



## 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 19th December

Mon 3.30pm	Parish Line Dancing
Wed 9.30am	Healing Prayers in Chapel
Wed 7.00pm	Personal Advocacy
Thur 2.00pm	Legion of Mary
Sun 10.00am	Rosary League (Malayalam/English)

### Nursing Home Mass

Tue 20/12 10.00 am MyVista Aged Care, Balcatta

### ALL PARISH DONATIONS INCLUDING FOR PLANNED GIVING CAN BE MADE THROUGH 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



### 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:

<b>Sun:</b> 12am-2am, 5.30-11am, 1-3pm, 4-5pm, 6-7pm	<b>Mon:</b> 12am-2am, 4-7am, 11am-1pm, 4-5pm, 10-11pm
<b>Tue:</b> 6am-7am, 11am-12pm, 5-8pm, 9pm-12am	<b>Wed:</b> 12am-5am, 6-7am, 3-7pm, 10pm-12am
<b>Thur:</b> 12am-4am, 8-9am, 12pm-1pm, 4-6pm	<b>Fri:</b> 1-2am, 4-8am, 12pm-1pm, 3-4pm, 5-7pm, 9pm-12am
<b>Sat:</b> 12am-2am, 6-7am, 9-10am, 11am-3pm, 4pm-12am	

## PARISH NEWS 18—25 Dec

### Liturgical Calendar

Sun 18 Dec Fourth Sunday of Advent  
Sun 25 Dec The Nativity of the Lord—*Solemnity with Octave*

### Christmas Parish Office Hours

Office Closed 19 Dec 2022 to 2 Jan 2023

Office re-opens on Tues 3rd Jan 2023  
& will be open in January on Tues & Thurs  
from 9.30am-12.30pm

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

*We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas!*



### Christmas Invitation

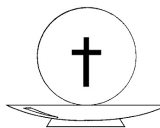


This year, instead of letterbox drops, we are asking you to personally invite your relations, friends and neighbours, who may not be regular church goers, to join us in celebrating Christmas by participating in one of the Christmas Masses.

We ask you to take home the number of invitations that you need, one per family whom you would like to invite. On the top of the invitation please write: Dear (name) to make it more personal. Please, deliver the invitation personally or if it is not possible put it in the letterbox. Thank you in anticipation for your participation in our Parish Community Mission Outreach this Christmas. If you need more invitations, please pick them up from the back of the church.

### Special Ministers needed for Gwelup

More special ministers are needed to give holy communion to some residents at St Francis Hostel, Gwelup on Sunday mornings. You will only be rostered every 4-5 weeks. If you can assist please call Keith Gerrans on 9349 3296.



## It's the last week of Advent!

Advent is a time of preparation, waiting and hope for the coming of Jesus into the world and our lives and hearts. All of us are encouraged to put aside some quiet time every day during this final week of Advent to reflect on this great mystery of our faith.

### Secular Franciscans Christmas with Sts Francis and Clare at

**St Theresa, Gwelup Sun 18th Dec 2.30pm**

Please come celebrate Christmas with the Secular Franciscan Balcatta Fraternity with readings and carols followed by afternoon tea. All welcome!



### Reconciliation in Croatian with Fr Cabraja

at St Lawrence on Wednesday 21st Dec at 7pm.



### Choir Practice for Christmas

Everyone is invited to join this year's Christmas Choir at St Lawrence. The choir will sing at Christmas Midnight Mass. Practice is held in church on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

### End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

**Saturday 31st Dec 6pm St Lawrence Church**

Everyone is welcome to join us in expressing our gratitude to God for all the blessings received this year which helped us to move forward, grow and enjoy life.



### BUSY BEE Thank You!



Thank you very much to the volunteers who came to help tidy the surrounds of St Lawrence Church, making it ready and welcoming for the Christmas celebrations.

### St Vincent de Paul Society—Balcatta

The Balcatta team remains in **urgent need** of members to continue helping people in the local area. The team is at risk of closing without your support. If you can give one to two hours a week to help those less fortunate, please contact Barbara on 0488 100 799 for more information. Thank you.

### Sincere Condolences

To the family and friends of Maria Gaglio and Ann De Cinque on their passing. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.



## Christmas Calendar 2022

### St Lawrence, Balcatta

**Christmas Eve Saturday 24 Dec**

Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Carols 11.30pm followed by Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day Sunday 25 Dec**

7.00am & 8.30am Mass English

10.00am Mass Italian

12 noon Mass Croatian

NO Evening Mass on Christmas Day

### St Theresa, Gwelup

**Christmas Eve Saturday 24 Dec**

Carols 6pm followed by Mass 6.30pm

**Christmas Day Sunday 25 Dec Mass 11am**

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday 17 Dec

9am +Maria Pia Vinciguerra

6pm +Lily Rodrigues

#### Sunday 18 Dec

8.30am God's blessing for all parishioners and friends for their prayers of support for Judith

10am (Italian) +Paolo and Mariannina Santella

11.30am (Gwelup)

5pm +Lita Favazzi 4th anniversary

#### Monday 19 Dec

9am +Maria Da Achada

#### Tuesday 20 Dec

9am +Franco Caproni 21st anniversary

#### Wednesday 21 Dec

9am For vocations to the priesthood

10.30am (Gwelup)

#### Thursday 22 Dec

9am God's blessing, good health and long life for Graham Geoghegan on his birthday

#### Friday 23 Dec

9am +Giosue Fazzari 10th anniversary

#### Saturday 24 Dec (Christmas Eve)

9am +Nina La Falce 4th anniversary

6pm (Vigil) God's blessing for Kenneth and Maria on their wedding anniversary

6.30pm (Gwelup) Vigil

12am Midnight Mass

#### Sunday 25 Dec (Christmas Day)

7am +Umberto and Maria Tutolo and all deceased children

8.30am +Anna Sabatino

10am (Italian) +Luigi Palazzolo 10th anniversary

11am (Gwelup)

5pm No Mass

### NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

#### Calendario Liturgico

Dom 18 Quarta Domenica di Avvento

Dom 25 Natività del Signore

### Baptism Prayers

We pray for Sienna and Alessia Loreggian and Nicolas Sadeghzadeh 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, 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, Bevan, Joclyn D'Silva, Richard M, Colleen Player, Maureen, Edgardo Rivera, and Jenny Simons.