

## I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Acts 1:11

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

### 1st Reading Acts 1:1-11

#### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still

staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM 46:2-3, 6-9

**RESPONSE: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. *R/*

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. *R/*

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. *R/*

### 2nd Reading Eph 1:17-23

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

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the pow-

er that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The Word of the Lord

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### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 28:19,20

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. **Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL Mt 28:16-20

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

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**



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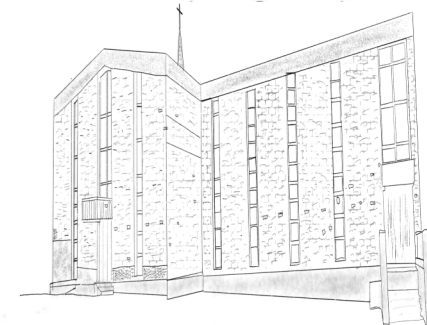
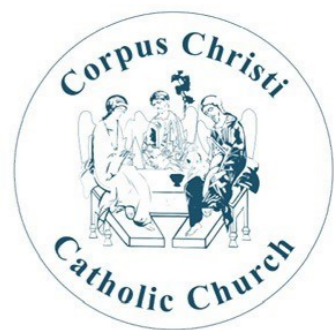
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**ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA &  
CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH**

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD YEAR A

17th May 2026



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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 – SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER

### Sunday, 17th May 2026

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

### Monday, 18th May 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Tuesday, 19th May 2026

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

### Wednesday, 20th May 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Thursday, 21st May 2026

9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

### Friday, 22nd May 2026

9:00am Cottesloe

### Saturday, 23rd May 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)

## ALL authority IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ME

The gospel describes the Lord's life upon earth and his return to heaven. But the sublime prophet David, as though unencumbered by the weight of his body, rose above himself to mingle with the heavenly powers and record for us their words as they accompanied the Master when he came down from heaven. Ordering the angels on earth entrusted with the care of human life to raise the gates, they cried: Lift up your gates, you princes; be lifted up you everlasting doors. Let the King of glory enter. But because wherever he is he who contains all things in himself makes himself like those who receive him, not only becoming a man among human beings, but also when among angels conforming his nature to theirs, the gatekeepers asked: Who is this King of glory? He is the strong

one, they were told, mighty in battle, the one who is to grapple with and overthrow the captor of the human race who has the power of death. When this last enemy has been destroyed, he will restore us to freedom and peace. Now the mystery of Christ's death is fulfilled, victory is won, and the cross, the sign of triumph, is raised on high. He who gives us the noble gifts of life and a kingdom has ascended into heaven, leading captivity captive. Therefore, the same command is repeated. Once more the gates of heaven must open for him. Our guardian angels, who have now become his escorts, order them to be flung wide so that he may enter and regain his former glory. But he is not recognized in the soiled garments of our life, in clothes reddened by the winepress of human sin.

Again, the escorting angels are asked: Who is this King of glory? The answer is no longer, The strong one, mighty in battle but, The lord of hosts, he who has gained power over the whole universe, who has recapitulated all things in himself, who is above all things, who has restored all creation to its former state: He is the King of glory. You see how much David has added to our joy in this feast and contributed to the gladness of the Church. Therefore as far as we can let us imitate the prophet by our love for God, by gentleness and by patience with those who hate us. Let the prophet's teaching help us to live in a way pleasing to God in Christ Jesus our Lord, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20  
 Commentary: Gregory of Nyssa

### Columbarium at the Shrine of St Mary Star of the Sea

Our Columbarium is peacefully located alongside the Shrine of St Mary Star of the Sea, set within a beautiful rose garden with seating for quiet reflection and visitation.

Single niches are available, each designed to respectfully hold the ashes of one person. The Parish is committed to the dignified care, operation, and ongoing maintenance of both the Columbarium and the Shrine. A comprehensive set of General Conditions outlines Parish policy and ensures the respectful management of this sacred space.

**Purchase a Niche:** You are invited to secure a niche of your choice within our tranquil church grounds at St Mary Star of the Sea, Cottesloe.

