

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 1st August

Mon 3.30pm Parish Line Dancing

Tues 9.30am Padre Pio Prayer Group (Italian)

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

Thur 8.00pm Italian Committee Sat 2.00pm Secular Franciscan Regional Council

Sun 10.00am Rosary League (Malayalam/English)

ALL PARISH DONATIONS INCLUDING FOR PLANNED GIVING CAN BE MADE VIA DIRECT TRANSFER 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 31 July—7 Aug

Liturgical Calendar

Mon 1 Aug St Alphonsus Liguori—Memorial

Wed 3 Aug

St Dominic—Memorial

Thu 4 Aug Sat 6 Aug

St John Vianney—Memorial The Transfiguration of the Lord—Feast

Adult Faith Formation Seminars Understanding the Old Testament: An Ancient Text for Modern Times

ON: Tuesdays from 13th Sept—4th Oct FROM: 7.30pm—8.30pm (4 sessions) WITH: Dr Peter Christofides AT: Nollamara Parish Suggested donation: \$5 per session



The Old Testament makes up a very significant part of the Bible. These books contain some of the most renowned stories of Sacred Scripture. Though relatively well-known among Christians and often depicted in popular culture, the deeper implications and understandings of these stories are often missed. This course will unpack some Old Testament stories and reveal how they lay down the foundation for the Christian faith. Together we will discover that they are as important today as they have ever been.

Marriage Day Mass 2022

The Archdiocesan Marriage Day Mass will be held on Saturday 20th August at 10am at St Mary's Cathedral. This special Mass is for ALL

married couples and those who support marriage. A blessing will be bestowed on all married couples who attend. The Bishops will be giving a commemorative certificate to couples celebrating any milestone anniversary. Couples can register for a certificate at https://bit.ly/marriagemass2022 by 11th August.



Youth Group Sundays 6-8pm

Inviting all youth in Years 6-12 to join us for spiritual enrichment, fellowship, food and fun in the Alverna hall after 5pm Mass. Queries to Stephen on 0456 821 749.

Baptism Prayers

We pray for Evan Karunaratna who receives the Sacrament of Baptism this Sunday and for his family. We welcome him to our Parish Community.



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:

\$un: 12am-2am, 5.30-6am, 7-11am, 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 **\$at**: 12am-2am, 9-10am, 11am-3pm, 4pm-12am

Mon: 12am-2am, 4-6am, 11am-1pm, 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

St Lawrence Feast Dinner Dance

On Friday 5th August the St Lawrence Dinner Dance will be held in the Alverna Hall at 6.30pm to celebrate the feast of our patron St Lawrence. Tickets are \$50 per adult for a 4 course meal

with wine and soft drinks included. Buy your tickets from the Social Committee: Marie B 9244 9212, Mary L 9446 9816, Anna D 9345 5271, Nancy B 9349 1020, Maria M 9349 6374 and John D 9349 7361. Join us for this special parish event!

St Lawrence Feast Day Multicultural Mass

On Sunday 7th August at 9.30am join us for a Multicultural Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Lawrence. Following Mass there will be a \$\infty\$ Eucharistic Procession on the streets near the church. This is a great way to demonstrate our faith publicly by walking with the Blessed Sacrament, praying and

singing together. After the procession we will gather for a light shared lunch at about 11am in the Alverna hall. Please bring a plate of food of your country's cuisine to share.

St Lawrence Feast Day Choir

Join us for choir practice in church on Monday 25th July and Monday 1st August at 7pm. We hope to see many of youthere!

* Please note there will be **NO MASS** on Friday 5th August * at 7pm due to the St Lawrence Dinner Dance.



Understanding the Eucharist today

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.

Part II— The Listening....continued

During the collection and procession with the gifts, a song may be sung. This is called the Offertory Song, which may be a bit confusing. This section of the Mass is not really an 'Offertory' in the sense of offering a sacrifice, but a preparation for the Eucharistic Prayer, in which the sacrifice of Christ is offered to the Father. The term 'Offertory' is a hold-over from the Latin. The word 'offer' in Latin comes from ob-fero, which means 'to carry in front of'; it refers to bringing up the bread and wine. The song to accompany this procession with the gifts was called the Offertorium ie. the song that goes with bringing up the gifts. This procession with the gifts (God's gifts to us more than our gifts to him) is a symbol of our willingness to be involved in Christ's sacrifice. The bread and wine, ideally made by the local community, along with our monetary gifts, remind us of the call of Christ to give totally of ourselves in the service of others as he did. Thus we are prepared, along with the bread and wine, for the sacrificial meal to follow.

Hawes Heritage Trail Tour

Pilgrimage from 8th-12th Sept 2022 visiting architectural marvels designed by Monsignor John Hawes in the early 1900's in Geraldton, Mullewa and surrounds such as St Francis Xavier Cathedral. Includes transport, accommodation, meals etc. Cost \$1340pp. Call Francis 0404 893877 to book.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 30 July

9am +Nicola Gesualdo 2nd anniversary 6pm +Claudino Armenti 27th anniversary

Sunday 31 July

8.30am +Luigi Parise 2nd anniversary and all deceased members of the Parise family 10am (Italian) +For all deceased members of the

5pm +Joe Cianfagna

Mon 1 Aug

9am +Jim Smith 5th Anniversary

Giorgio family

Tues 2 Aug

9am For members of Padre Pio prayer group and for +Caterina Macri 1st anniversary

Wed 3 Aug

9am +Rosa Macri

Thursday 4 Aug

9am +Marcelino and Luiza Fernandes and Jack Xavier and Carmelina D'Souza

Saturday 6 Aug

9am +Francesco Mariano 12th anniversary 6pm +Nicola Sabatino 40th anniversary

Sunday 7 Aug

9.30am St Lawrence Feast Day Multicultural Mass for the whole parish community **11.30am** (Gwelup)

5pm God's blessing, protection and guidance for Joseph Frank Wilson on his birthday.

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri della Settimana

Mar 9.30 Padre Pio

Gio 10.00 Incontro con Gesù e Maria

Gio 20.00 Comitato Italiano

Calendario Liturgico

S. Alfonso Liguori Lun 1 Mer 3 S. Domenico

Gio 4 S. Giovanni Vianney

Trasfigurazione del Signore

St Vincent de Paul—Winter Appeal



Unwanted and new blankets are very much in need over these cold months. Blankets can be left at the back of St Theresa or St Lawrence Church for

collection. Envelopes for donations are also at the rear of the church and any non-perishable food donations are always greatly appreciated.

Helpers are still urgently needed to join the Balcatta St Vincent de Paul Team!

If you have some spare time, please join us at our meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 4pm in the Alverna Centre meeting room. Please call Barbara on 0488 100 799.

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, 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, Terry Scoby-Smith, Zoe Dawson, Michelle Glover, Joseph, Frances Morley, Jude, Joclyn D'Silva, Bevan, Richard M, Colleen Player, Gaetana Mordini and Maureen, Edgardo Rivera, Jenny Simons.