

St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate Church (Balcatta) and St Theresa Church (Gwelup)

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St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate Church 392 Albert Street Balcatta WA 6021

Masses Mon to Sat 9am, Fri 7.30pm, Sat 6pm (Vigil), Sun 8.30am, 10am (Italian), 12pm (Croatian) & 5.30pm

Reconciliation (also by appointment)

Tue to Fri 8.40am-8.55am, Sat 5.15pm-5.50pm 1st Friday 8.30am-8.55am & 7.10pm-7.25pm

Rosary prayed at St Lawrence Mon to Sat 9.30am Perpetual Adoration Chapel 24hr access contact office **Pietv Shop & Parish Library** for 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

Masses at Nursing Homes

Thursday 19th Apr 10.15am Bethanie, Gwelup

Parish Meetings From Mon 16th April

Mon 9.30am Catholic Meditation Group 1.00pm **Italian Choir Practice** Mon Mon 3.30pm Tue 4.00pm Parish Line Dancing PREP (in Church/Hall) 7.30pm **English Choir Practice** Tue Wed 10.00am Healing Prayers (in Chapel) Wed 7.00pm Personal Advocacy Incontro con Gesù e Maria (Italian) Thur 10.00am Thur 7.30pm Legion of Mary Rosary League—Malayalam/English 10.00am

Pope's Prayer Intention for April

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

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Perpetual Adoration

Many extra hours were spent keeping company with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament chapel over the past 2 months. If anyone

would like to continue for a regular hour, please contact one of the organisers. We still aim to have a person present at every hour of every day. Please remember to register each time you spend in the chapel to assist organisers update and plan for the regular vacant hours.

Project Compassion Parishioners are asked to return their boxes and envelopes as soon as possible.



Sincere Condolences

To the family and friends of Ersilia Catenacci, Dorothy McTaggart and Maria Assunta Silipo. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

Baptism Prayers

We pray for Summer Stevens who will be baptised this Sunday. We welcome her to our Parish Community.



Blessing of Houses

Fr Emil and Fr Leonard are available to bless the homes of parishioners. If you would like your house to be blessed, please complete the

list in the church foyer with your name, address, phone number and preferred time for the priest to visit.

Good Shepherd Sunday

Traditionally the 4th Sunday of Easter is called The Good Shepherd Sunday. On that day especially, we are encouraged to pray for priests(shepherds) and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Another important way of support is to provide financial assistance to the formation of future priests. Next weekend we will have a special collection to support our Salvatorian seminary in Poland. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Perpetual Adoration Chapel Open 24hrs 'Are You Not Able to Stay With Me One Hour?' Please ioin the roster and commit to a Holy Hour with Jesus every week. Vacant time slots are: **\$un**: 12am-2am, 5.30am-7am, 1pm-2pm, 5pm-6pm, 7pm-8pm **Mon**: 12am-4am, 11am-12pm, 1pm-2pm, 5pm-6pm **Tue**: 11am-12pm, 4pm-5pm, 11pm-12am **Wed**: 12am-2am, 4am-5am, 3pm-7pm Thur: 10am-11am, 12pm-1pm, 3pm-4pm, 8pm-9pm Fri: 1am-3am, 12pm-2pm, 4pm-5pm, 6pm-7pm, 11pm-12am **\$at** 12am-1am, 11am-1pm, 2pm-3pm, 4pm-5pm, 7pm-8pm, 10pm-12am.



ALPHA IN A CATHOLIC CONTEXT

Alpha is an easy-to-use tool to learn about the basic elements of the Christian faith in a welcoming and friendly way. It has been used by thousands of Catholic parishes around the world to address questions and concerns

people have regarding their faith. It involves inviting people to share a meal, listening to a short talk and then exploring their questions and ideas about what they have heard. The program will be run one night a week for 11 weeks. We have a group of parishioners who volunteered to be involved in organising Alpha in our parish, but we need more people who love to provide a welcoming environment for participants and serving them with good food and drink.

Lastly, but it is equally important, we need prayer! We ask everyone to pray, that all participants of the program will find and experience the God who loves each one of us with a deep, personal love.

We will start the program on Tuesday 1st May at 7pm. If you want to participate in Alpha please call the Parish Office or leave a message on the answering machine with your name and phone number.

For more information on the Alpha in a Catholic Context program, visit the website www.alpha.org/catholic-context or Fr James Mallon: Divine Renovation on YouTube.

World-wide Marriage Encounter Weekends (WWME)

The purpose of WWME movement is to bring about a renewal of the sacraments of Marriage and Priesthood. WWME weekend is an enrichment experience for couples and priests who are part of it, that is, the participants and the presenting team. It is a live-in weekend away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend the priests have an opportunity to reflect on their relationships with the people they live with and minister to. They also have a chance to gain a better understanding of married life by listening to the sharing of the presenting team couples. The married couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle, refresh and deepen their married relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule to invest in your most precious asset—your closest relationships. Dates: July 27-29 and Oct 12-14. To book call Valerie 0424220625. Visit www.wwme.org.au for more details.

Plenary Council 2020

Pope Francis has given his approval for the Catholic Church to hold the first Plenary Council-the most significant national gathering that PlenaryCouncil 2020 can be held-in Australia in more



than 80 years and has appointed Archbishop Costelloe as president of the Council. The Archbishop encourages all Catholics, whether devout or disillusioned, fervent or frustrated, to seize the opportunity to speak what is on their minds and in their hearts. The process of listening and dialogue begins at Pentecost 2018 and is a time for us to explore together how we might answer the question: 'What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?', as the Church faces significant challenges. All people are invited to share their story of faith, of life and of their experience of the Church. Visit www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for more details.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 14 April

6pm +Nunziata and Vincenzo Capone

Sun 15 April

10am (Italian) +Maria Scurria 5.30pm +Tony Marcon

Mon 16 April

9am +Antonio Rosariio Saldanha

Tue 17 April

9am For all souls in Purgatory

Wed 18 April

9am +Manuele and Martini Saleme

Thur 19 April

9am +Vincenzo Macri 7th anniversary

Fri 20 April

9am +Caterina, Salvatore and Giuseppe Tomeo

Sat 21 April

9am +Nicoletta and Vincenzo Tutolo **6pm** +Spina Di Silvio 10th anniversary

Sun 22 April

8.30am + Manuel De Castro and Augusta Nunes 10am (Italian) +Agostino Di Filippo

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri di Ouesta Settimana

Lun 13.00 Coro italiano Gio 10.00 Incontro con Gesù e Maria



Parish Cuppa Next Sunday 22nd April

Please join us for fellowship after Masses at 8.30am,

10am (Italian), 11.30am (Gwelup) and 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will resume after the school holidays on Sunday 6th May at 5.30pm Mass. All children are encouraged to attend.





Office Hours **April School Holidays**

Over the next 2 weeks the Parish Office will be open as follows:

This week: Tues 17th, Wed 18th and Thur 19th April from 9.30am-1pm. Next week: Tues 24th and Thur 26th April 9.30am-1pm.

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 or hospital.

Please pray for our sick parishioners: Lita Favazzi, Mariella Caroe, Lily Comande, Patricia Lewin, Bayley Starr, Ric Jarvis, Roger Pipe, Linda Callisto, Dorothy Lewin, Robyn Dodds, Maria D'Alonzo, Mihelina Livnjakovic, Tennille Stokes, Anna, Mona Bullock, Shirley Tully, Belinda Forster, Barbara McConnin, Cody McManus, John Glamuzina, Terry Scoby-Smith, Michelle Glover and all the sick in need of our