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ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH MARAYONG

Parish Vision Statement

We are an active and welcoming Catholic community, where people of all ages draw closer to God. His love is expressed through each one of us by prayer, liturgy and reaching out in service to one another.



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy)

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday (Vigil) 6.00pm
Sunday:
7.30am, 8.45am, 10.30am .

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Each Sunday morning
after the 8.45am Mass.

Weekday Masses:

Monday: 9.00am
Tuesday: 9.00am
Wednesday: 9.00am
Novena & Mass: 7.00pm
Thursday: 8.00am
Friday: 9.00am
Saturday: 9.00am

Mass for the Sick: 4th Saturday
of the month at 9.00am

Rosary: After each morning
Mass and before the
Saturday Vigil Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

- After weekday morning Masses.
- Saturday: 4.30pm - 5.30pm
- Anytime by arrangement.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sunday
of each month at 11.45am

Baptismal Preparation:

2nd Wednesday of each month
at 7.30pm
in the Fr Byrne Centre.
Please book for Baptisms
with the Parish Office.

PIETY STALL:

Open after Masses on Saturday
night and Sunday morning or
by asking for an appointment
at the Parish Office.

FR. BYRNE CENTRE:

(Parish Meeting Rooms)
38 Breakfast Rd, Marayong.

PARISH SCHOOLS:

ST. ANDREW'S PRIMARY

Principal: Mr M. Tonnet
Phone: 8869 6700
Address: 36 Breakfast Road
Marayong 2148

ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

College Principal: Mr N. Vidot
Phone: 9626 4000

Campus -

JUNIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 7-10)

Address: 116 Quakers Road
Marayong 2148

SENIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 11-12)

Address: 50 Breakfast Road
Marayong 2148



SAYWAT is temporarily changing its structure for 2018 in order to implement some changes. Below is a list of when we will be running SAYWAT for each age group:

April: Year 9 - 12	May: Year 4 - 8	June: Year 9 - 12
July: Year 4 - 8	August: Year 9 - 12	September: TBC *
*Please see the parish bulletin for updates		
October: Year 4 - 8	November: SAYWAT's Got Talent - All year groups, Year 4 - 12	

(St. Andrews Youth Word And Teaching)

Our next SAYWAT will be held on:

Friday, 20th April, 2018 at 7:00pm.

The theme for the night is:

SSID: God's Fam

PW: [Insert your name]

What's the password to connect to the wifi named God's fam? All you do is insert your own name.

The evening commences with our Youth Mass at 7:00pm followed by supper and social & faith activities.

In April this is available for young people from year 9 to year 12. Families are reminded of the importance of collecting the young people at 10:00pm when the evening concludes.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you have not filled out a Registration Form, please do so as soon as possible and return it to the Church or Parish Office. Forms are available at the back of the Church.

If you are a new parishioner, we ask you to complete a Registration Form, and return it to the Parish Office.

Bulletin Highlights ...

- ♦ **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**
- ♦ **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**
- ♦ **CONGRATULATIONS - BAPTISM - RCIA PROGRAM - & WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**
- ♦ **UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS**

From Monsignor Ron ...

I believe it would be very helpful to look at the effect that the first Easter had on the disciples of Jesus. To be honest, they were in a mess. They had invested three years of their lives in Jesus and they had built their dreams around him; now their whole world had fallen apart. Now, with the resurrection of Jesus, things change once again for Jesus is with them.

What we need to focus on is how Jesus approached this situation and his disciples. He did not criticize them for their lack of faith or for running away. All he wanted to do was to help them. This is important to us, especially if we think we have drifted too far away from our God in our lives. To God we are still his chosen people and we can make a new beginning today. What is more, he is going to do everything he can to help us make this transition.

This weekend we are presented with St Thomas. We often hear him described as doubting Thomas. I do not think this is the case for to me St Thomas is an honest person. His dreams had been shattered and he was having a great deal of difficulty coping with the situation. I believe we need people like St Thomas, for we need to be free to question life. I am a great believer that when we question life we grow and we also create an environment in which Jesus is able to help us.

Many people are of the opinion that they would not make a good witness for Christianity because their life had been a mess and they are still struggling to understand the implications of their faith. The more I think about this, the more I believe that such a person is an ideal witness to Christianity. The

reason is that these people are continuing to persevere, and they are continuing to seek answers. They are being honest, and they are being true to themselves. I believe if we remain true to ourselves then Jesus is able to help us for in our questioning we remain open to the answers that will come our way.

It seems to me that if we want real peace of heart and if we want our lives to be lives of purpose, we need to make the words, "My lord and My God," a reality in our lives. Each day we are invited to make a decision as to whether or not we are going to base our lives on this belief that Jesus is indeed our Lord and our God. If we do this, we also need to trust that we are never alone and that our God is continually expressing his love for us. This will also involve basing our lives totally on the way of life that Jesus has given to us.

