

# FLEE TO EGYPT

## ENTRANCE ANTHEM Lk 2:16

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

## FIRST READING SIR 3:2-6, 12-14

### A reading from the Book of Sirach

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps127: 1-5.

### Response: Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. *R/*

Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. *R/*

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life! *R/*

## SECOND READING Col 3:12-21

### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful. Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Col 3:15-16

Alléluia, alléluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alléluia!

## GOSPEL Mt 2:13-15,19-23

### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

After the wise men had left, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you, and escape into Egypt, and stay there until I tell you, because Herod intends to search for the child and do away with him.' So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod was dead. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken through the prophet:

*I called my son out of Egypt.*

After Herod's death, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you and go back to the land of Israel, for those who wanted to kill the child are dead.' So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, went back to the land of Israel. But when he learnt that Archelaus had succeeded his father Herod as ruler of Judaea he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he left for the region of Galilee. There he settled in a town called Nazareth. In this way the words spoken through the prophets were to be fulfilled: '*He will be called a Nazarene.*'

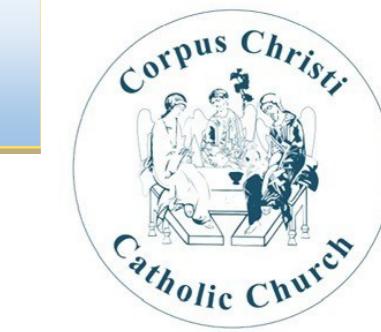
The Gospel of the Lord  
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



# St Mary Star of the Sea & Corpus Christi Parish

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH YEAR A

28TH DECEMBER 2025



### PARISH PRIEST:

Fr. Marcelo Parra

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Saturday 12:00pm Star of the Sea

Saturday 5:00pm Corpus Christi

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First Friday of the month immediately after 9am Mass

Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 11am

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## PARISH CALENDAR – Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

### Sunday, 28th December 2025

8:30am Mass—Mosman Park

10:00am Mass—Cottesloe

NO Children's Liturgy

12:00pm Mass—(Spanish) Cottesloe

5:00pm Mass—Cottesloe

### Monday, 29th December 2025

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Tuesday, 30th December 2025

8:15am NO Mass—Mosman Park

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Wednesday, 31st December 2025

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Thursday, 1st January 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Friday, 2nd January 2026

First Friday of the Month

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

9:30am Adoration

10:00am Benediction

### Saturday, 3rd January 2026

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)

# TAKE THE CHILD AND HIS MOTHER, AND FLEE to EGYPT.

Today, as a firstborn son, Christ went down into Egypt to end the mourning its ancient bereavement had brought upon that land. Instead of plagues he brought joy, instead of night and darkness he gave the light of salvation. Of old the river's water had been polluted by the untimely deaths of murdered infants. Therefore he who long ago had stained the waters red went down into Egypt and purified those waters by the power of the Holy Spirit, making them the source of salvation. When the Egyptians were afflicted they raged against God and denied him. Therefore he went down into Egypt, filled devout souls with the knowledge of God and made the river more productive of martyrs than it was of ears of grain. What

more shall I say of this mystery? I see a carpenter and a manger, an infant and swaddling clothes, a virgin giving birth without the necessities of life; nothing but poverty and complete destitution. Have you ever seen wealth in such great penury? How could he who was rich have become, for our sake, so poor that he had neither bed nor bedding but was laid in a manger? Of immeasurable wealth concealed in poverty! He lies in a manger, yet he rocks the whole world. He is bound with swaddling bands, yet he breaks the bonds of sin. Before he could speak he taught the wise men and converted them. What else can I say? Here is the newborn babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. With him are Mary, virgin and mother,

and Joseph who was called his father. Joseph was only betrothed to Mary when the Holy Spirit overshadowed her; so he was at a loss as to what he should call the child. While he was in this perplexity a message from heaven came to him by the voice of an angel: Do not be afraid, Joseph. It is by the Holy Spirit that she has conceived this child. In her virginity the Holy Spirit overshadowed her. Why was Christ born of a virgin, and her virginity preserved inviolate? Because of old the devil had deceived the virgin Eve, Gabriel brought the Good News to the Virgin Mary. Having fallen into the trap. Eve spoke the word that led to death. Having received the good News, Mary gave birth to the incarnate Word who has brought us eternal life.

## 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

Sun	Dec	28	Solemnity	10:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
Thu	Jan	1	Solemnity	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Fri	Jan	2	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Basil and Gregory
Fri	Jan	2	Adoration	9:30am	Benediction	Cottesloe	1st Friday of the month
Sat	Jan	3	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Most Holy Name of Jesus
Wed	Jan	7	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Raymond of Peñafort
Tue	Jan	13	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Hilary
Sat	Jan	17	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Anthony
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	<b>Australia Day</b>
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

### 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.

### NEW YEARS DAY MASS Thursday, 1st January 2026 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Mass is at 9:00am in St Mary Star of the Sea Cottesloe

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

This **Friday 2nd of January, 2026** is the first Friday of the month and following the **9am Mass** there will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** from 9:30am to 10:30am, followed by **Benediction**.



*Come, humbly kneel before Him. Give Him an hour of adoration*

### 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**



We wish Fr Marcelo a safe and happy journey as he travels to join his family for the **Christmas Holidays**. Please keep Fr Marcelo and his family in your prayers and we look forward to his safe return. We wish Fr Marcelo and his family a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy and blessed New Year in 2026**.

### 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 **1st February 2026**. **Merry Christmas & a Happy New**

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 Archibishop of Perth, Cottesloe/Mosman Park

Account No: **115134447**

BSB: **086006**

Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.

#### SECOND COLLECTION (PARISH)

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

Account No: **558131050**

BSB: **086006**

Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.

### WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS (2ND PLATE): COTTESLOE \$674.98 MOSMAN PARK \$620.88

MOSMAN ROSTERS	This Weekend 27/28 Dec '25	Next Weekend 3/4 Jan '26
Flowers	C Lobo	R Beech
Church Cleaning	M Cooray	A Broadhurst
Readers Sat 5.30am	A Pickard	M Davis
Readers Sun 8.30am	Sr Mary Mackin	N Kalnejais
	C Wearn	B Wearn
COTTESLOE ROSTERS	This Weekend 27/28 Dec '25	Next Weekend 3/4 Jan '26
Flowers	D Hintz, J Bryant & S Warden	C McClure
Church Cleaning	Spanish Community	Lydia & Frank Agnello
Readers Sun 10am	R Ardon & N Nustes	A Marerwa & K Lewis
Readers Sun 5pm	J von Perger	Volunteer
Morning Tea	No Morning Tea	No Morning Tea

### BAPTISM

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

Arlo Alchin  
Ainsley Alchin  
daughters of Alicia Palandri  
and Shane Alchin

Poppy Claire Jacobs  
Billy Raymond Jacobs  
daughter and son of  
Sarah & Tim Jacobs

Alexander John Kavanagh  
son of Kathryn Cannon  
and Grant Kavanagh

Oscar Edward Farrelly  
Frankie Grace Farrelly  
son and daughter of  
Nathan & Elle Farrelly

We ask God to bless Arlo, Ainsley, Poppy, Billy, Alexander, Oscar and Frankie 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:

Michael Beech  
Anne Antonacci  
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.*