

# THE LAMB OF GOD

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 65:4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

## 1st READING Is 49: 3, 5-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

## The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10

RESPONSE: Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new

song into my mouth, praise of our God. *R/*

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. *R/*

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. *R/*

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. *R/*

## 2nd READING 1 Cor 1:1-3

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JN 1:14,12

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL JN 1:29-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

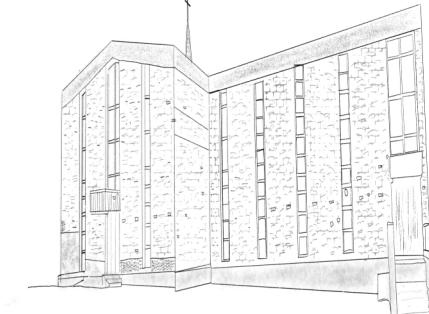
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



# St Mary Star of the Sea & Corpus Christi Parish

## 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

18TH JANUARY 2026



**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr. Marcelo Parra  
**ASSISTANT PRIEST:** Fr. Grzegorz Rapcewicz  
**PARISH SECRETARY:** Ann Clarke  
**SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:**  
**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday, Wednesday & Friday (9.30am to 12.30pm)  
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**RECONCILIATIONS:** Saturday 12:00pm Star of the Sea  
**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Saturday 5:00pm Corpus Christi  
**ADORATION \* BENEDICTION:** Sundays at 10am Mass (during school term)  
**BAPTISMS:** First Friday of the month immediately after 9am Mass  
**WEDDINGS:** Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 11am  
**COLUMBIARIUM COORDINATOR:** Only by appointment  
Ann Clarke (Email: columbarium.cottlesoe@perthcatholic.org.au)



## PARISH CALENDAR – SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

### Sunday, 18th January 2026

8:30am Mass—Mosman Park

10:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

NO Children's Liturgy

12:00pm Mass—(Spanish) Cottlesoe

5:00pm Mass—Cottlesoe

### Monday, 19th January 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

### Tuesday, 20th January 2026

8:15am NO Mass—Mosman Park

9:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

### Wednesday, 21st January 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

### Friday, 23rd January 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

### Saturday, 24th January 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

12:00pm Confessions—Cottlesoe

5:00pm Confessions—Mosman Park

5:30pm Vigil Mass—Mosman Park

8:00pm Neocatechumenal Community Mass (Parish Centre Cottlesoe)

### Thursday, 22nd January 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottlesoe

# BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD, WHO TAKES AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD.

When he saw Jesus coming toward him John said: "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. "No longer does he say: Prepare. That would be out of place now that at last he who was prepared for is seen, is before our very eyes. The nature of the case now calls for a different type of homily. An explanation is needed of who is present, and why he has come down to us from heaven. So John says: Behold the Lamb of God, of whom the prophet Isaiah told us in the words: He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and like a lamb before his shearer he opened not his mouth. In past ages he was typified by the law of Moses, but because the law was merely a figure and a foreshadowing its salvation was only partial; its mercy did not reach out to embrace the whole world. But now me true lamb, the victim without blemish obscurely prefigured in former times, is led to the slaughter for all to banish sin from the

world, to overthrow the world's destroyer, to abolish death by dying for the entire human race, and to release us from the curse: Dust you are and to dust you shall return. He will become the second Adam who is not of earth but of heaven, and will be for us the source of every blessing. He will deliver us from the corruptibility foreign to our nature; he will secure eternal life for us, reconcile us with God, teach us to revere God and to live upright lives, and be our way to the kingdom of heaven. One Lamb died for all to restore the whole flock on earth to God the Father; one died for all to make all subject to God; one died for all to gain all so that all might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them. Because our many sins had made us subject to death and corruption, the Father gave his son as our redemption, one for all, since all were in him and he was greater than all. One died for all so that all

of us might live in him. Death swallowed the Lamb who was sacrificed for all, and then disgorging him disgorged all of us in him and with him; for we were all in Christ who died and rose again for us. Once sin had been destroyed how could death, which was caused by sin, fail to be wholly annihilated? With the root dead how could the branch survive? What power will death have over us now that sin has been blotted out? And so, rejoicing in the sacrifice of the Lamb let us cry out: O death, where is your victory? O grave, where is your sting? All wickedness shall hold its tongue, as the Psalmist sings somewhere. Henceforth it will be unable to denounce sinners for their weakness, for God is the one who acquires us- Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse/or our sake, so that we might escape the curse brought down on us by sin.

Gospel: John 1:29-34 Commentary: Cyril of Alex-

## REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE AFTER SCHOOL SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

- RECONCILIATION Online enrolments will close **Monday 2nd February 2026**
- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Online enrolments will close **Monday 23rd March 2026**
- CONFIRMATION Online enrolments will close **Monday 17th August 2026**

Please register online at:

<https://staroftheseachurch.org.au/sacramental-programme/>

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

### Cottesloe / Mosman Park Parish Calendar

Tue	Jan	20	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Fabian	Saint Sebastian
Wed	Jan	21	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Agnes	
Thu	Jan	22	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Vincent	
Sat	Jan	24	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Francis de Sales	
Mon	Jan	26	Holiday	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Australia Day	
Tue	Jan	27	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saints Timothy and Titus and Saint Angela Merici	
Wed	Jan	28	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Thomas Aquinas	
Sat	Jan	31	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint John Bosco	



## PARISH NEWS



**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME AND ARE NEEDED** Our parish church at Cottesloe and Mosman Park is looking for volunteers for all of the Ministries for **Altar Society, Church Cleaners, Readers at the Masses, Musician, and singers for the choirs at the Masses**. Musicians, through their ministry, aim to encourage the congregation to actively participate in the liturgy.

Their role is to provide the accompaniment and lead to enable the members of the assembly to sing the responses, acclamations and songs of the liturgy. If you would like to get involved, with musical instruments or the Choir, please speak with Fr Marcelo or Fr Grzegorz either before or after Mass, or contact the Parish Office. Email: [cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au)

## CORPUS CHRISTI NATIVITY CRIB

We thank all of our parishioners and visitors who cheerfully and kindly assisted us in dismantling our nativity Crib, helping to move all the figures of the Manger for restorage in the choir loft last weekend.



## NO WELCOMING MASS MORNING TEA IN JANUARY

Our morning tea committee are taking a well-earned break over the New Year and will return with morning tea at the commencement of the new school year. We send everyone our wishes for a safe and Happy New Year and festive season with your families and friends.

## SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

During the school holidays there will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:00am Mass; our Children's Liturgy will recommence on Sunday **8th February 2026**.

## MOSMAN PARK CORPUS CHRISTI NO TUESDAY MORNING MASS

During the summer holidays there will be no **Tuesday 8:15am Mass** **Mass @ 8:15am** on Tuesday's will recommence in **February 2026**

1st & 2nd Collection Cashless Point Tap terminals at the church entrance

1st & 2nd Collection Direct Debit information below

### FIRST COLLECTION (PRIESTS)

Account Name: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth, Cottesloe/Mosman Park

Account No: 115134447

BSB: 086006

Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.

### SECOND COLLECTION (PARISH)

Account Name: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth, Cottesloe/Mosman Park

Account No: 558131050

BSB: 086006

Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.

**WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS (2ND PLATE): COTTESLOE \$613.43 MOSMAN PARK \$549.52**

## POPE'S INTENTIONS JANUARY

For prayer with the Word of God.

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

## 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:

Michael Beech

Dariusz Rapcewicz

Francesca Letizia

Maria Blaszczynska

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. Amen.*