

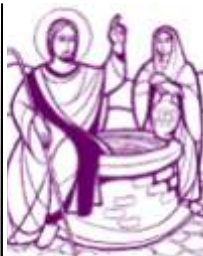


Jesus said 'Come and see'..... John 1:39-41

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.



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Please visit our Parish Website: www.standrewsmarayong.org.au Year A: Vol.48 No.16

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PARISH STAFF:

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PRESBYTERY:

41 Breakfast Rd, Marayong

FR. BYRNE CENTRE:

(Parish Meeting Rooms)
38 Breakfast Rd, Marayong.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

- After weekday & Saturday morning Masses.
- Before Vigil Masses Saturday afternoon 4:00-4:30pm
- Anytime by arrangement.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sunday
each month at 11:45am

Baptismal Preparation:
Second Wednesday of
each month at 7.30pm
in the Fr Byrne Centre.

*Please book for Baptisms
with the Parish Office.*

PIETY STALL:

By asking for an appointment
at the Parish Office.

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: Vigil 5.00pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 8.45am
& 10.30am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

PARISH SCHOOLS:

ST. ANDREW'S PRIMARY

www.standrewpsmarayong.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Yvette McGowen

Phone: 8869 6700

Address: 36 Breakfast Road
Marayong 2148

ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

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Campus -

JUNIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 7-10)

Address: 116 Quakers Road
Marayong 2148

SENIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 11-12)

Address: 50 Breakfast Road
Marayong 2148



Harmony in the wider community is everyone's responsibility —
**so when you're parking your vehicle, please think about
how your actions can affect our neighbours.**
Would you be happy if your neighbours visitors parked across
your driveway and you could not enter or leave your property?
Parking across a driveway in NSW will incur a \$257 fine.



Also on this subject - the driveway into the
Church piazza area should not be blocked by
parked vehicles; this must remain clear to allow
access for emergency vehicles when required.



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 ...

- ♦ ST PATRICK'S DAY - FRIDAY 17TH MARCH
- ♦ MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS FOR MARCH
- ♦ STATIONS OF THE CROSS
- ♦ MASSES FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER
- ♦ UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS

LONGING FOR GOD

Saint Augustine writes in his Confessions, “You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You.” St. Augustine of Hippo in 4th century recognized the restlessness in the human person’s life. This restlessness is the longing for the Divine, the search for living and loving God.

And only God can fulfill and satisfy this restlessness in our hearts.

For the Third Sunday of Lent, our Gospel from Saint John is centred on the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman. Despite the political and social barriers, Jesus entered into a conversation with the Samaritan woman in Jacob’s well. From the usual human need of water, the woman recognized her deeper need for the living water. Her encounter with Jesus Christ helped her to acknowledge her longing for the living God. The woman begins to believe in Jesus that indeed he is the Messiah. She becomes the messenger of the gospel to her Samaritan community and many Samaritans become believers in Jesus because of her testimony.

As human beings and religious believers, we are always longing for the Divine, always searching for God. Through silence and prayer, we know within our hearts that there is certain restlessness in us that only God can fulfill and satisfy despite our human and technological achievements and successes. We still desire and long for Goodness, Truth and Beauty.

I hope and pray that our Lenten journey will help us to recognize our own restlessness and ask Jesus to give us the living water. May our Lenten prayers, devotions and especially the celebration of the Holy Eucharist lead us to personal encounter with Jesus Christ, and in which we can “taste something of eternal life, eternal peace and eternal joy”

..... from Fr Kevin

LITURGY ROSTER FOR HOLY WEEK

In order to facilitate the preparation of a liturgy roster for the events of Holy Week, it would be appreciated if you could let the parish office know of your availability or non-availability during this time. We hope to have a roster presented by the 4th Sunday of Lent.

