

SLAVES OF GOD OR MONEY?

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in my distress, I will hear them. And I will be their Lord for ever.

1st Reading Amos 8: 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PS 112:1-2, 4-8

RESPONSE: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! **R/**

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? **R/**

From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dunghill he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. **R/**

2nd Reading 1 TIM 2: 1-8

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 COR 8: 9

Alléluia, alléluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alléluia!

GOSPEL LK 16: 1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples, 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the

stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes." ' Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." ' The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. 'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? 'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

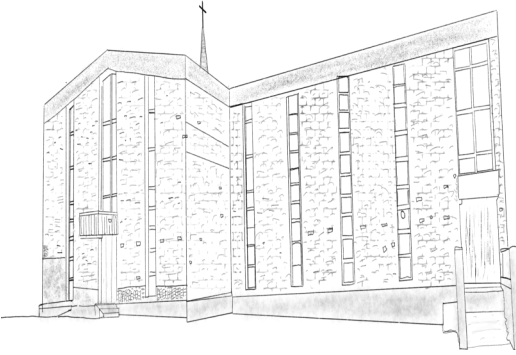


ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA & CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

21st September 2025



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Saturday 12:00pm Star of the Sea

Saturday 5:00pm Corpus Christi

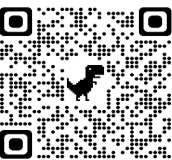
Sundays at 10am Mass (during school term)

First Friday of the month immediately after 9am Mass

Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 11am

Only by appointment

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PARISH CALENDAR – Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Sunday, 21st September 2025

8:30am Mass—Mosman Park
10:00am Mass—Cottesloe
Children's Liturgy
12:00pm Mass—(Spanish) Cottesloe
5:00pm Mass—Cottesloe

Monday, 22nd September 2025

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Tuesday, 23rd September 2025

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

Wednesday, 24th September 2025

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Thursday, 25th September 2025

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Friday, 26th September 2025

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Saturday, 27th September 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)



You cannot be the slave both of God and of money

The Lord Jesus, true teacher of the precepts that lead to salvation, wished to urge upon the apostles' m his own time and all believers today the Christian duty of almsgiving. He therefore related the parable of the steward to make us realize that nothing in this world really belongs to us. We have been entrusted with the administration of our Lord's property to use what we need with thanksgiving, and to distribute the rest among our fellow servants according to the needs of each one. We must not squander the wealth entrusted to us, nor use it on superfluities, for when the Lord comes we shall be required to account for our expenditure. Finally, at the end of the parable, the Lord adds: *Use worldly wealth to make friends with the poor, so that when it fails you, when you have spent all you possessed on the needs of the poor and have nothing left, they may welcome you into eternal dwellings.* In other words, these same poor people will befriend you by assuring your salvation, for Christ, the giver of eternal rewards, will declare that he himself received the acts of kindness done to them. Not in their own name, then, will these poor folk welcome us, but in the name of him who is refreshed in their persons by the fruit of our faith and obedience. Those who exercised this ministry of love will be received into the eternal dwellings of the kingdom of heaven, for the King will say: *Come, blessed of my Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world; for I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink. But if you have been untrustworthy in the administration of worldly wealth, who is going to trust you with true riches?* For if someone cannot be relied on to administer worldly possessions that provide the means for all sorts of wrong doing, would anyone dream of trusting that person with the true heavenly riches rightly and deservedly enjoyed by those who have been faithful in giving to the poor? The Lord's query above is immediately followed by another: *If you cannot be trusted with another's property, who will give you your own?* Nothing in this world really belongs to us. We who hope for a future reward are told to live in this world as strangers and pilgrims, so as to be able to say to the Lord without fear of contradiction: *I am a stranger and a pilgrim like all my ancestors.* What believers can regard as their own is that eternal and heavenly possession where our heart is and our treasure, and where intense longing makes us dwell already through faith, for as Saint Paul teaches, *Our homeland is in heaven.*

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13
Commentary: Gaudentius of Brescia

Parish Quiz Night – Generations Challenge!

Who will win — the older generation who has seen it all, or the younger crowd who think the oldies are past it? Expert Quiz Master Rick Ardon has something for everyone: general knowledge, music, and a few tricks up his sleeve!

Date: Saturday, 25th October 2025

Time: Doors open 6:45pm | Quiz starts 7:00pm

Venue: Parish Hall, 430 Stirling Hwy, Peppermint Grove (recently renovated!)