BOOKLETS FOR SALE

There are some good reflective booklets on the Sacrament of Penance available for sale in the Piety Store. These would be a welcome addition to households in the parish.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



In celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday, the faithful are called to reflect more personally on the graces won through the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. In this way their hearts may be more fully aware of the mercy of God for them personally and for the sake of the world

Please contact the Parish Office, if you are **unavailable** for your rostered Ministry.



MASS READINGS - YEAR B

THIS SUNDAY:

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35
Psalm: Ps 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24
Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel: John 20:19-31

NEXT SUNDAY:

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Psalm: Ps 4:2, 4, 7, 9
Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5
Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 7th / 8th April 2018

[2nd Sunday of the Month - Even Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Romy Gapud Emmanuel Tabone	Gus Kaster Edsel Paltoo	Noe Adan Mario Picart	Robert Bautista Ferdinand Chin
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Claire Blunt	Lita Picart	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Antonette Elogious	Roseanne Victoria	Allen Brady
SECOND READER	Teresita Cacadac	Belinda Elogious	Rose Rotik	Maurice Villanueva
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Sarah Debrincat	Derica Elogious	Jaden Victoria	Abigail Chin
WELCOMER	Annette Hudson	Claire Blunt Agnes Iligan	Volunteer Required	Jerome Chin
MUSICIANS	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	Couples for Christ	Dingalings
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Second Sunday of the Month				

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 14th / 15th April 2018

[3rd Sunday of the Month - Even Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Stephen Debrincat Edward Yulardhyanto	Charles Hyson John Fernandes	Morie Balisbisan Volunteer Required	Robert Bautista Volunteer Required
COMMENTATOR	Erna Ferrer	Mary Anne Xuereb	Jane Cauchi	Carmelita Liceralde
FIRST READER	Melville Fernandez	Fely Perez	Vinetta Lobo	Therrie Chin
SECOND READER	Edward Yin	Laurinda Atienza	Alicia Cianflone	Donnie Velasco
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Leah Mitchell	Volunteer Required
WELCOMER	Melita DelosReyes	Annette Hudson	Denise Farla Dot Kaster	Peter Maw
MUSICIANS	Hearts	NO Music Mass	St Andrew's Family Choir	Living Word Choir
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Third Sunday of the Month				

LET US PRAY: For those who have become lukewarm and indifferent
 Most Compassionate Jesus, You are Compassion Itself. I bring lukewarm souls into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart. In this fire of Your pure love let these tepid souls, who like corpses, filled You with such deep loathing, be once again set aflame. O Most Compassionate Jesus, exercise the omnipotence of Your mercy and draw them into the very ardour of Your love, and bestow upon them the gift of holy love, for nothing is beyond Your power. Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon lukewarm souls, who are nonetheless enfolded in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. Father of Mercy, I beg You by the bitter Passion of Your Son and by His three-hour agony on the Cross: Let them, too, glorify the abyss of Your mercy. Amen.



First Holy Communion

This weekend a very special event takes place in the life of our parish family when approximately 76 of our young people will make their First Holy Communion. This is a great cause celebration as it is a reminder to us of God's personal love for each one of us, on this weekend these young people have the opportunity to experience this reality as they take the next step in their faith journey.

Holy Communion then is a sign of the love of Jesus for us.

It is also a sign of our love for Jesus.

It should also be a sign of our love for each other.

In communion we come as close as possible to Jesus who is our best friend.

This is why Holy Communion is so special and should be special to us always.

Jesus is saying to us: "I love you and want to be with you always."

It is our opportunity to say to Jesus: "I love you and will show my love for you by meeting you often and by the way I treat all my brothers and sisters in God's family."

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES:

Hannah ADRALES
 Arturo AGUILAR
 Angel-Rose ALAURA
 Jillyza ALDANA
 Ysabella ALFONSO
 Nichelle ANDRADI
 Adia ANIANO
 Jakob ARNALDO
 Jeralin ARNALDO
 Aiden BATTIKHA
 Isaac BAYADA
 Zayne BAYRICH
 Mykaela BEATTIE
 Jairus BERNARDO
 Stiffen BILLEDO
 Daniel BRIFFA
 Tyrone CANAVERAL
 Sebastian CANICULA
 Gabrielle CARDINO
 Isabella CARDINO
 Cyrus CELESTE
 Timothy CHENG
 Levi CRAVEN
 Jasmine CUBILLO
 Amy CULLY
 Keziah DEL ROSARIO