THIS WEEK’S ROSTER: 12 th March 2023		[2nd Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]		
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR	Romeo Gapud Nayana Menezes-Lobo	Joanel Dela Cruz Candido Velasco	Rudy Fu, Joy Kakodkar	Noe Adan, Peter Maw
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Lewis Manalili	Derica Elogious	Maricor Espinosa
FIRST READER	Myra Estrera	Nila Mangona	Perla Biledo	Maria Carpio
SECOND READER	Mariyam Wijeyaratnam	Julie Nunez	Rose Rotik	Jay Ilagan
PROJECTIONIST	Demaiyrah Desouza, Evelyn Moras		Jeremy Portelli	Clare Manu Chris Manu
ALTAR SERVERS	Aidan & Brianna D'Silva, K Vaz, C Anderiesz, Isabelle & Jasmine Metcalfe		Aradhana Hyson, Janelle Kakodkar	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - 2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH Ministers of Communion roster is still being formulated - apologies for the delay!				
WARDENS	Maurice Apap, Bill Ebejer, Paul Vella, Myles Anderiesz, Charlie Willis, Gerard Autrey	Pines Bonifacio, Spiro Cumbo, Suzanne Daniels, Maurice Perera	Paul Battikha, Michael Portelli	
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert		
MUSIC	Hearts of Jesus & Mary	NO Music Mass	NO Music Mass	Couples For Christ Australia

NEXT WEEK’S ROSTER: 19 th March 2023		[3rd Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]		
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR	Myles Anderiesz, Christine Zammit	Elvie Clark Charles Hyson	Maria Hyson,	Morie Balisbisan, Joanel Dela Cruz
COMMENTATOR	Erna Ferrer	Julie Nunez	Antonette Elogious	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Bernardo Rivera	Sharmali Perera	Revathi Hyson	Socorro Amos
SECOND READER	Mercy Aquino	Agnes Zabala	Delia Crisostomo	Linda Rane
PROJECTIONIST	Abigail Chin, Evelyn Moras, Demmyfiah Desouza		Jeremy Portelli	
ALTAR SERVERS	Aidan & Brianna D'Silva, K Vaz, C Anderiesz, Isabelle & Jasmine Metcalfe		Aradhana Hyson, Janelle Kakodkar	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH Ministers of Communion roster is still being formulated - apologies for the delay!				
WARDENS	Maurice Apap, Bill Ebejer, Paul Vella, Charlie Willis, Gerard Autrey	Pines Bonifacio, Spiro Cumbo, Suzanne Daniels, Maurice Perera	Paul Battikha, Michael Portelli	Aileen Dela Cruz
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert		
MUSIC	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	St Andrew Family Choir	Fresh in Faith Youth Choir

Let's Celebrate!

THE FILIPINO CHAPLAINCY
DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

FEAST OF ST JOSEPH
"St Joseph: The Silent Achiever"

Saturday, 18 March 2023
Church of St Patrick
Mary Queen of the Family Parish
51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown

Solemn High Mass at 10:30 am
Main Celebrant: Rev Fr John Paul Escarlan

Novena Masses for St Joseph
8 to 16 March 2023
Time: 7:30 PM
(except 8 and 15 March to start at 8:00 PM)
Venue: St Michael's Church
58 Orwell St, Blacktown

Marriage Anniversary Blessings for March

We will offer a blessing for those who celebrate marriage anniversaries in March at **all Masses** (including Saturday Vigil) on **Sunday, March 19**

If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like to be involved, please contact the parish office with your details.



LENT

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

Praying and reflecting on the events of the last journey of Jesus before his death is vitally important as part of our journey through the Season of Lent as we reflect upon our relationship with our God and strive to develop that relationship. Parishioners



are encouraged to join us as we celebrate the Mass at 7:00pm and then make this journey through the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm on Friday evening.

Thankyou to all those who have volunteered to lead us in the Stations of the Cross through Lent.

Friday, March 17: St Andrew's Family choir
Friday, March 24: Legion of Mary Praesidium 1

Friday, March 31: Couples for Christ
Good Friday, April 07: Jnr Legion of Mary Praesidium 2

The Parish Office will be closed
On Tuesday 21st of March 2023. The staff are attending a diocesan reflection day. The theme is Lent & Synodality.



MASS READINGS -YEAR A

THIS SUNDAY:

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7
Psalm: Ps 94:1-2. 6-9
Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2. 5-8
Gospel: John 4:5-42

NEXT SUNDAY:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: 1 Sam 16:1. 6-7. 10-13
Psalm: Ps 22
Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel: John 9:1-41

During the week prayers have been requested for.....

