

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 May

Mon 3.30pm Parish Line Dancing

Padre Pio Prayer Group (Italian) Tues 9.30am

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

Sun 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

PARISH NEWS 30 April—7 May

Liturgical Calendar

Tues 2 May St Athanasius—Memorial Wed 3 May Sts Philip and James—Feast

Taizé Prayer Evening

Parishioners are invited to the Taizé Prayer Evening on Sunday 30th April at 6pm following the 5pm Mass. The theme for this evening will be 'Mary, Handmaid of the Lord.' All welcome!

Pilgrim Statue



May is the month dedicated to Mary the mother of Jesus and our Spiritual mother, so we are re-introducing Our Lady's Statue weekly visits in our parishioners' homes. The roster in the church foyer has the dates for all those who have signed up. Collection is on Saturday at 9.30am and drop

off the following Saturday at 9am from the table in the parish library. If you would like to host the statue, please add your name to the roster and make a note of the date.

Pope's Prayer Intention for May We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own



charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Padre Pio Feast Day—Sunday 28th May With Triduum Prayer Evenings on



Tues 23. Wed 24 and Thurs 25 May at 7pm. Feast Day celebrations on Sun 28 May at 10am with Mass followed by procession, benediction and refreshments in the Alverna hall.

Blessing of Houses

Our priests are available to bless the homes of parishioners. If you would like your house to be blessed, please complete the list in the church fover with your name, contact details and preferred time for a visit.

Confirmation at St Lawrence

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Saturday 27th May at 6pm Mass. We pray for the children, their families and teachers.

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

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

Thank You—Parish Survey

Thank you to everyone who completed our Parish Survey 2023. If you haven't already done so you can still take a form from the church foyer. Place your completed form in the box provided at the back of the church.

PARISH CAKE STALL—6th & 7th MAY at St Lawrence and St Theresa

Parishioners are kindly asked to donate cakes, biscuits or other baked goods for this popular parish fundraiser. Please drop off donated baked goods to the Alverna Centre meeting room on Sat 6th May from 2pm-4pm and at 1 St Theresa on Sun 7th May from 10.30am-

11.30am. Cakes will be sold after weekend Masses by our Social Committee. Thank you for your generous support!

New Altar Servers



Do you want to become an Altar Server? Those who have received their First Holy Communion or are at least in Year 3 are invited to become Altar Servers. If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, or have a child or grandchild who may be interested in becoming an Altar Server, please take the flyer from the church foyer. For further information, please contact Fr Emil on 0408 447062.

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

Children's Liturgy is an important ministry which gives us an opportunity to reach out to school age children and their parents. It may encourage them to participate in the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist. The purpose of the Children's

Liturgy is to present the Gospel message for the Sunday Mass in a way that children can understand and benefit from it. Your help is needed to help us resume the Children's Liturgy Program on Sundays at 5pm Mass. Training provided. No experience needed! We also need helpers to assist with supervising the children. If you can help, please call or email the parish office. Training is provided. No experience needed!

Adult Faith Formation Seminars at St Lawrence Sacraments of Healing: Entering into Communion with God and the Church

ON: Thursdays, from 8th—29th June FROM: 7:30pm—8:30pm (4 sessions)

WITH: Fr Vincent Glynn and Dr Carmel Stuart SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5 per session

The experiences of sin, suffering, illness and death are fundamental to every human life. The Church responds to these experiences by offering healing and reconciliation through Jesus Christ, the true healer of our souls and bodies. There are two Sacraments of healing in Catholic sacramental life: the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. This course will discover the Biblical origins and the historical development of these sacraments, as well as invite participants to recognise the need for healing and forgiveness.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 29 April

9am +Dorina De Laurentis

Sunday 30 April

8.30am +Margaret Preshaw 10am (Italian) +Elena and Rosario Maiolo **11.30am** (Gwelup)

5pm +Francesco Bonfiglio 1 month

Monday 1 May 9am +Mira Botic Krizanovic 6th anniversary

Tuesday 2 May
9am For members of the Padre Pio Prayer Group

Wednesday 3 May

9am +Umberto and Maria Tutolo and all deceased children

10.30am (Gwelup)

Thursday 4 May
9am God's blessing for Robyn and Kevin Brennan
on their 50th wedding anniversary 7pm +Rosa Macri 1st anniversary

Friday 5 May

9am +Veronica Williams 12th anniversary 7pm +Sarah and Marcos D'Costa

Saturday 6 May

6pm +Fr Francisco Mascarenhas 1 month

Sunday 7 May 8.30am + Ivan Opacak and Joze Mikulic

10am (Italian) +Cesare Di Silvio 11.30am (Gwelup) God's blessing for Kay and

Peter on their birthdays

5pm

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri della Settimana

Mar 9.30am Padre Pio **Gio** 10.00am Incontro con Gesù e Maria

Gio 8.00pm Comitato Italiano

Calendario Liturgico

Mar 2 S. Atanasio

Ss. Filippo e Giacomo Mer 26



Festa di San Padre Pio Triduo: Mar 23, Mer 24 e Gio 25 maggio ore 7pm con Rosario, Confessione e S. Messa.

Festa Domenica 28 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 chiese cortesamente alla comunità di donare un piatto di dolci.

Baptism Prayers

We pray for Fletcher Johnson and Elyse Peck who receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend, and for their families. We welcome them to our parish.

Mother's Day

There will be a special blessing for Mothers at all Masses on the weekend of 13th/14th May.

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. <u>Please pray for our sick parishioners</u>: 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, Jenny Simons and Angela.