Jahaziel DELA PAZ
 Ebonie EM
 Aidan FELICIANO
 Allan FELIPE
 Julianne FELIPE
 Patrick FELIPE
 Jayden FERGUSON
 Jasmine FOWLER
 Liam GERARDIS
 Keanna GUERRERO
 Rachel HAY
 Sean HEALY
 Amelie HENDERSON-SMITH
 Mikaela HOOPER
 Aurelle HUSADA
 James ILAGAN
 Zyrill ILAGAN
 Robin INFANTE
 Leila KEFU
 Micheal KENNY
 Zachariah LAZARO
 Marcus LIAO
 Jabez LOTERIA
 Lucas LUONG
 Mathis MALONG
 Brody Mc LOUGHLIN

Hope MILLIGAN
 Issabella NARAYAN
 Sean NINTE
 Lucas OCAMPO
 Angelina PATOLO
 Maximus PONDAL
 Saige PRATS
 Andre RAMOS
 Bobby REYES
 Alexis ROMENA
 Enzo ROQUE
 Anastasia RUSSO
 Jayden SAN JOSE
 Olivia SHEN
 Chloe SMITH
 Keylan SMITH
 Luke SMITH
 Ronan SUNNERS
 Ryan TIQUI
 Shonaya VASSALLO
 Giselle VELASCO
 Joel WISEMAN
 Jelena WONG
 Lucas WU

Sunday	8
Divine Mercy Sunday (2nd Sunday of Easter) Counters: Group 6 08:45 FHC Mass 09:30 Sunday School 12:15 FHC Mass	
Monday	9
The Annunciation of the Lord 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	
Tuesday	10
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary	
Wednesday	11
Saint Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Baptism Preparation	
Thursday	12
08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 10:00 Life Ascending Australia Group Meeting - FBC	
Friday	13
Saint Martin I, Pope, Martyr 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:10 Choir Practice HJM	
Saturday	14
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning CFC 16:15 Legion of Mary 19:10 Prayer Meeting HJM	

BAPTISMS IN MARCH 2018

We offer our congratulations and prayers to the families who have celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism in our parish family. We welcome these young children who are now members of our parish family.

Joseph Gordon LOCK

Isalah CANUA

Zailyn GALEA

Amelia Elizabaeth STAPLETON

Nolan Trent DUFFY

Hannah Jennifer McCARTHY

Anniversary of Marriage Blessings

On behalf of the parish community we would like to congratulate those who have celebrated their Wedding anniversaries during the month of March 2018.

Elenea & Manuel Papelera 50 yrs
Tina & Vic Cardenale 45 yrs
Candido & Regina Velasco 43 yrs
David & Ida DeGuzman 40 yrs
Eugenia & Felipe Biala 40 yrs
Grace & Anthony Grima 39 yrs
Patricia & Gener Sapon 7 yrs



MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS FOR APRIL
We will celebrate Anniversaries of Marriage for April on Sunday, April 15 the 8:45am Mass. If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like to be involved in this please contact the parish office with your details. .

We also congratulate those people who went through our RCI A program and became members of our parish family at the Easter Vigil.

Carly TAGLIOLI
Namrata SEQUEIRA
Roldan Alfonso PCUENCA
Alexis Shiela Marie Rojo DIONISIO
Giorgia Maria DAPOSTOL

Notices from the Diocese of Parramatta

Plenary Council 2020

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. All people are invited to reflect on the question: **"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?"**

Find out more at: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Easter Reflections and Prayer: 14 April

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite YOUTH (age 18-35) to join us for a day of Easter Reflections and Prayer on Saturday, 14 April at 2:30pm.

Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP: Sr Paula,
email: vocationscsfn@gmail.com
mob: 0449 656 406

The Permanent Diaconate: 6 May

The discernment program for those who are interested in finding out more about this Vocation will be held at St John 23rd Parish, 160 Perfection Avenue, Stanhope Gardens 2768. Come and learn more about vocations to the Diaconate and have a chat with our team members. We are looking for men aged between 35 to 55 and residing in the Diocese of Parramatta. Our discernment program consists of five sessions, with each session dealing with different aspects of the Diaconate. The meetings will commence at 3.00pm until 6.00pm followed by the Parish Mass and Fellowship.

The 2018 dates on Sundays: 8 July, 9 September, 4 November. For further information visit

www.parracatholic.org/permanent-diaconate or please contact any of the following deacons:

Deacon James – 0425 213 832, Deacon Tan – 0407 270 782, Deacon George – 0408 440 769



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Twitter @parracatholic

HOME VISIT

Would you like a visit from a priest or parishioner?

Name

phone

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND

Do you know someone who would like Holy Communion or a visit?

Name

phone

PLANNED GIVING

Would you like to support our parish?

Name

phone

PLEASE PLACE ON COLLECTION PLATE AND YOU WILL BE CONTACTED