



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.



5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please visit our Parish Website: www.standrewsmarayong.org.au Year B: Vol.49 No.10

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THE PARRAMATTA WAY OF SAFEGUARDING IS TO...

Act with Justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person; ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount.

"This is what the Lord asks of you: only this, to act justly,
to love tenderly and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8)



PARISH STAFF:

Fr. Kevin Medilo, SM
Fr. Kevin Redmond, SM
Fr. Floyd Gatana, SM
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PARISH OFFICE:

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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9.00am to 4.00pm
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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
Mass: 7.00pm
Thursday: 9.00am
Friday: 9.00am
Saturday: 9.00am

PARISH SCHOOLS:

ST. ANDREW'S PRIMARY

www.standrewspsmarayong.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Yvette McGowen
Phone: 8869 6700
Address: 36 Breakfast Road
Marayong 2148

ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au

College Principal:
Stephen Kennaugh
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

SACRAMENT OF FIRST PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

*The Sacrament of First Penance Program will take place in Term 1
for children in Years 3 & above who have been baptised.*

REGISTRATION FORMS to be collected from the Parish Office now.

REGISTRATION EVENING: Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.00pm in the Church

CLASSES: Sundays 10th March, 17th March and 24th March 2024

[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]

SACRAMENT of First Penance will be celebrated on :

Saturday 6th April (9:30 am) and/or Saturday 13th April (9:30 am) 2024



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FACILITATORS

Current facilitators as well as people interested in becoming facilitators for our Sacramental Programs in 2024 are asked to contact the Parish Office by the end of January.

What is our mission?

The readings of the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time presents various themes that are significant to our Christian life. What I want to focus more on this reflection is about recognizing and understanding Christ' purpose and mission here on earth.

The narrative of Mark's gospel for this Sunday presents to us Christ's teaching and healing. Christ in his teaching and healing reflects his mission here on earth. His mission was to fulfill the will of God to bring people to his Kingdom. God through his love and compassion wants everyone to be with him. God knows every suffering we carry in our lives and because he is a God of love wants to draw all people to himself. Christ coming to the world is to fulfill the will of God.

There are two significant aspects of our Christian faith Christ is teaching us. The aspect of active ministry and the aspect of prayer. In the Gospel Mark records an account where Christ is available to go off to a quiet place to pray. Despite all of the journeys Christ did going from place-to-place preaching and teaching he always had time for prayer. Such example is an invitation for us Christian to reflect on these two aspects. How do we live them out in our daily lives?

As mentioned above Christ understood his purpose and mission. The challenging question for us to reflect on is "what is our mission"? As Christians we are invited to reflect on this question on a personal level. We are now part of the Church of God. How do we contribute to the life of the Church in our time today? Like Christ did, we are challenged to follow in the footsteps of Christ to reach out to others who need God's love and mercy. We are encouraged to look out for the needy and give them our help and support. Christ invites us to continue his mission in our time. However, we can only come to fully understand the mission of God in our time today if we like Christ develop an attitude of a deeper prayer life in our personal life. Christ wants us and calls us to a deeper relationship with his Father so we can understand the will of God in our lives and in the life of the Church in our time.

Let us pray for one another so that we grow together in faith as a community and to develop the missionary spirit in our lives to reach out in preaching Christ good news and to extend our helping hands to the needy in our communities.

.....from Fr Floyd

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER:		3 rd & 4 th February 2024		[1st Sunday of the Month]	
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am	
MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR	Myles Anderiesz Normie Santos	Ruben Bables, John Fernandes	Olan Cruise Joy Kakodkar	Ferdi Chin Jacob Chin	
COMMENTATOR	Linda Bravo	Donna Ison	Vinetta Lobo	Therrie Chin	
FIRST READER	Bernardo Rivera	Anthony Culbert		Maricor Espinosa	
SECOND READER	Edward Yin	Fely Perez	Nerissa Toong	Peter Maw	
PROJECTIONIST	Victoria Bravo	Claire Blunt	Jeremy Portelli Keith Vaz	Abigail Chin	
ALTAR SERVERS	Aidan & Brianna D'Silva, K Vaz, C Anderiesz, Isabelle & Jasmine Metcalfe		Janelle Kakodkar	Jerome & Amber Chin Bradley D'Cruz	
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Mirza Alata, Myra Estrera, Christine Zammit, Mary Ann Zammit	Suzanne Daniels, Geraldine Pereira, Maurice Perera	Delia Crisostom, Joshua Daly, Rose Rotik, Derica Elogious, Braedon Monteiro	Maria Carpio, Virginia Salom, Merlie & Honorio Domingo, Estrellita Viola, Linda Ranee	
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogronniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert			
MUSIC	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	NO Music Mass	Mafi Family Choir	

