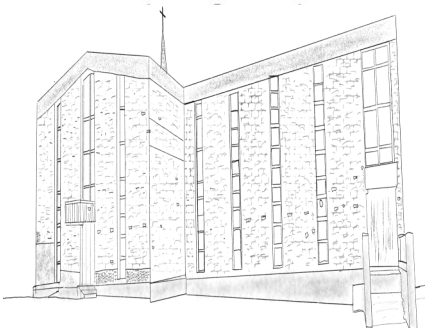
St Mary Star of the Sea & Corpus Christi Parish

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A

25th October 2026





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Children's Liturgy:	**Sundays at 10am Mass (during school term)**
Adoration * Benediction:	**First Friday of the month immediately after 9am Mass**
Baptisms:	**Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 11am**
Weddings:	**Only by appointment**
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Parish Calendar – Thirtieth Week of Ordinary Time

Sunday, 25th October 2026
10:00am Mass—Cottesloe
NO Children's Liturgy
12:00pm Mass (Spanish) Cottesloe
5:00pm Mass—Cottesloe

Tuesday, 27th October 2026
NO MASS—Mosman Park
9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Wednesday, 28th October 2026
9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Thursday, 29th October 2026
9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Friday, 30th October 2026
9:00am Mass—Cottesloe

Saturday, 31th October 2026
12:00pm Confessions Cottesloe
5:00pm Confessions Mosman Park
5:30pm Vigil Mass Mosman Park
8:00pm Neocatechumenal Community Mass Parish Centre Cottesloe

Sunday, 1st November 2026
All Saints (Sunday Mass Times)

Monday, 2nd November 2026
9:00am Mass—Cottesloe
All Souls

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself

I know, beloved, how well fed you are every day by the exhortations of Holy Scripture, and what nourishment your hearts find in the word of God. Nevertheless, the affection we have for one another compels me to say something to you, beloved, about love. What else is there to speak of apart from love? To speak about love there is no need to select some special passage of Scripture to serve as a text for the homily; open the Bible at any page and you will find it extolling love. We know this is so from the Lord himself, as the gospel reminds us, for when asked what were the most important commandments of the law he answered: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind; and you shall love your neighbor as yourself. And then, just in case you might be tempted to search further through the pages of Holy Scripture for some commandments other than these two, he added: The entire law and the prophets also depend upon these two commandments. If the entire law and the prophets depend upon these two commandments, how much more must the gospel do so? People are renewed by love. As sinful desire ages them, so love rejuvenates them. Enmeshed in the toils of his desires the psalmist laments: I have grown old surrounded by my enemies. Love, on the other hand, is the sign of our renewal as we know from the Lord's own words; I give you a new commandment—love one another. Even in former times there were people who loved God without thought of reward, and whose hearts were purified by their chaste longing for him. They drew back the veils obscuring the ancient promises, and caught a glimpse through these figures of a new covenant to come. They saw that all the precepts and promises of the old covenant, geared to the capacities of an unregenerate people, prefigured a new covenant which the Lord would bring to fulfillment in the last age. The Apostle says this quite clearly: The things that happened to them were symbolic, and were recorded for us who are living in the last age. When the time for it came the new covenant began to be openly proclaimed, and those ancient figures were expounded and explained so that all might understand that the old covenant promises pointed to the new covenant. And so love was present under the old covenant just as it is under the new, though then it was more hidden and fear was more apparent, whereas now love is more clearly seen and fear is diminished. For as love grows stronger we feel more secure, and when our feeling of security is complete fear vanishes, since, as the apostle John declares: Perfect love casts out fear.

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40
Commentary: Augustine

Thank You to Our Volunteers - Saint Carlo Acutis Relic Exhibition



The 1st class Relic Exhibition of Saint Carlo Acutis was successfully held from 12 to 18 October 2026 at St Mary Star of the Sea Parish Hall.

Once again, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers for their time, dedication, and generous support throughout the exhibition.

May God bless you all.

Saint Carlo Acutis, pray for us!



COTTESLOE / MOSMAN PARK PARISH CALENDAR

Wed	Oct	28	Feast Day	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	*Saints Simon and Jude*
Sun	Nov	1			Mass	Cottesloe	All Saints
Mon	Nov	2	Solemnity	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	*The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed*
Tue	Nov	3	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	*Saint Martin de Porres*
Wed	Nov	4	Memorial	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	Saint Charles Borromeo
Fri	Nov	6	1st Friday	9:00am	Mass	Cottesloe	1st Friday of the Month
Fri	Nov	6	Adoration	9:30am	Benediction	Cottesloe	Adoration and Benediction



PARISH NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to all the Candidates, who will receive their Sacrament of Confirmation during the 10:00am Mass at St Mary Star of the Sea Church, Cottesloe this morning. This is a beautiful day of commitment, celebration and joy. We pray the best for each of you as you continue your spiritual journey.

Beau Dix
Grace Mete
Jacques Burling



Nikol Varhalikova
Tinashe Marerwa
Zane Weerasekera



NOVEMBER – Month of Remembrance of the Faithful Departed During the month of November, we remember in a special way those who have gone before us in faith. Prayers offered for the deceased is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform. Our prayers help them during their time in Purgatory, so that they can enter more quickly into the fullness of heaven. Parishioners and visitors are invited to write down the names of all deceased relatives and friends in the **Book of Remembrance** at the front of the Church. These names will be remembered in all of the Masses said during the month of November. Mass Offering Envelopes are at the entrances of the Church.



HOLY SOULS MASS - Monday 2nd November

All parishioners are invited to join us for Holy Souls Mass at 9:00 am at St Mary Star of the Sea Cottesloe, as we pray for our departed loved ones and all the faithful departed.





On behalf of the Church in Malawi, thank you once again for your generosity.

Your support is helping create spaces where children like Yamikani* can learn, families can rebuild, and communities can move forward together.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to donate, please visit catholicmission.org.au/united to lend your support today.

To learn more about the work of Catholic Mission in Malawi and around the world to see other examples of life-giving programs around the world, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work

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WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS (2ND PLATE): COTTESLOE $650.57 MOSMAN PARK $470.57

MOSMAN ROSTERS	**This Weekend 24/25 Oct '26**		**Next Weekend 31Oct/1 Nov '26**	
Flowers	A Tedesco	A Broadhurst	J Stratton	
Church Cleaning	M Cooray		T Davis	
Readers Sat 5.30pm				
COTTESLOE ROSTERS	**This Weekend 24/25 Oct '26**		**Next Weekend 31Oct/1 Nov '26**	
Flowers	Confirmation Flower Team		E Madara & S Marerwa	
Church Cleaning	Spanish Community		S Bennett	
Readers Sun 10am	**Confirmation Candidates**		A Marerwa & K Lewis	
Readers Sun 5pm	Volunteer		Volunteer	
Morning Tea	**Confirmation Morning Tea**		No Morning Tea	

Pope's Intentions OCTOBER

For mental health ministry. Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

Baptism

We welcome into our Parish Community through baptism:

Ava Jane Barclay
daughter of
Melodee & Nicholas Barclay

We ask God to bless Ava, her 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:

Ellen Lisangan
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."

OBSERVE THE SORT OF LIFE WE LIVE

Entrance Antiphon Ps 104:3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

1st Reading Exo 22:20-26

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this: "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans. "If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him. "If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 7:2-4,47,51

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. ***R/***

Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. ***R/***

2nd Reading 1 Thes 1:5-10

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

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alléluia, alléluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alléluia!

Gospel Mt 22:34-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.