



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.



16th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please visit our Parish Website: www.standrewsmarayong.org.au Year C: Vol.50 No.34

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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 Redmond sm,
Fr. Floyd Gatana sm,
Fr. Lauro Arcede sm.
Maria Hyson
(Sacramental Coordinator)
Merlinda (Merly) Generalao,
Michelle Sultana &
Joe Clemson
(Office staff)

PARISH OFFICE:

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40 Breakfast Rd, Marayong 2148
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Email Address:
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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9.00am to 4.00pm
after hours 9671 5793

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.standrewspmarayong.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 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 21st July 2025**

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office on Sunday 27th July
and Sunday 3rd August 2025 between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 5th August at 7.00 pm in the Church

Classes:

Sunday 17th August & Sunday 24th August 2025

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

Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony:

Wednesdays 3rd & 10th September 2025 at 7 pm



Hospitality of God

The Gospel of the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time presents a story familiar to us—the story of Martha and Mary welcoming Jesus into their home. The story itself is rich in meaning, and many scholars have interpreted it in various ways, depending on the context and the message it portrays.

Martha's activity portrays traditional women's work in the kitchen. Food and preparation are a normal way of providing hospitality to any visitor. Yet, her actions are seen as not favourable to the context of the story. She represents the worry and distractions of worldly matters.

On the other hand, Mary is favoured to have chosen the better part. What, then, is the underlying message Luke wants to bring to us? In the Gospel, we have the hospitality “exchange” that is a feature of Luke. Jesus receives hospitality from the sisters but has himself a deeper hospitality to provide to them: the hospitality of his Word, “the better portion,” which Mary has recognised and chosen to take.

For Luke, the grasp of the Word of God can be choked by the cares and worries of life. What matters in this story is the hospitality the Lord is offering. That is the Word of God. We can only be nourished by the Word of God if we have time to sit down next to Jesus and be fed by the Word of God.

Who am I in the story? Am I Martha, who worries about many things in this life? Or am I Mary, who desires to sit next to Jesus and be nourished by the Word of God?

..... from Fr Floyd Gatana SM

PRAYER with the Marist Fathers Community

As published previously, being members of the Marist Fathers religious order, Fr. Floyd, Fr. Lauro, and I pray together daily. We would like to share this experience with the parish community.

Beginning August there will be a change to the gathering around the Saturday Vigil Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for a period of Adoration from around 4:00pm to 4:45pm, (there will be no Benediction at the conclusion). After the Vigil Mass at around 6:00pm we will conclude with Evening Prayer from the Divine Office.

The Marist community will continue to gather every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the church to pray Evening Prayer, followed by the Novena Mass at 7:00pm. All are welcome to join. Instructions will be provided.

19th & 20th July 2025		LITURGY ROSTER			[3rd Sunday of the Month]
MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am	
MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR	Romeo Gapud, Bernardo Rivera	Elvie Clark John Blackford	Mario Picart Gari De Guman	Mauricio Balisbisan (B)	
COMMENTATOR	Melvina Vaz	Julie Nunez	Donna Ison	YouthWorks	
FIRST READER	Mercy Aquino	Luz Tiqui	Isabella Metcalfe	YouthWorks	
SECOND READER	Therrie Chin	Sharmali Perera	Delia Cristostomo	YouthWorks	
PROJECTIONIST	Demmfyrah Desouza, Evelyn Moras		Jeremy Portelli	Louisa Velasco	
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Theodora D'Lima, Myles Anderiesz, Mariyam Wijeyaratnam, Nenette Gapud	Agnes Zabala, Anthony Culbert, Maurice Perera	Rose Rotik, Henrietta D'Sa, Estrellita Viola, Maryanee Parson Josephine Daly	Aida Jamolin, Brenda Payne Lita Picart, Mario Picart, Virginia Salom, Maricor Espinosa	
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert		Aileen Dela Cruz	
MUSIC	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	St Andrew's Family Choir	Fresh in Faith Youth Choir	

26th & 27th July 2025		LITURGY ROSTER			[4th Sunday of the Month]
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am	
MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR	Myles Anderiesz Kartiko Effendy	Aileen Dela Cruz Joanel Dela Cruz	Joy Kakodkar Maria Hyson	Noe Adan Ding Mojica	
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Donna Ison	Josephine Daly	Lita Picart	
FIRST READER	Mariyam Wijeyaratnam	Elvie Clark	Martin Zammit	Socorro Amos	
SECOND READER	Theodora D'Lima	Linda Dessa	Lydia Villamarin	Linda Rane	
PROJECTIONIST			Brianna Monteiro	Mauricio Balisbisan (B)	
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Caitlin Dela Cruz, Dolette Enriquez, Christine Zammit, Mary-Ann Zammit.	Geraldine Pereira, Julie Nunez, Suzanne Daniels,	Rose Rotik, Estrellita Viola, Joshua Daly, Rittarina Reay, Lorraine D'Cruz	Anna Amos, Brenda Payne, Lita Picart, Mario Picart, Virginia Salom, Annette Morales	
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek, Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt, Anthony Culbert			
MUSIC	Hearts of Jesus & Mary	NO Music Mass	Worship Hymn	Couples For Christ Australia	



Bishop Vincent Presents:

Mauricio Lopez Oropeza

A conversation with one of Latin America's most dynamic Catholic lay leaders.

Mauricio Lopez Oropeza's 39 years experience in the Amazon Synod and in the Vatican will shape his talk which encompasses ecology, Indigenous rights, migration and living out the vision of synodality today with our new Pope, Leo XIV. Join us at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta on 23 July at 6pm or watch the livestream for free.

Secure your spot and be inspired!