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER:		10 th & 11 th February 2024		[2nd Sunday of the Month]	
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am	
MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR	Nayana Menezes Lobo Myles Anderiesz	Aileen Dela Cruz, Joel Dela Cruz	Joy Kakodkar, Derica Elogious	?	
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Normie Santos	Antonette Elogious	Maricor Espinosa	
FIRST READER	Mercy Aquino	Nlla Mangona	Joshua Daly	Socorro Amos	
SECOND READER	Doris Barrios	Julie Nunez	Rose Rotik	Lita Picart	
PROJECTIONIST	Demaiyah 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	Bradley D'Cruz	
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Monica Desira, Anne-Marie Moriarty, Ralph Vaz, Maria Webb	Maryse Pereira, Anthony Culbert, Agnes Zabala	Salve Gatchalian, Julieta Pareme, Sam Cassar, Connie Cassar, Braedon Moneteiro	Peter Maw, Anna Amos, Brenda Payne, Estrellita Viola, Virginia Salom, Luke Binny	
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogronniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert			
MUSIC	Hearts of Jesus & Mary	NO Music Mass	Praise and Glory	Couples For Christ Australia	



PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Youth Coordinators: — Anna Amos: 0429 530 755 — Zain Chaudry: 0470 321 967
E: youthworksadmin@gmail.com — IG / FB @youthworksmarayong

SAYA SQUARE

Catechesis x Bible study x Discussion

1st Sundays - 6:30 pm @ the FBC

Contact SAYA Leaders via mobile or Instagram
Bradley - 0419 493 899 or @bradleypost
Derica - 0411 436 119 or @derica_jacqueline
@youthworksarayong

Ages 18 to 35

SAYA; the community for the Young Adults of St Andrews

SAYA SOCIAL

Social events
3rd Friday, Saturday or Sunday

The **Parish Finance Committee meeting** is on **Thursday 8th February** at **6:00 PM** in **FBC**.

CATECHISTS - THE MINISTRY OF SHARING OUR FAITH

One of the essential missions of the Catholic community is to provide the education of our faith. In this regard, the work of our catechists, who provide faith education for the children in our local state schools, is of vital importance.

There will be a **meeting of catechists** at **10:00am** on **Thursday, February 8** in the Fr Byrne centre, any people interested in joining this ministry are invited to attend to learn more.

THE SEASON OF LENT – OUR PERSONAL JOURNEY TO EASTER

Ash Wednesday occurs next week, **February 14**. **Masses** will be at **7:00am, 9:00am** and **7:00pm**. Between then and Easter is that special time each year when we focus on our faith journey leading up to Easter when we recommit to our faith by the renewal of our baptismal promises.

We need volunteers from parish groups to lead the **Stations of the Cross** on Fridays of Lent after the 7:00pm Mass.



SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities for face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown during February 2024.

Monday 5 February (9.30am – 2.30pm) – Modules 1-3:

For those new to Parish Ministry or for those who have not yet completed the initial Cycle 1 training, or

Monday 12 February (10am – 1.30pm) – Modules 4-5:

Renewal Safeguarding Training is for those in Parish Ministry who commenced Cycle 1 Training two years ago.

Please register for this training by emailing Maria Kervin at: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

WWCC's are only valid for five years. Anyone with an expired WWCC cannot continue to volunteer in a child-related ministry of the parish. It is important that your current WWCC number is renewed rather than applying for a new WWCC. All parish volunteers are responsible for renewing their WWCC before the date it expires and must provide the parish office with evidence of the renewal before the expiry date. For Applications and renewals: <https://ocg.nsw.gov.au>



MASS READINGS -YEAR B

THIS SUNDAY:

NEXT SUNDAY:

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Job 7:1-4. 6-7

Psalm: Ps 146:1-6

Second Reading: Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

NEXT SUNDAY:

