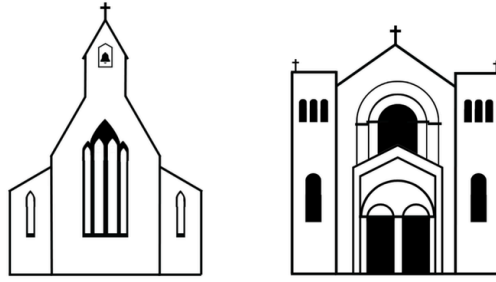


Reader/Lector

St Mary's and St Colman's



St Mary's St Kilda East and St Colman's Balaclava Volunteer Role: Reader/Lector Supervisor: Father Jerome Santamaria

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Reader or Lector is the person who reads the first reading, responsorial psalm, second reading, and Gospel acclamation during the celebration of the Liturgy of the Word. The Reader/Lector may also have additional duties such as announcing the Entrance Antiphon, Communion Antiphon, and notifying the congregation of hymn numbers. The quality of the Reader's proclamation helps the faithful receive and respond to the Word. Readers should reflect the cultural diversity of the parish and can be female or male, young or old.

ACTIVITIES

- Reads the prescribed Mass readings for the day from the approved text of the Lectionary as written.
- May practice reading the text several times, first in silence and then aloud.
- Arrive in a timely manner prior to the commencement of the Mass (about 15 minutes prior to the Mass) allowing enough time for preparation and set up.
- Reading with clear articulation of the words at a suitable pace which the congregation can understand and follow the text.
- Know how to speak at and use a microphone.
- Receives suitable training and formation for the ministry before joining the roster. As required, assists in training other Readers.
- Attends yearly training sessions at the Parish.

DATE OF TRAINING

In 2025 our training session for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers for both St Mary's and St Colman's Parishes will be held on: **1st February 2025, 2.30pm at St Mary's Church**

Note: This Activity Statement is an attachment to the Volunteer Overview and must be read in conjunction with this.

I have received, reviewed and fully understand the Activity Statement which is an attachment to the Volunteer Overview and understand that these two documents form the Volunteer Position Description. By signing the Volunteer Overview, you are acknowledging responsibility for the satisfactory execution of the activities outlined.