

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 26th December

Mon 3.30pm Parish Line Dancing **Healing Prayers in Chapel** Wed 9.30am Personal Advocacy Wed 7.00pm Thur 2.00pm Legion of Mary

10.00am Rosary League (Malayalam/English)

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

* Prayer Group *

For prayers to receive a gift of liberation and healing, call 0417 911 005 or 9349 6578.

PARISH NEWS 25 Dec—1 Jan

Liturgical Calendar

Sun 25 Dec The Nativity of the Lord—Solemnity with Octave

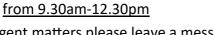
Mon 26 Dec St Stephen—Feast Tues 27 Dec St John—Feast

Wed 28 Dec The Holy Innocents—Feast

Fri 30 Dec The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph—Feast Mary, the Holy Mother of God—Solemnity

Christmas Parish Office Hours Office Closed 26 Dec 2022 to 2 Jan 2023

Office re-opens on Tues 3rd Jan 2023 & will be open in January on Tues & Thurs



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

Message to Visitors

We have 1 st and 2nd collection one after another half way through the Mass.



WA YOUNG SALESIANS SUMMER CAMP

From 9th-13th January 2023.

Join in 5 days of fun-filled activities for ages 11.5 to 15 years. For more

information contact Graham on 0418 979 600 and visit www.wayoungsalesians.com. Book now!



Salvatorian Pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2023

For details about the World Youth Day Salvatorian Pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal from 27 July-11 Aug 2023, register your interest by emailing greg@sdsau.com.

The pilgrimage is open to all young people aged 18-35 years. Join in this life-changing event!

Please take a free copy of The Record magazine from the church foyer.

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, 5.30-11am, 1-3pm, 4-5pm, 6-7pm **Tue**: 6am-7am, 11am-12pm, 5-8pm, 9pm-12am

Thur: 12am-4am, 8-9am, 12pm-1pm, 4-6pm

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

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Christmas Message

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We open here our treasures and our gifts; And some of it is gold, And some is frankingense, And some is murrh: For some has come from plenty, Some from jou,

And some from deepest sorrow of the soul. But you, O God, do know the gift is love, Our pledge of peace, our promise of good-will. Accept the gift and all the life we bring.

The above poem is a reminder of what is the essence of Christmas. That is giving and receiving. The birth of Jesus is the greatest gift of love God has given us. What is mu response to it?

> Happy Christmas and may we all experience and enjoy the true spirit of Christmas.

Fr Emil, Bishop Justin, Fr Adam with secretaries Arlene, Rosalia and Alice.

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.

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.

Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for LifeLink

Please support and return your donation in the special giving envelope as soon as possible or make a contribution _ online by credit card at www.lifelink.org.au. Thank you!



Special Ministers for Gwelup



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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.

Christmas Calendar 2022

St Lawrence, Balcatta

Christmas Eve Saturday 24 Dec

Vigil Mass 6.00pm

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Carols 11.30pm followed by Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Sunday 25 Dec

7.00am & 8.30am Mass English

10.00am Mass 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 24 Dec (Christmas Eve) 9am +Nina La Falce 4th anniversary

6.30pm (Gwelup) Vigil **6pm** (Vigil) God's blessing for Kenneth and Maria on their wedding anniversary

12am Midnight Mass

Sunday 25 Dec (Christmas Day)
7am +Umberto and Maria Tutolo and all deceased

8.30am +Anna Sabatino

10am (Italian) +Luigi Palazzolo 10th anniversary

5pm No Mass

Monday 26 Dec

9am +Giovanni and Grazia Vinciguerra

Tuesday 27 Dec 9am +Tony, Nicoletta and Enzo Travaglini 7pm +Antonia D'Adamo 1 month

Wednesday 28 Dec 9am +Joseph and Claudina Fernandes 10.30am (Gwelup) God's blessing for Obi on his

birthday Thursday 29 Dec

9am +Giuseppina Parlongo 19th anniversary

Friday 30 Dec

9am +Michelle and Tonino Le Donne

Saturday 31 Dec 9am Thanksgiving Mass for the intercession of St Anthony

6pm 8.30am

Sunday 1 Jan

10am (Italian) **11.30am** (Gwelup) 5pm

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Calendario Liturgico

Natività del Signore Dom 25 S. Stefano Lun 26

Mar 27 S. Giovanni Mer 28

I Santi Innocenti La Santa Famiglia di Gesù, Maria e

Giuseppe Maria Santissima Madre di Dio



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.