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Lev 13:1-2. 44-46

Psalm: Ps 31:1-2. 5. 11

Second Reading: 1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

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

Fr Kevin Bates SM, Martha Aquino, Joseph & Irene Bouquet, Kristian Cala, Paul Clemson, Mary Cumbo, Fabiana Dela Cruz, Peter Eisenhuth, Frank Falzon, John Falzon, Marie Falzon, Nathan Ervin Gopiao, Anthony Grima, Narciso Ignacio, Carmen Indolos, Julieta L Labuca, Damiana Limpot, Ricardo Lumanta, Magdalena Maibulos, Carmel McLoughlin, Alberto Mibulos, Ernesto Mibulos, Federico Mibulos Jr, Federico B Mibulos. Sr, Anania M Nabuya, Melchora Bana Nola, Ermelinda Paz Viana, Pete (Pedro) Reyes, Joseph Rocha, Anastacia Rosario, Alvin Sebastian, Esperanza Tenorio Tanael, Aeldred & Riolen Weber, Stella & Felic Zammit, Besterwitch & Hyson Families, Collins & Quinn Families, McCabe & Fitzgibbon Families, All Souls in Purgatory.***Please remember in your prayers***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28-Jan 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 4 07:30 Mass 08:45 Mass 09:30 Choir Practice CFCA 10:30 Mass	29-Jan Monday of week 4 in Ordinary Time 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary <i>Registrations Open - Reconciliation</i>	30-Jan Tuesday of week 4 in Ordinary Time 09:00 Mass 10:00 Mass Teachers / SREs 19:00 Legion of Mary <i>Staff Development Day</i>	31-Jan Saint John Bosco, Priest 09:00 Mass <i>no evening Mass</i> 18:00 SJG CRISP program 19:30 Music Committee Meeting <i>Staff Development Day</i>	1-Feb Thursday of week 4 in Ordinary Time 09:00 Mass 19:30 Music Practice Lorraine's Group <i>First day students return</i>	2-Feb The Presentation of the Lord First Friday 09:00 Mass 09:30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:30 Music Practice Fresh in Faith Youth Choir 19:00 Mass 20:00 Church Cleaning HJM	3-Feb Saturday of week 4 in Ordinary Time, Saint Ansgar (Oscar), Bishop, Saint Blaise, Bishop, Martyr, Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 08:00 Youthworks 09:00 Mass 09:30 Parish Reconciliation 09:40 Legion of Mary 10:00 HJM 14:00 Holy Trinity Prayer Community 16:00 Music Practice Worship Hymn 16:00 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:00 Vigil Mass
4-Feb 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 5 07:30 Mass 08:45 Mass 10:30 Mass 17:30 Youthworks Young Adults	5-Feb Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary <i>Safeguarding C1 M1,2&3 Bede Heather Centre</i>	6-Feb Saints Paul Miki and his Companions, Martyrs 09:00 Mass 18:00 SJG CRISP program 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:30 Combined Music Practice for Ash Wednesday	7-Feb Wednesday of week 5 in Ordinary Time 09:00 Mass 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Music Practice Praise & Glory	8-Feb Thursday of week 5 in Ordinary Time Saint Jerome Emilian, Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin 09:00 Mass 10:00 Catechist Meeting 18:00 Finance Committee Meeting	9-Feb Friday of week 5 in Ordinary Time 09:15 Mass SAP Opening 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 19:00 Choir Practice HJM	10-Feb Saint Scholastica, Virgin 7:00 Church Cleaning CFC 09:00 Mass 09:40 Legion of Mary 15:00 Music Practice Childrens Choir 16:00 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:00 Vigil Mass 18:30 Prayer Meeting HJM 19:00 Music Practice Fresh in Faith Youth Choir
11-Feb 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 6 07:30 Mass 08:45 Mass 09:30 Choir Practice CFCA 10:30 Mass	12-Feb Monday of week 6 in Ordinary Time 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 18:00 SJG CRISP program 19:00 SVdP Meeting <i>Safeguarding C2 M4&5 Bede Heather Centre</i>	13-Feb Tuesday of week 6 in Ordinary Time 09:00 Mass 18:00 SJG CRISP program 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:00 Registration Evening First Reconciliation	14-Feb Ash Wednesday 07:00 Mass 09:00 Mass 19:00 Mass 19:30 Baptism Preparation	15-Feb Thursday after Ash Wednesday 09:00 Mass 18:00 SRE ONGOING COMPULSORY TRAINING 19:30 Music Practice Lorraine's Group	16-Feb Friday after Ash Wednesday 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 19:00 Music Practice Fresh in Faith Youth Choir 19:00 Mass & Stations of the Cross	17-Feb Saturday after Ash Wednesday Commemoration of The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order 09:00 Mass 09:40 Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning LoM P2 14:00 Holy Trinity Prayer Community 16:00 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:00 Vigil Mass
18-Feb 1st Sunday of Lent Counters: Group 7 Marriage Blessing - All Masses 07:30 Mass 08:45 Mass 10:30 Mass 11:45 Baptism	19-Feb Monday of the 1st week of Lent 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 19:00 Sacramental Facilitators Meeting - First Reconciliation	20-Feb Tuesday of the 1st week of Lent 09:00 Mass 18:00 SJG CRISP program 19:00 SRE ONGOING COMPULSORY TRAINING 19:00 Legion of Mary	21-Feb Wednesday of the 1st week of Lent Commemoration of Saint Peter Damian, Bishoo, Doctor 09:00 Mass 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Music Practice CFCA	22-Feb Saint Peter's Chair 09:00 Mass 14:00 Church Cleaning Group 4 19:00 Social Justice group meeting 19:00 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	23-Feb Friday of the 1st week of Lent Commemoration of Saint Polycaro, Bishoo, Martvr 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 16:00 Youthworks 18:00 Adoration - Youth 19:00 Mass & Stations of the Cross 19:00 Choir Practice HJM	24-Feb Saturday of the 1st week of Lent 09:00 Mass for the Sick 09:40 Legion of Mary 16:00 Music Practice Worship Hymn 16:00 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:00 Vigil Mass 18:30 Prayer Meeting HJM
25-Feb 2nd Sunday of Lent Counters: Group 8 07:30 Mass 08:45 Mass 09:30 Choir Practice CFCA 10:30 Mass 18:00 SAYWAT	26-Feb Monday of the 2nd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 19:00 SVdP Meeting	27-Feb Tuesday of the 2nd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 19:00 Legion of Mary	28-Feb Wednesday of the 2nd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Music Practice Lorraine's Group	29-Feb Thursday of the 2nd week of Lent 09:00 Mass	1-Mar Friday of the 2nd week of Lent First Friday 09:00 Mass 09:30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:30 Music Practice Fresh in Faith Youth Choir 19:00 Mass & Stations of the Cross 20:00 Church Cleaning HJM	2-Mar Saturday of the 2nd week of Lent 09:00 Mass 09:30 Parish Reconciliation 09:40 Legion of Mary 14:00 Holy Trinity Prayer Community 16:00 Jnr Legion of Mary 17:00 Vigil Mass



