

### St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate Parish, Balcatta

Parish Priest: FR ADAM BABINSKI SDS

Parish Secretaries: Arlene Lim and Rosalia Carbone

Parish Office: 9344 7066 Open Tues 9am-2pm, Wed 9am-2pm, Fri 9am-1pm

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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

Reconciliation (also by appointment)

Friday before 9am Mass

Saturday after 9am Mass, Saturday before Vigil 6pm Mass

Rosary prayed at St Lawrence Mon to Sat 9.30am
Perpetual Adoration Chapel 24hr access, contact office
Piety Shop 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

## ALL PARISH DONATIONS INCLUDING FOR PLANNED GIVING CAN BE MADE THROUGH DIRECT TRANSFER TO THE BANK ACCOUNTS BELOW:

1st Collection: Account Name: Parish Priest

BSB: **086 006** 

Account No: 420 879 912

For all other Clergy Donations using direct transfer: Please also use this new account and reference the payment with the date and name of the event. For example: 18/2/24 Wedding.

**2nd Collection**: Account Name: St Lawrence Church

BSB: 086 006

Account No: 665 794 749

#### Parish Meetings from Monday 1st April

Mon 3.30pm Parish Line Dancing

Tues 9.30am Padre Pio Prayer Group (Italian)

Wed 9.30am Healing Prayers in Chapel

Wed 7.00pm Personal Advocacy
Thur 2.00pm Legion of Mary

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Thur 8.00pm Italian Committee

Sun 10.00am Rosary League (Malayalam/English

### PARISH NEWS 31 Mar—7 Apr

#### **Liturgical Calendar**

Sun 31 Mar Sunday of the Resurrection
Sun 7 Apr Divine Mercy Sunday

#### **EASTER PROGRAM 2024**

HOLY SATURDAY—30th March (No Mass at 9am)

Blessing of Easter Food 12noon at St Lawrence Easter Vigil 7.00pm at St Lawrence

#### EASTER SUNDAY—31st March (No Mass at 5pm)

<u>St Lawrence Masses</u>: **7.00am**, **8.30am**, **10.00am** (Italian), **12noon** (Croatian) St Theresa Mass: **11.00am** 



# Parish Office Hours—April Holidays The parish office will be open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9.30am-12.30pm

for the first two weeks of April. For urgent matters please leave a message on the answering machine on 9344 7066.



#### **Parish Youth Group**

Every Sunday in the Alverna Hall from 6pm-8pm during school term. Join us for spiritual enrichment, fellowship, food and fun!

#### **Blessing of Houses**



Fr Adam is available to bless the homes of parishioners. If you would like your house to be blessed, please put your name, phone number, address and preferred day/time for

the visit on the sign-up sheet in the church foyer.



#### Pope's Prayer Intention for April

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



come in when it is convenient. For more information, please call Jo Geoghegan 0416 509 685.

"Know also that you will probably gain more by praying before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day. True, our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, for He has made the promise, 'Ask and you shall receive' but He has revealed to His servants that whose who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament will obtain a more abundant measure of grace."

St Alphonsus Liquori



#### Welcome to Balcatta Parish

A warm welcome to all new parishioners and visitors to St Lawrence, Balcatta and St Theresa, Gwelup. If you are new to our parish, we invite you to complete a Parish census form and return it to Fr Adam or Bishop Justin. Please introduce

yourself to our priests after Mass. You are also welcome to visit us at the parish office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am-2pm and Fridays from 9am-1pm during school term.



#### **EASTER WISHES**

May the 'Alleluia' verse sung in Christian churches around the world become our heart's song. May the Holy Spirit help us to extend the Easter experience to all the days of the year and may the joy of the Lord's resurrection become a part of our lives.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Easter.

Fr Adam, Bishop Justin and parish secretaries Arlene, Rosalia and Alice.

#### **Easter Offerings**

Easter offering envelopes go towards the support of the Salvatorian Fathers, the local bishops and priests in the Archdiocese who are sick, retired or in small parishes (Equity Fund). Thank you!

#### \* Church Prayer Hours \*

The main doors of the church will be open for private prayer everyday of the week after 9am Mass until 6pm.

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**



The Second Sunday of Easter is called Divine Mercy Sunday. We are invited to reflect on the great gift of God's mercy and how we show mercy and forgiveness to others as our response of gratitude to God for the mercy shown to us. We will have a Divine Mercy holy hour next **Sunday 7th April at 3pm** at St Lawrence.

#### 2024—A Year of Spiritual Growth

The Centre for Faith Enrichment is the adult faith formation agency of the Archdiocese offering face-to-face and online courses. Make 2024 your dedicated year for spiritual enrichment and understanding. For details of courses, please visit <a href="www.cfe.org.au/courses-events/">www.cfe.org.au/courses-events/</a>. Join us on this enlightening journey!

#### Readers Needed

We are in need of more readers for Saturday 6pm Mass and Sunday 5pm Mass. If you are able to assist, please contact Robyn on 0416 167 914 or email <a href="mailto:brennaro1@hotmail.com">brennaro1@hotmail.com</a>. Training will be provided. Your help is much appreciated.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Saturday 30 March

9am No Mass

**7pm** +Claudina and Joseph Fernandes

#### Sunday 31 March

7am For our Parish Community
8.30am +Francesco Femia 4th anniversary
and +Nicholas Femia

10am (Italian) +Lucia Vinciguerra 20th anniv PR: +Serafino Pierluigi, Giusto and Maria Domenica Di Lallo, Gaetano Mannella, Vittorio Santella, Jim Bailey and Harry Donaldson

11am (Gwelup) 5pm No Mass

#### Monday 1 April

9am +Rosete Ferreira 7pm +Ferdinando Cifelli

#### **Tuesday 2 April**

9am For members of the Padre Pio group

#### Wednesday 3 April

9am +Vincenzo Pellegrini 3 month anniv 10.30am (Gwelup)

#### Thursday 4 April

**9am** For our parish community

#### Friday 5 April

9am +Donato Salomone

#### Saturday 6 April

**9am** +Geoff Crews 11th anniversary **6pm** +Rosina Armenti 9th anniversary

#### **Sunday 7 April**

**8.30am** +Manuel Leite and all souls in Purgatory

PR: +Angelo Miola 4th anniversary

10am (Italian) +Pia Di Silvio 6 month anniv
PR: +Carmelo Calabrese 1st anniv

**11.30am** (Gwelup)

**5pm** Thanksgiving for blessings received, good health and happiness for Jarryn Fernandes on his birthday

#### NOTIZIARIO ITALIANO

Incontri della Settimana

Mar 2 Apr 9.30am Padre Pio
Gio 4 Apr 8pm Comitato Italiano

**Calendario Liturgico** 

Dom 31 Mar Dom 7 Apr Domenica di Pasqua Domenica della Divina

Misericordia

<u>Pastoral care of the sick</u>: 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>: Kenneth Pang, 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, Richard M, Maureen, Edgardo Rivera, Jenny Simons, Maureen T and Peter Gradisen.