Tickets: \$20 per person

Book online:

https://donorbox.org/quiz-night-with-live-silent-auction-fundraiser-hosted-by-rick-ardon?utm_medium=qr&utm_source=qr

On the Night:

- Food, soft drinks, tea, coffee & water available for purchase
- BYO (drinks only, no food)
- Silent & live auctions with fantastic prizes
- Raffle tickets: \$5 each or 5 for \$20


Supporting Our Community

All funds raised will support:

1. St Patrick’s Community Support Centre – vital services for those facing homelessness in Perth’s South Metro Region.

2. Acts 2 College – training and equipping young people for service in the community.

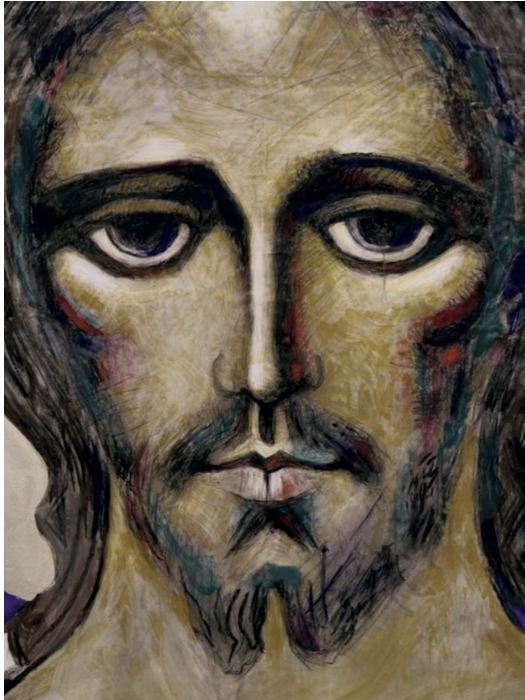
Thank you for your generosity and community spirit. Your support makes this event a success!



COTTESLOE / MOSMAN PARK PARISH CALENDAR									
Tue	Sep	23	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, priest		
Sat	Sep	27	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Vincent de Paul, priest		
Mon	Sep	29	Feast Day	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangles		
Tue	Sep	30	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Jerome, doctor		

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

PARISH NEWS




Whom do you seek?
HE IS RISEN!
Come and see!

Mk 16:6

In this Jubilee Year 2025,
Fr Marcelo and Fr Grzegorz
invite you to
come and listen!

CATECHESIS for YOUNG and ADULTS

Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 pm
Starting on Monday, August 11th
at St Mary Star of the Sea Parish Centre,
COTTESLOE



Baby sitting and
transport provided
on request.

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PET BLESSING MASS 2025

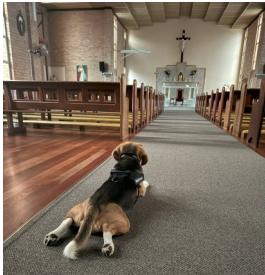
You are invited to our pet blessing and outdoor Mass to commemorate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. Come and meet other pet lovers in our Parish, and celebrate St Francis’ message that we encounter Christ through all creation.

DATE: SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER 2025

TIME: 9:00AM

VENUE: ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH GROUNDS

All pets are welcome subject to the following:
Dogs must be socialised and kept on lead at all times.
Cats and other pets must be contained in a pet carrier.
You are welcome to bring a picture of your pet if you are unable to bring your pet.
Please register here if you are coming with your pet:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZNCK8DW>



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WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS (2ND PLATE): COTTESLOE \$513.15 MOSMAN PARK \$429.15	

MOSMAN ROSTERS	This Weekend 20/21 Sep '25		Next Weekend 27/28 Sep '25	
Flowers	C Lobo		R Beech	
Church Cleaning	C Donnelly		M Cooray	
Readers Sat 5.30am	A Pickard		N Farias	
Readers Sun 8.30am	S Cannon	C Lobo	R Masarei	J Stratton
COTTESLOE ROSTERS	This Weekend 20/21 Sep '25		Next Weekend 27/28 Sep '25	
Flowers	C McClure		D Hintz(E Madara & S Marerwa)	
Church Cleaning	N & P Colli		Spanish Community	
Readers Sun 10am	E O'Loughlin & K Lewis		N Nustes & R Ardon	
Readers Sun 5pm	I Yeo		J von Perger	
Morning Tea	No Morning Tea		No Morning Tea	

Intentions for September

For our relationship with all of creation.

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Cottesloe / Mosman Park Parish Community through baptism:

Charlotte Abbe

Alexander James

children of

Mark & Irene Dolan Price

We ask God to bless Charlotte and Alexander their parents, Godparents, and their 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:

Dariusz Rapcewicz

Francesca Letizia


Maria Blaszczyńska

Leon & Burchell Jones

Julie Atrache

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.