



# 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 (or of Divine Mercy)

Please visit our Parish Website: [www.standrewsmarayong.org.au](http://www.standrewsmarayong.org.au) Year B: Vol.49 No.19

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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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Monday to Friday  
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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 & Novena: 7.00pm*  
Thursday: 9.00am  
Friday: 9.00am  
Saturday: 9.00am

#### PARISH SCHOOLS:

##### **ST. ANDREW'S PRIMARY**

[www.standrewspsmarayong.catholic.edu.au](http://www.standrewspsmarayong.catholic.edu.au)  
Principal: Yvette McGowen  
Phone: 8869 6700  
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Marayong 2148

##### **ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE**

[www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au](http://www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au)  
College Principal:  
Stephen Kennaugh  
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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

## Expression of Gratitude

Our parish leadership team is deeply grateful to our parish leaders and volunteers who gave generously their time, talents and financial resources so that we can have a more prayerful and meaningful celebration of Lent and Holy Week. Thank you for your kind help with the liturgy roster, church liturgical decorations, music and cleaning. Indeed, "we are an active and welcoming Catholic community... His love is expressed through each one of us by prayer, liturgy and reaching out in service to one another."

## Thank You for the Support

A Big Thank You to our parish community and primary students for your generous support for the poor and marginalized communities. We have received the following donations: Project Compassion - \$13,130; Good Friday collection for Holy Land- \$3,700. Your generosity and prayers are clear examples of Christian Compassion in Action.

\*\*\*\*\* **Reminder** \*\*\*\*\*

**Daylight Saving** ends this Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> April Clocks go *back* one hour.



## As the Father sent me, so am I sending you

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter which is also Divine Mercy Sunday. In the Gospel of John, we hear the story of Jesus appearing to his disciples in the closed room. The disciples lived with fear, locking themselves in the room.

Fear is an unpleasant emotion caused by awareness of danger. When fear enters our life, we close in on ourselves and resist opening ourselves to others and the world. Fear does not allow us to be free. Jesus was aware of the fear of the disciples, so he must break that fear by appearing to them and breathed the Holy Spirit on them.

Let us call in to mind that Jesus came back and stood amongst the very people who followed him. Also, they were the very people who denied and abandoned Jesus during his arrest. When Jesus appeared to them, he showed them his wounds. This signifies that through the wounds of Jesus we are being forgiven. Through the wounds of Jesus, the world is transformed through God's Divine Mercy.

Jesus then gifted the Holy Spirit to the disciples and sent them for mission. The mission entrusted to the disciples is to go the ends of the world to proclaim the joy of the resurrection of Jesus and to preach about the Mercy of God. Jesus encouraged them to go out and preach about the forgiveness of God. It is through the Divine Mercy of God that Jesus must die and rise from the dead to draw people to God.

The message for us as Christians of today is to experience the Mercy of God in our lives and be able to share God's mercy with others. We are invited to forgive each other and to love one another. It is through forgiveness that relationships are restored, and peace is experienced.

..... from Fr Floyd

6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2024		LITURGY ROSTER			[1st Sunday of the Month]
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am	
<b>MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR</b>	Myles Anderiesz Romeo Gapud	Ruben Bables	Olan Cruise Joy Kakodkar	Jacob Chin Ferdie Chin (B)	
<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	Linda Bravo	Donna Ison	Vinetta Lobo	Therrie Chin	
<b>FIRST READER</b>	Bernardo Rivera	Elizabeth Abbey	Christina Monteiro	Maricor Espinosa	
<b>SECOND READER</b>	Mariyam Wijeyaratnam	Nila Mangona	Maria Hyson	Joyce Vincent	
<b>PROJECTIONIST</b>	Victoria Bravo	Claire Blunt	Jeremy Portelli Keith Vaz	Abigail Chin	
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Aidan & Brianna D'Silva, K Vaz, C Anderiesz, Isabelle & Jasmine Metcalfe		Janelle Kakodkar	Jerome & Amber Chin Bradley D'Cruz	
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Myra Estrera, Nenetie Gapud, Steiner Desouza, Maria Webb	Agnes Zabala, Maurice Perera, Maryse Pereira	Joshua Daly, Rose Rotik, Derica Elogious, Braedon Monteiro, Estrellita Viola	Maria Carpio, Peter Maw Merlie & Honorio Domingo, Anna Amos, Linda Ranees.	
<b>USHERS/ WELCOMERS</b>	Henryka Ogrodniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert			
<b>MUSIC</b>	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	Worship Hymn	Mafi Family Choir	

13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024		LITURGY ROSTER			[2nd Sunday of the Month]
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am	
<b>MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR</b>	Nayana Menezes Lobo Myles Anderiesz	Aileen Dela Cruz Joanel Dela Cruz	Derica Elogious Joy Kakodkar	? ?	
<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	Nenetie Gapud	Donna Ison	Maria Hyson	Maricor Espinosa	
<b>FIRST READER</b>	Mirza Alata	Anthony Culbert	Joshua Daly	Peter Maw	
<b>SECOND READER</b>	Mercy Aquino	Luz Tiqui	Nerissa Toong	Linda Ranees	
<b>PROJECTIONIST</b>	Demaiyrah Desouza, Evelyn Moras		Jeremy Portelli	Clare Manu, Chris Manu	
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Aidan & Brianna D'Silva, K Vaz, C Anderiesz, Isabelle & Jasmine Metcalfe		Aradhana Hyson, Janelle Kakodkar	Bradley D'Cruz	
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Ralph Vaz, Monica Desira, Honorio & Merlie Domingo.	Geradine Pereira, Suzanne Daniels, Julie Nunez	Braedon Monteiro, Julieta Pareme, Salve Gatchalian, Sam Cassar, Connie Cassar	Luke Binny, Mario Picart, Brenda Payne, Socorro Amos, Virginia Salom, Maria Carpio	
<b>USHERS/ WELCOMERS</b>	Henryka Ogrodniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert			
<b>MUSIC</b>	Hearts of Jesus & Mary	NO Music Mass	Praise and Glory	Couples For Christ Australia	



## THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY.

Day 8 **Saturday 6th April 2024** after the **5:00pm** Vigil Mass.

**PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME!**

Day 9 **Sunday 7th April 2024** (after the 8:45am Mass)

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.



## Prayer for Vocations

Almighty Father

You have created for us some definite purpose.  
Grant us the grace to know the path  
You have planned for us in this life,  
and to respond with a generous "Yes."

Make our Diocese, parishes, homes, and hearts  
fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations.  
May our young people respond to Your call  
with courage and zeal.

Stir among our men a desire and the strength  
to be good and holy priests.

Bless us with consecrated religious and those  
called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and  
faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign  
of Christ's love for His church.

We commend our prayer for vocations  
to You, Father, through the intercession of  
Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.



### 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

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

Gerard Bruneau, Jose "Peping" Cabral Jr,  
Mariano Caisipangkahan Jr., Judith Carroll,  
Paul Clemson, John Connor, Mary Cumbo,  
Guillerma Ferrer, Virgilio Gabriela, Robert Galea,  
Anthony Grima, Narciso Ignacio, Gregory Menezes,  
Corazon Salvador, Librada Paule Macabulos,  
Reolito Lagman Macabulos SR, Ken Peachy,  
Marilyn Macabulos Nalapo, Avito Sto Tomas,  
Aeldred & Riolen Weber, Estrella O. White,  
Stella & Felic Zammit, Besterwitch & Hyson Families,  
Collins & Quinn Families, McCabe & Fitzgibbon Families,  
All Souls in Purgatory..**Please remember in your prayers**

### Sunday

7-Apr

Daylight Saving ends  
**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
(2nd Sunday of Easter)  
Counters: Group 7

**07:30** Mass  
**08:45** Mass  
**10:30** Mass  
**11:45** Baptism  
**15:00** Choir Practice CFCA  
**17:30** Youthworks **SAYA**

### Monday

8-Apr

The Annunciation of the Lord  
**09:00** Mass  
**15:30** Jnr Legion of Mary  
**19:00** SVdP Meeting

### Tuesday

9-Apr

Tuesday of the  
2nd week of Eastertide  
**09:00** Mass  
**10:30** Funeral Estrella White  
**19:00** Legion of Mary  
**19:00** Music Practice CFCA  
**19:45** Dance Practice CFCA

### Wednesday

10-Apr

Wednesday of the  
2nd week of Eastertide  
**09:00** Mass  
**19:00** Novena & Mass  
**19:30** Baptism Preparation  
**19:30** Music Practice  
Praise & Glory

### Thursday

11-Apr

Saint Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr  
**09:00** Mass  
**19:30** Music Committee Meeting

### Friday

12-Apr

Friday of the  
2nd week of Eastertide  
**09:00** Mass  
**15:30** Jnr Legion of Mary  
**17:00** Music Practice  
Fresh in Faith Youth Choir  
**19:00** Choir Practice HJM  
*Last day of Term 1*

### Saturday

13-Apr

Saturday of the  
2nd week of Eastertide  
Saint Martin I, Pope, Martyr  
**7:00** Church Cleaning CFC  
**09:00** Mass  
**09:30** FIRST Reconciliation  
Ceremony  
**09:40** Legion of Mary  
**15:00** Music Practice  
Childrens Choir  
**16:00** Jnr Legion of Mary  
**17:00** Vigil Mass  
**18:00** Prayer Meeting HJM





## PARISH YOUTH GROUP

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

**SAYA Square (Young Adults) Ages 18-35"**

**Sunday, April 7th, 5:30 pm** Father Byrne Centre

Topic: **The Paschal Lamb**

## 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.

### CATECHISTS COMMISSIONING MASS

There will be a commissioning Mass for all Marayong SRE's on **Sunday 14th April at 10.30am.**

Any parishioners interested in joining this ministry are invited to speak with one of the Priests or staff in the parish office to learn more.

## MUSIC MINISTRIES Committee Meeting

Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30pm in the Fr Byrne Centre

All involved in Music are asked to attend.

Any newcomers interested in being involved are also welcome.



## 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)**

**The Carpark will be closed around the FBC**

On Friday 19th April 2024 until ? (TBA) for repairs.

## The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth

are inviting parishioners to join them for a Holy Family Association & Friends gathering.

**Date:** Saturday, 13 April 2024

**Venue:** Queen of Poland Convent, Meeting Room, 116-132 Quakers Road, Marayong

**09.30 am:** Arrival and Morning Tea

**10.30 am:** Fiat Voluntas Tua. Human - God's Work

Speaker: – Peter Nathan

**12.00 pm** Eucharist, followed by Lunch

RSVP by 9/4/2024 and for more information – Sr. Rita Apura, CSFN

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