

# A LIGHT TO ENLIGHTEN THE NATIONS

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 47:10-11**  
Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**1st Reading Mal 3:1-4**  
**A reading from the prophet Malachi**

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of Hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fullers' alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

The Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 23:7-10**

**Response: Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!**

O gates, lift up your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! **R/**

Who is the king of glory? The Lord, the mighty, the valiant, the Lord, the valiant in war. **R/**

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! **R/**

Who is he, the king of glory? He, the Lord of armies, he is the king of glory. **R/**

**2nd Reading Heb 2:14-18**  
**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews**

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Christ too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

The Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lk 2:32**

**Alléluia, alléluia!** This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel. **Alléluia!**

**GOSPEL Lk 2:22-40**  
**A reading from the Gospel according to Luke**

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord - observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord - and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on

him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and he blessed God; and he said: 'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.' \*As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected - and a sword will pierce your own soul too - so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.' There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem. When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.\*

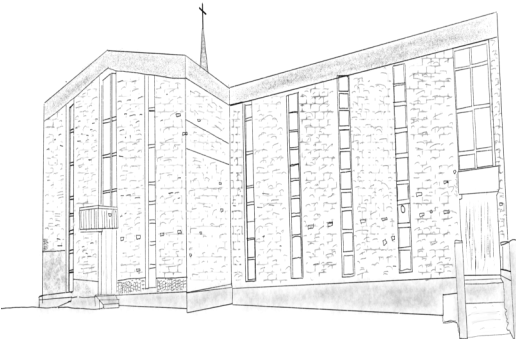
The Gospel of the Lord  
**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



**St Mary Star of the Sea & CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH**



## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD Year C 2nd February 2025



**PARISH PRIEST:**

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**PARISH SECRETARY:**

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**ADDRESS:**

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**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM:**

**RECONCILIATIONS:**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:**

**ADORATION \* BENEDICTION:**

**BAPTISMS:**

**WEDDINGS:**

**COLUMBARIUM COORDINATOR:**

**Fr. Marcelo Parra**

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**Ann Clarke**

**Rommie Masarei (Mobile # 0417 979 867) - Corpus Christi**  
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**Monday, Wednesday & Friday (9.30am to 12.30pm)**  
**2 McNeil St. Peppermint Grove WA 6011 (St Mary Star of the Sea)**  
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**Saturday 12:00pm Star of the Sea**

**Saturday 5:00pm Corpus Christi**

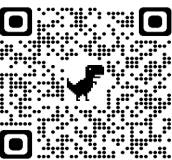
**Sundays at 10am Mass (during school term)**

**First Friday of the month immediately after 9am Mass**

**Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 11am**

**Only by appointment**

**Ann Clarke (Email: columbarium.cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au)**



## PARISH CALENDAR – FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sunday, 2nd February 2025**

8:30am **Mass—Mosman Park**  
10:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**  
**NO Children's Liturgy**  
12:00pm **Mass—(Spanish) Cottesloe**  
5:00pm **Mass—Cottesloe**

**Monday, 3rd February 2025**

9:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**

**Tuesday, 4th February 2025**

8:15am **Mass—Mosman Park**  
9:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**

**Wednesday, 5th February 2025**

9:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**

**Thursday, 6th February 2025**

9:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**

**Friday, 7th February 2025**

**1st Friday of the month**

9:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**

9:30am **Adoration**

10:30am **Benediction**

**Saturday, 8th February 2025**

9:00am **Mass—Cottesloe**

12:00pm **Confessions—Cottesloe**

5:00pm **Confessions—Mosman Park**

5:30pm **Vigil Mass—Mosman Park**

8:00pm **Neocatechumenal**

**Community Mass**  
**(Parish Centre Cottesloe)**





My eyes have seen your saving power

As today we hold our burning candles, who could fail immediately to recall that venerable old man who, on this day, took Jesus in his arms, the Word who was latent in a body as light is in wax, and declared him to be the light to enlighten the nations? Indeed, Simeon himself was also a bright and shining lamp, which bore witness to the light. He came to the temple under the influence of the Spirit which filled him precisely in order that, receiving your loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of your temple, he might proclaim Jesus as that loving-kindness and the light of your people. There, then, is the candle alight in Simeon's hands: do you light your own candles by enkindling them at his-those lamps which the Lord commanded you to have in your hands. Come to him and be enlightened so that you do not so much carry lamps as become them, shining within