Bookings essential - Register now:

parracatholic.org/lopez

LITURGICAL MINISTRY COURSE SEPTEMBER 2025



The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in September 2025 in Blacktown. This free formation is open to anyone in the diocese interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Ministers of Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. To enrol and for more information, please contact the Parish Office.

Registrations close 19 August, 2025 but spaces are limited so enrol now to avoid disappointment.

Course participants along with existing liturgical ministers are reminded they are required to complete mandatory safeguarding training. Additionally, all Ministers at the Altar and Acolytes should have a current Working with Children check that has been verified by the Diocese of Parramatta.

Adult Confirmation 2025: 23 & 26 August

The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates (16+) interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. The catechesis day will be on Saturday 23 August from 9.30am – 2.00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown and the Confirmation will be on the evening of Tuesday 26 August at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

For more information and to enrol, please contact the Office for Worship on ofw@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795 before Monday 4 August.

HEALING MASS WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Healing Mass with Eucharistic Adoration: On Tuesday the 29th July 2025 at 6.30pm at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church, Quakers Hill being celebrated by Fr Michael Payyapilly VC. All are welcome to attend.

For more information, please contact Clary on 0434099088.



MASS READINGS -YEAR C

THIS SUNDAY:

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10

Psalm: Ps 14:2-5

Second Reading: Col 1:24-28

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

NEXT SUNDAY:

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm: Ps 137:1-3. 6-8

Second Reading: Col 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

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

Fausto & Marcelina Afuang, Cipriana Alata, Julia Bonifacio, Felix Buen, Roberto Castillejo, Paul Clemson, Mary Cumbo, Peter Dawson, Lorna Perez De Leon, Anna Rose Delillchar, Cynthia Delillchar, Gordon Dias, Anh Minh Doan, Aloysius Elias, Leslie Elias, Salud Estrera, John Falzon, Marie Falzon, Francesca Freitas, Marlene Freitas, Emma Gacusana, Gerard Go, Jose Gonzales, Teresita Gonzales, Anthony Grima, Rommel Valentino Hapin, Alex Kels, Arnel Kels, Maria Carmen Kitney, Roger Manché, Marvin Monzon, Wilfredo Nemenzo Sr, Cesar Morales Niguidula, Mr James & Mrs Mary Rose Parsons, Francisca V. Pastoral, Aurea Alcantara Paz, Anna Perera, Maria Perez, Vernon Rozario, Rodrigo Rupac, Jose Santos, Arturo Sapon, Zenaida Sapon, Abelardo Trinidad, Minda Trinidad, Danilo Tuazon, Dennis Viray, Fely Vista, Therese Wanigaratne, Aeldred & Riolen Weber, Stella & Felic Zammit, De Mesa Family, Collins & Quinn Families, McCabe & Fitzgibbon Families, All Souls in Purgatory,**Please remember in your prayers**

Sunday

20-Jul

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Marriage Blessing - All Masses

Counters: Group 3

07:30 Mass

08:45 Mass

10:30 Mass

11:45 Baptism

Monday

21-Jul

Monday of week 16

in Ordinary Time

or Saint Laurence of Brindisi,

Priest, Doctor

09:00 Mass

15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary

Registrations Open - Confirmation

tion

School recommences

staff development

Tuesday

22-Jul

Saint Mary Magdalen

09:00 Mass SAP yr6

19:00 Legion of Mary

Wednesday

23-Jul

Wednesday of week 16

in Ordinary Time

St Bridget of Sweden, Religious

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09:00 Mass

19:00 Novena & Mass

19:00 Music Practice CFC

Thursday

24-Jul

Thursday of week 16

in Ordinary Time,

or Saint Charbel Makhlof, Priest

09:00 Mass

Church Cleaning Group 4

19:00 Social Justice group

meeting

Friday

25-Jul

Saint James, Apostle

09:00 Mass

15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary

18:00 Adoration - Youth

20:00 Choir Practice HJM

Saturday

26-Jul

Saint Joachim and Saint Anne,

parents of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

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



PARISH YOUTH GROUP Youth Coordinators:

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

July 19 - SAYWAT - 6pm at the FBC
July 20 - YOUTH MASS - 10:30am
July 25 - ADORATION - 6pm in the CHURCH

August 2 - Youth and Young Adults

Pilgrimage is more than travel – it's the journey of our lives, with all its ups and downs, guided by Christ. As young people from our Diocese travel to Rome and Greece, we're invited to join them in spirit – living as Pilgrims of Hope here in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains.

Rome for Home is for people aged between 13-35 (those under 18 need parental consent).

To be held on Saturday 2 August (12:30pm – 6pm)
at St Andrew the Apostle Parish, Marayong,
Register by 26 July:

<https://parracatholic.org/events/rome-from-home/>



MET Natural Fertility Seminar: 2 August

MET Natural Fertility is holding a free seminar for couples hoping to conceive on Saturday 2 August from 1pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Hear about Restorative Reproductive Medicine and natural methods of achieving pregnancy. We will have couples present to share their amazing stories of how their fertility has been restored and they've achieved pregnancy.

To register, visit parracatholic.org/natural-fertility

VOLUNTEER COMMUNICATORS NEEDED

We're inviting parish volunteers and community members to express their interest in joining the Volunteer Communicators Network to support storytelling across the Diocese.

If you know talented writers, photographers, videographers or social media creators, please let them know we'd love to connect!

Please invite them to complete an [Expression of Interest form](#) and indicate their preferred availability, and we'll be in touch.

Name/contact details are required: parracatholic.org/communicators



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



Parish Envelopes

Packs for the new financial year are available for subscribers to collect from the back of the church. If you would like to become an envelope subscriber please contact the parish office.

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