Lent and Easter 2024 at St Andrew Parish Marayong

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ASH WEDNESDAY

14 February 2024

Masses at 7:00am, 9:00am & 7:00pm

MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday at 7pm

February 16, 23

March 01, 08, 15 & 22

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

After Weekday Masses or by appointment

March 02 – Saturday, 9:30am

March 23 - Saturday, 9:30am

March 29 - Good Friday, 11:00am

March 30 - Holy Saturday, 9:00am



"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."
John 14:16

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

March 23 - Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:00pm

March 24 - Palm Sunday

Masses at 7:30, 8:45 & 10:30am

March 25 – Monday, 9:00am Mass

March 26 – Tuesday, 9:00am Mass

March 27 – Wednesday, 9:00am Mass

7:30pm CHRISM Mass

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

March 28 – Thursday, 7:00pm - Mass of the
Lord's Supper

March 29 - Good Friday

10:00am - Stations of the Cross

11:00am - Confession

3:00pm - Celebration of the
Lord's Passion

March 30 - Holy Saturday

9:00am - Confession

7:30pm - Easter Vigil Mass

March 31 - Easter Sunday Masses

7:30, 8:45 & 10:30am

Sacramental Program Dates for 2024

SACRAMENT OF FIRST PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

The Sacrament of First Penance Program will take place in Term 1 for children in Years 3 & above who have been baptised.

**Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office
from Monday 29th January 2024**

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office
on Sundays 4th February and 11th February 2024 between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.00pm in the Church

Classes:

Sundays 10th March, 17th March and 24th March 2024

[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]



Sacrament of First Penance will be celebrated on :

Saturday 6th April (9:30 am) and/or Saturday 13th April (9:30 am) 2024

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

This Program will commence in Term 2 for children in Years 3 and above who have received the Sacrament of Penance.

Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office starting
Monday 29th April 2024

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office
on Sunday 5th May and Sunday 12th May 2024 between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 14th May 2024 at 7.00pm in the Church



Classes: Sunday 26th May & Sunday 9th June 2024

[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]

Sacrament of First Holy Communion:

**Saturday 22nd June (5pm) , Sunday 23rd June (8:45am)
Saturday 29th June (5pm) and Sunday 30th June (8:45 am)**

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This Program will commence in Term 3 for children in Years 5 & above who have made their First Holy Communion.

Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office
from Monday 22nd July 2024

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office
on Sunday 27th July and Sunday 3rd August 2024 between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 6th August at 7.00 pm in the Church

Classes: Sunday 18th August & Sunday 25th August 2024

[Classes begin with 8.45 am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]

Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony: (Dates now confirmed)

Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th September 2024 at 7 pm