and without for yourselves and for your neighbors. So may there be a lamp in your heart, in your hand and in your mouth: let the lamp in your heart shine for yourself, the lamp in your hand and mouth for your neighbors. The lamp in your heart is faith-inspired reverence, the lamp in your hand the example of good works, the lamp in your mouth edifying speech. We have to shine not only before other people by our good works and by what we say, but also before the angels by prayer and before God by our purpose. In the presence of the angels our lamp is reverence without alloy when we sing attentively in their sight or pray fervently; before God our lamp is a single-minded resolve to please him alone to whom we have commended ourselves. In order to light all these lamps for yourselves, approach the source of light and become

enlightened-I mean Jesus who shines in Simeon's hands to light up your faith, shine on your works, inspire your speech, make your prayer fervent and refine your intentions. Then when the lamp of this life goes out, there will appear for you who had so many lamps shining within you the light of unquenchable life, and it will shine for you at evening like the brightness of midday. Though you may have thought yourself completely used up, you will rise like the daystar and your darkness will be as bright as noon. No longer will you need the sun to shine for you by day nor will the brightness of the moon give you light; instead the Lord will be an everlasting light for you because the luminary of the new Jerusalem is the Lamb. To him be praise and splendor for ever. Amen.

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40 or 22-32  
Commentary: Guerric of Igny

REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE AFTER SCHOOL SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2025

★ **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Online enrolments will close **Monday 24th March 2025**

★ **CONFIRMATION** Online enrolments will close **Monday 25th August 2025**

Please register online at:  
<https://staroftheseachurch.org.au/sacramental-programme/>

For inquiries and further information needed please contact Natasha Colli, Sacraments Coordinator: [sacraments.cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:sacraments.cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au)

**RECONCILIATION COMMITMENT MASSES** will be held at **Corpus Christi Mosman Park** on **Saturday 8th February** at **5:30pm** and **St Mary Star of the Sea Cottesloe** on **Sunday 9th February** at **10am**.  
Would you please keep in your prayers all the children who will make their commitment during Mass to prepare for their Reconciliation, also their parents and teachers who will support them during their preparation for Reconciliation.

Cottesloe / Mosman Park Parish Calendar									
Sun	Feb	2	Feast Day	8:30am	Mass	Mosman Park	The Presentation of the LORD		
Sun	Feb	2	Feast Day	10:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	The Presentation of the LORD		
Wed	Feb	5	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Agatha		
Thu	Feb	6	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saints Paul Miki and Companions		
Fri	Feb	7	First Friday	9:30am	Adoration	Cottesloe	First Friday Adoration and Benediction (9:30am-10:30am)		
Sat	Feb	8	Reconciliation	5:30pm	Mass	Mosman Park	Reconciliation Commitment Mass		
Sun	Feb	9	Reconciliation	10:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Reconciliation Commitment Mass		
Mon	Feb	10	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Scholastica		
Fri	Feb	14	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saints Cyril and Methodius		
Sat	Feb	22	Feast Day	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	The Chair of St Peter		

You will find a copy of our weekly bulletin on our website at: <https://staroftheseachurch.org.au/weekly-bulletin/>