Fr Ruben Elago, Rev. Fr Manuel Lipardo, Beatriz Areola, Manuel Bambalan, Marlene Borg, Ronnie Cachia, Joseph & Irene Bouquet, Alicia Cercado, Paul Clemson, Mary Cumbo, Della Delange, Michael Delange, Peter Delange Snr, Edwin Dosado, Joy Jochio, Luigi Matteo Maccarone, Gregory Menezes, Maria Moralde, Therese Motha, Girlie Pantua, Dioscoro (Dodong) Nunez, Mary O'Neill, Lina Tabone, Rogelio A. Pantua, Krisjon Justine Santa Ana, Victor & Maryanne Vella, Aeldred & Riolen Weber, Joseph Zammit, Stella & Felic Zammit, Besterwitch & Hyson Families, Collins & Quinn Families, All Souls in Purgatory.

.....**Please remember in your prayers**

Sunday	12-Mar 3rd Sunday of Lent Counters: Group 10 07:30 Mass 08:45 Mass 08:45 1st Reconciliation Class 3 10:30 Mass
Monday	13-Mar Monday of the 3rd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 19:00 SvDP Meeting
Tuesday	14-Mar Tuesday of the 3rd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 19:00 Legion of Mary
Wednesday	15-Mar Wednesday of the 3rd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Music Practice Lorraine's Group NAPLAN ->
Thursday	16-Mar Thursday of the 3rd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 19:00 RCIA
Friday	17-Mar Saint Patrick, Bishop, Missionary 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 19:00 HJM Core Meeting Music Practice 19:00 Fresh in Faith Youth Choir 19:30 St Andrew's Family Choir
Saturday	18-Mar Saturday of the 3rd week of Lent Commemoration of Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor 09:00 Mass 09:30 First Reconciliation 09:40 Legion of Mary 14:00 Holy Trinity Prayer Community 16:00 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:00 Vigil Mass

Notice
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St Patrick's Day Business Breakfast: 17 March

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Parramatta, are hosting the St Patrick's Day Business Breakfast, an annual event acknowledging faith and nation building and connecting Not-For-Profit organisations with business communities.

The Breakfast will be held on Friday 17 March from 7am to 9am at the Cathedral Hall, with guest speaker Dr Andrew Charlton MP, Federal Member for Parramatta. Tickets are \$100 per person and can be purchased via <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1012636> or by scanning the QR code.



Marriage Preparation Courses in 2023

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare.

Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates for 2023, to book and pay. An online preparation called SmartLoving can also be booked via the website.

For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin- 0403 305 431 or Marisa- 0412 280 017.

Glenbrook Parish Good Friday Music and Meditation: 7 April

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a performance of the music of J.S. Bach and special meditations and reflections on Good Friday, 7 April, from 7.30pm in the parish church. Offering choral and organ music of J.S. Bach together with special readings and meditations, this annual service will feature several of the wonderful chorale settings from the Passions according to St John and St Matthew. Suggested donations for entry are \$15 for adults, \$10 for concessions. Any enquiries, please contact 0421 105 017.

Holy Week & Easter 2023 Mass Times

PALM SUNDAY, April 1st ~ 2nd: *Vigil Mass: 5:00pm;*

Sunday morning Masses: 7:30am, 8:45am & 10:30am.

WEEKDAY MASSES: *Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9:00am;*

No morning Masses for the rest of the week & No Wednesday evening Mass.

Mass of the Chrism at St Patrick's Cathedral: Wednesday, April 5th at 7:30pm

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Thursday, April 6th : 7:00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS on Good Friday, April 7th, 10:00am

CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD: 3:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, April 8th:

Holy Saturday SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 9:00am;

EASTER VIGIL, Saturday, April 8th: 6:00pm.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9th: Masses at 7:30am, 8:45am & 10:30am.

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, though he dies, shall live. Whoever lives and believes in me will never die"
John 11:25-26



Diocese of Parramatta on Social Media

Connect with the Diocese and find out the latest news and events on Social Media:



Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/parracatholic>

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