy Woodward
5pm

Mon 16 May

9am +Vincenzo, Nicoletta and Frank Tutolo

Tues 17 May

9am

Wed 18 May

9am

Thursday 19 May

9am

Friday 20 May

9am For Julia Bajuk on her name day

Saturday 21 May

9am +Shirley Langdon 16th anniversary
6pm +Anna Sabatino 1 month

Sunday 22 May

8.30am God's blessing, protection and guidance for
Benedicta Yalley on her birthday.
10am (Italian) +Giuseppina Civello
11.30am (Gwelup)
5pm +Lita Favazzi

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri della Settimana

Gio 10.00 Incontro con Gesù e Maria

Festa di San Padre Pio

Triduo: Mar 24, Mer 25 e Gio 26
Maggio ore 7pm con Rosario,
Confessione e S. Messa.



Festa Domenica 29 Maggio

Santa Messa ore 10am segue processione e benedizione. Devoti e fedeli di S. Padre Pio siete tutti invitati a questa Santa Liturgia e rinfresco. Per il rinfresco, si chiede cortesemente alla comunità di donare un piatto di dolci.



St Vincent de Paul—Helpers needed urgently!

Unfortunately we are at risk of closing. New members are needed urgently to help us support people in need in the Balcatta community. If you have some spare time, come along and join us. Enquiries welcome to Barbara on 0488 100 799. Thank you to those who regularly donate food/money, it's much appreciated.

Baptism Prayers

We pray for Rosa Chakjath, Peter Varghese and Luke Varghese who receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. We welcome them to our parish community.

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, in hospital or on the First Friday.
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, Colleen Player, Gaetana Mordini and Maureen.