



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; First Fri of Month 7.30pm; Sat 6pm (Vigil); Sun 8.30am, 10am (Italian), 12pm (Croatian) and 5pm

Reconciliation (also by appointment)

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

Parish Meetings From Monday 25th March

Mon 9.30am	Catholic Meditation Group
Mon 1.00pm	Italian Choir Practice
Mon 3.30pm	Parish Line Dancing
Tues 9.45am	Lenten Group in Alverna Centre
Tues 4.00pm	PREP (in Church/Hall)
Wed 9.00am	Lenten Group at St Theresa's
Wed 7.30pm	Lenten Group in Alverna Centre
Wed 10.00am	Healing Prayers (in Chapel)
Wed 7.00pm	Personal Advocacy
Wed 7.30pm	English Choir Practice
Thurs 10.00am	Incontro con Gesù e Maria (Italian)
Thurs 7.30pm	Lenten Group at Janette James' home
Thurs 7.30pm	Legion of Mary
Sun 10.00am	Rosary League—Malayalam/English

Liturgical Calendar

Mon 25 March	The Annunciation of the Lord—Solemnity
Sun 31 March	Fourth Sunday of Lent

PARISH NEWS 24—31 March

24/7 St Lawrence Youth Group Every Sunday 6pm—8pm



For all young people in Yrs 6-12 at school. Held in the Alverna Hall. Come along for a great night of fun and faith! Call Elysha 0481 133 229 or Stephen 0456 821 749 for more information.

Please pray for the Youth Group and encourage the young people in your families to participate. The cost of the Youth Program is \$20,000pa and donations can be made in the special collection envelopes in the church foyer.

Youth Group Update 17th March

Last Sunday we talked about Christ's Baptism and the launch of his public ministry. Thank you to all the youths who attended. We hope to see many more young people next Sunday!

Legion of Mary ACIES Ceremony
This Sun 24th March 2pm at St Lawrence Church
followed by afternoon tea in the Alverna Hall.



Children's Mass this Sun 24 March 5pm



All children are invited to join us near the choir area before Mass. Many thanks to Mrs Jacki Tucker for taking on the children's choir. Children will sing, read the prayers of the faithful and take up the offertory gifts. We would love to see lots of children take part as it adds so much joy to our Mass celebration.

Children's Liturgy will resume next Sunday at 5pm and each Sunday during school term except the 4th Sunday when there is Children's Mass.

Please take a copy of the Archbishop's recent letter from the church foyer.



Lent is a time of preparation for Easter, which is the greatest feast day on our Christian calendar. We can prepare for it by spending more time on prayer, participating in the beautiful devotion of the Stations of the Cross and being part of a Lenten Reflection Group. All these activities give us an opportunity to renew our relationship with God and one another and to grow in our understanding and appreciation of the beauty of our Catholic faith.

Stations of the Cross

Friday 4pm At St Theresa, Gwelup followed by Communion Service.

Friday 7pm At St Lawrence, Balcatta followed by Mass at 7.30pm. **Tuesday 7pm** In Italian at St Lawrence, Balcatta followed by Mass at 7.30pm.



St Lawrence Window Cleaning

Anyone who can help with this important job please come on **Sat 30th March around 9.30am** after our morning Mass. Thank you for helping us make our Parish Church look pretty for Easter.

Busy Bee before Easter—Sat 6th April 8am



All parishioners are kindly asked to come and help with some gardening and tidying up of St Lawrence Church in preparation for Easter. Many hands make light work. We hope many of you can assist. Morning tea will be provided.

Building up a Sense of Community

Every last Sunday of the month we have a cuppa and we acknowledge the recent birthdays of parishioners. We would like to suggest and invite you to do the following: when you come to church, before the Mass begins, introduce yourself to a person sitting next to you and promise to pray for one another during the Mass, especially during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Parish Cuppa next Sunday 31st March

Join us for fellowship after Masses at 8.30am, 10am (Italian) and 5pm.



Parish Choir Rehearsals for Easter

We would love to see some new faces join the choir for the Easter celebrations! Practice will take place in church on **Wednesdays at 7.30pm**. The more the merrier. See you there!



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 23 March

9am +Lita Favazzi

6pm +Giovanni Papa 1st anniversary

Sun 24 March

8.30am +Manuel Baptista

10am (Italian) +Maria Stella Rullo and Joe Rullo

11.30am (Gwelup) God's blessing for Tania and Matthew on their birthdays

5pm +Camillo Zinni and all deceased members of the Zinni family

Mon 25 March

9am +Catherine Sadler

7pm +Anna Salomone 15th anniversary

Tues 26 March

9am +Francesco Pizzino

7.30pm (Italian) +Lucia Vinciguerra 15th anniv

Wed 27 March

9am God's blessing for Maria and Michael Zito

Thurs 28 March

9am God's blessing for Enrico Tutolo

Fri 29 March

9am +Giuseppe and Assunta Fazzari

7.30pm +Anthony Bravo 6th anniversary and God's blessing for Jonathan Bravo on his birthday

Sat 30 March

9am +Caterina and Salvatore Tomeo

6pm +Vincenzo and Nunziata Capone

Sun 31 March

8.30am Special Intention

10am (Italian) +Assunta and Ilario Silipo

11.30am (Gwelup) +Maria Presenza 1st anniv

5pm +Joseph and Claudina Fernandes

NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Calendario Liturgico

Dom 24 Terza domenica di Quaresima

Lun 18 Annunciazione del Signore

Dom 31 Quarta domenica di Quaresima

Incontri di Questa Settimana

Lun 13.00 Coro Italiano

Gio 10.00 Incontro con Gesù e Maria

Quote of the Week

"Rejoice over the good that others do; praise God for it." Fr Francis Jordan, Salvatorian Founder

Pope's Prayer Intention for March



That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Prayer Group

For prayers to receive a gift of liberation and healing, call



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:

Sun: 12-2am, 5.30-7am, 1-2pm, 5-6pm, 7-8pm **Mon:** 12-4am, 11-12pm, 1-2pm, 5-6pm, 11pm-12am

Tue: 12-1am, 6-7am, 10am-12pm, 4-5pm, 11pm-12am **Wed:** 12-2am, 4-5am, 12-1pm, 5-7pm

Thur: 4-5am, 7-8am, 12-1pm, 2-4pm **Fri:** 1-3am, 12-2pm, 6-8pm, 11pm-12am

Sat 12-1am, 9-10am, 11am-1pm, 2-3pm, 4-5pm, 7-8pm, 10pm-12am



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: 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, Belinda Forster, John Glamuzina, Terry Scoby-Smith, Zoe Dawson, Michelle Glover, Ricky Fogliani, Joseph, Frances Morley and all the sick in need of our prayers.