

# St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate Parish (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 **Piety 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**

Thurs 20 Dec 10.15am Bethanie, Gwelup

#### Liturgical Calendar

Sun 16 Dec Third Sunday of Advent

#### Parish Meetings From Monday 17th December

Catholic Meditation Group Mon 9.30am Italian Choir Mon 1.00pm Mon 3.30pm Parish Line Dancing Tues 7.30pm St Vincent De Paul **English Choir** Tues 7.30pm

Wed 10.00am Healing Prayers (in Chapel)

7.30pm Personal Advocacy Wed Legion of Mary Thur 7.30pm

Rosary League—Malayalam/English 10.00am

## PARISH NEWS 16 Dec—23 Dec



**Secular Franciscans** Christmas with Francis and Clare Sun 16th Dec 3pm

Please join us at St Theresa's Church, Gwelup with readings and

carols followed by afternoon tea in the Community Centre. Please bring a plate to share a Christmas cuppa. All welcome!

#### ALTAR SERVERS OUTING

As a sign of our appreciation for their service to the parish, a ten pin bowling session has been organised for the altar servers on Thurs 20th Dec at Super Bowl, Warwick.



#### Prayer Group

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

#### **Mass Intention Bookings**

To book a Mass for a particular intention please do not put an envelope in the collection basket but ring the Parish Office instead, because the church diary has to be checked to see if the desired date is free. Thank you.

Pope's Prayer Intention for December: That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

#### Quote of the Week

"Prayer is the powerful weapon which triumphs: it is the stairway and the door of Paradise; it is the coin minted by God Himself, with which the eternal joy of the heavenly Jerusalem is securely bought." Fr Francis Jordan, Salvatorian Founder



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: 6am-7am, 10am-12pm, 4pm-5pm, 11pm-12am Wed: 12am-2am, 4am-5am, 11am-1pm, 5pm-7pm Thur: 4am-5am, 10am-11am, 12pm-1pm, 3pm-4pm Fri: 1am-3am, 12pm-2pm, 4pm-5pm, 6pm-8pm, **\$at** 12am-1am, 9am-10am, 11am-1pm, 2pm-3pm, 4pm-5pm, 7pm-8pm, 10pm-12am.

## Parish Reconciliation (II Rite) on Thurs 20th Dec at 7.30pm at St Lawrence Church.

#### Farewell to Fr Leonard

In the new year Fr Leonard will be taking up the position of Parish Priest at Greenmount Parish. We will have a farewell morning tea on

Sun 30th Dec after 8.30am Mass and 10am Italian Mass. A farewell morning tea at Gwelup will be held on Sun 6th Jan after 11.30am Mass. Please join us for this special occasion!

#### PARISH CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY PLAY

Calling for actors, readers and singers. **Rehearsal Dates:** 

17th and 18th Dec at 4pm in church

Final rehearsal on Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec at 4pm Please call Toni on 0416 309 483 for the play script or email toni.mattiaccio@cewa.edu.au.

All kids welcome!



## Parish Carols by Candlelight Friday 21st Dec 7pm It's time to sing Carols!

As well as favourite English carols, Christmas carols from Poland, Italy, Croatia, Konkani and the Philippines will be shared by the many musicians who help us praise God

in song at our weekly Masses. If you would like to share two Carols from your country of origin which is not listed above, please let Fr Emil know by Wednesday of this week so that the program can be finalised. We look forward to seeing you at this year's Carols by Candlelight!

## Parish Advent Scripture Reflections

All parishioners are encouraged to prepare spiritually for Christmas. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Please bring your missal or Bible. Queries to Anne-Marie Langdon on 9207 3691.



## Mass Time Change in 2019

Starting on Sunday 3rd February 2019, the 5.30pm Mass will be celebrated at 5pm. This will allow the Youth Group to meet after Mass at 6pm every Sunday.

## **CHRISTMAS CALENDAR 2018**

St Lawrence, Balcatta

**Christmas Eve Monday 24 Dec** Children's Nativity Vigil Mass 6.00pm Carols 11.30pm then Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Tuesday 25 Dec

7.00am & 8.30am Mass English 10.30am Mass Italian 12 noon Mass Croatian No evening Mass on Christmas Day

St Theresa, Gwelup

**Christmas Eve Monday 24 Dec** 

Carols 6pm then Mass 6.30pm

Christmas Day Tuesday 25 Dec 11am Mass

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat 15 December

9am +Rocco Bax 11th anniversary

6pm +Georges and Ginette Coiffic and Jean Siou

Sun 16 December

8.30am +lolanda Topini 5th anniversary and +Antonio Topini 6th anniversary

**10am** (Italian) +Giuseppe and Maria Rullo **11.30am** (Gwelup) For all souls in Purgatory 5.30pm +Manuel Leite

Mon 17 December

9am Thanksgiving to God and Fr Francis Jordan

Tue 18 December

9am For all deceased priests

Wed 19 December

9am +Maria Da Achada 5th anniversary 10.30am (Gwelup) For all souls in Purgatory

Thurs 20 December

9am +Alzena McDonald 1st anniversary

Fri 21 December

9am +Nicoletta and Vincenzo Tutolo 7.30pm No Mass

Sat 22 December

9am +Sr Carmela Roco

6pm +Armando Raschilla 6 months

Sun 23 December

8.30am God's blessing, good health and long life Graham Geoghegan on his birthday

10am (Italian) +Luigi Palazzolo

5.30pm For deceased members of the Secular Franciscan Balcatta Fraternity



## NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri di Questa Settimana 13.00 Coro Italiano Lun

Santa Messa Giorno di Natale—Ore 10.30

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, Ada, Maria Gotti, Patricia Lewin, Bayley Starr, Ric Jarvis, Roger Pipe, Linda Callisto, Dorothy Lewin, Robyn Dodds, Maria D'Alonzo, Tennille Stokes, Anna, Mona Bullock, Shirley Tully, Belinda Forster, John Glamuzina, Terry Scoby-Smith, Michelle Glover, Zoe Dawso, Ricky Fogliani and all the sick in need of our prayers.