PARISH NEWS

We congratulate Anne Pickard who has been awarded **Citizen of the Year ~ Senior ~ Town of Mosman Park for 2025**. This award is in recognition of the tireless work Anne does in the community, including our Cottesloe/Mosman Park Parish community. Anne is a stalwart in our parish, preparing each week the Prayers of the Faithful, Proclaimer of the Word at Masses and belongs to the Corpus Christi Choir and Social Committee. Anne, thank you for your work of care and service to our community and nation.  
**From Fr Marcelo, Fr Grzegorz & Cottesloe/Mosman Park Parishioners.**

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION AND BENEDICTION**  
Friday 7th of February 2025 is the first Friday of the month and there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from **9:30am to 10:30am**, and followed by Benediction.  
**Come, humbly kneel before Him. Give Him an hour of adoration**

**International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking**  
**Ambassadors of Hope: Together Against Human Trafficking** Pope Francis has designated **8th February**, the feast of **St Josephine Bakhita**, as the **International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking** following a request from Talitha Kum, the worldwide Network of Consecrated Life Against Human Trafficking.

**REGISTRATIONS FOR THE AFTER SCHOOL SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM RECONCILIATION**  
Online enrolments will close **tomorrow Monday 3rd Feb**  
**For all parents who have booked their child in for Reconciliation the Information Day is this Thursday 6th February** at the Parish Centre between **4pm-5pm**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNS ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9**

**CORPUS CHRISTI MOSMAN PARK**  
**8:15am TUESDAY MASS**  
will recommence on **Tuesday 4th February 2025**

1st & 2nd Collection Cashless Point Tap terminals at the church entrance  
1st & 2nd Collection Direct Debit information below

FIRST COLLECTION (PRIESTS)	SECOND COLLECTION (PARISH)
Account Name: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth, Cottesloe/Mosman Park	Account Name: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth, Cottesloe/Mosman Park
Account No: 115134447	Account No: 558131050
BSB: 086006	BSB: 086006
Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.	Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.

**WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS (2ND PLATE): COTTESLOE \$601.90 MOSMAN PARK \$615.05**

MOSMAN ROSTERS	This Weekend 1/2 Feb '25	Next Weekend 8/9 Feb '25
Flowers	J Stratton	Cris and Ari Ledesma Alvarez
Church Cleaning	A Broadhurst	T Davis
Readers Sat 5.30am	A Pickard	N Farias
Readers Sun 8.30am	S Cannon	R Masarei
	C Lobo	J Stratton
COTTESLOE ROSTERS	This Weekend 1/2 Feb '25	Next Weekend 8/9 Feb '25
Flowers	C McClure	S Warden
Church Cleaning	L & F Agnello	M Shea & L Mann
Readers Sun 10am	A Marerwa & R Ardon	M Shea & E O'Loughlin
Readers Sun 5pm	A Clarke	A Clarke
Morning Tea	No Morning Tea	No Morning Tea

**Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for February**  
*For vocations to the priesthood and religious life.*  
Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

**BAPTISM**  
We welcome into our Parish Community through baptism:  
**Lucia Grace Langsford**  
daughter of  
**Bianca Zito & Jonathon Langsford**

**Montana Hawke Aguirrebena**  
**Rowa Hawke Aguirrebena**  
daughters of  
**Michael Hawke and Noelle Aguirrebena Tolosa**

We ask God to bless Lucia, Montana & Rowa their parents, Godparents, and families, surround them with Your goodness and lead them in Your light each day of their life.

**OUR SICK**  
Please keep those who are sick at home, and in nursing homes and in the general community in your prayers. Let us keep our parishioners who are unable to be with us at Mass:  
Roger Duggan  
Dariusz Rapcewicz  
Francesca Letizia  
Maria Blaszczyńska  
Jill Ivey  
Leon & Burchell Jones  
Julie Atrache  
Daphne Da Rosa  
Mrs. Loreto Pell  
Tim and Estelle Beckett  
Marie and Ivo Milicich

**Requiescat in Pace**  
For family members & friends who have recently passed to Eternal Life, and especially for all the departed Souls:  
**Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen."**