**Cost:** \$715 per niche

#### Special Offer:

Pay before **30 June 2026** to go into the draw to win a **Boatshed Market voucher valued at \$100.**

For enquiries or to arrange a purchase, please contact: **Ann Clarke**  
[columbarium.cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:columbarium.cottesloe@perthcatholic.org.au)

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

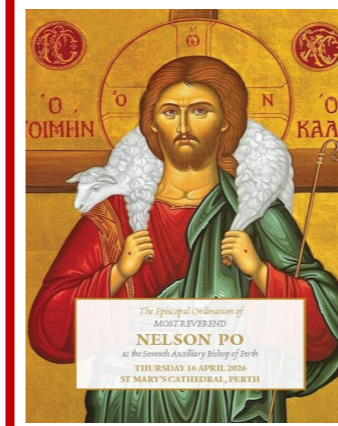
Mon	May	18	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint John 1
Wed	May	20	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Bernadine of Siena
Thu	May	21	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saints Christopher Magallenes and companions
Fri	May	22	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Rita of Cascia
Mon	May	25	Solemnity	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	<b>OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS (memorial)</b>
Tue	May	26	Memorial	8:15am	Mass	Mosman Pk	Saint Philip Neri
Tue	May	26	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Philip Neri
Wed	May	27	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Augustine of Canterbury
Fri	May	29	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Paul VI



## PARISH NEWS

### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) SUNDAY JUNE 7TH MOSMAN PARK PARISH FEAST DAY

To celebrate the **Mosman Park Parish Feast Day** on **Sunday June 7th** the Mosman Park **8:30am** Mass and the Cottesloe **10:00am** Mass are being combined and held at **Corpus Christi Church** at the corner of Palmerston & Lochee St Mosman Park commencing at **8:30am**. Following the celebration of Mass a **MORNING TEA** will be held. We invite all parishioners and visitors to come to Mosman Park Church and join the celebrations for the **Corpus Christi Feast Day**.  
**REMINDER: NO 10AM MASS AT ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA ON SUNDAY JUNE 7TH**



### BISHOP NELSON PO EPISCOPAL ORDINATION BOOKLET

A limited number of copies of the new Auxiliary Bishop Nelson Po's Episcopal Ordination booklet are available for those who would like a copy as memorabilia.

To order a copy, please email [communications@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:communications@perthcatholic.org.au) and ensure you include your name and postal address.

**Please be quick to avoid disappointment.**

### SATURDAY 23 MAY | VOLUNTEER THANKSGIVING MASS

As part of **National Volunteer Week**, we honour the invaluable contributions of our volunteers in the **Catholic Archdiocese of Perth**. Join us in thanking these dedicated individuals for their selfless service with **Bishop Don Sproston** who will celebrate the Eucharist from **9.30am - 10.30am at St Mary's Cathedral.**

**2026-2027 PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:** will be available at the Parish churches, in early June, you are welcome to collect a box of envelopes for your contribution.

**1st COLLECTION** provides the financial support of the priests of the Parish.  
**2nd COLLECTION** the operating costs of the Cottesloe/Mosman Park Parish.  
**If you prefer to use direct debit the details are detailed below.**

**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  
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 Bank: National Australia Bank Limited.

**WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS (2ND PLATE): COTTESLOE \$761.10 MOSMAN PARK \$358.95**

MOSMAN ROSTERS	This Weekend 16/17 May'26	Next Weekend 23/24 May'26
Flowers	J Stratton	C Lobo
Church Cleaning	C Donnelly	M Cooray
Readers Sat 5.30am	M Davis	A Pickard
Readers Sun 8.30am	C Lobo	S Cannon
		A Santelli
		R Masarei
COTTESLOE ROSTERS	This Weekend 16/17 May'26	Next Weekend 23/24 May'26
Flowers	C McClure	Pentecost Sunday Flower Team
Church Cleaning	M Shea & L Mann	Spanish Community
Readers Sun 10am	M Shea & L Mann	E O'Loughlin & R Ardon
Readers Sun 5pm	I Yeo	J von Perger
Morning Tea	No Morning Tea	No Morning Tea

## POPE'S INTENTIONS MAY

**That everyone might have food.**  
 Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### BAPTISM

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

**Allegra Diaz Toms**  
 daughter of  
 Gregory & Edna Carolina Toms

### Lennox Roberts Effie Roberts

son and daughter of  
 Daniel & Stacey Roberts  
 We ask God to bless Allegra, Lennox and Effie 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:

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:

*Today's 10am Mass is for the reposed soul of Kevin Sullivan former parishioner of Cottesloe/Mosman Park who passed to eternal life on 18th May 1988 R.I.P.*

**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."**