



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.



**FOURTH
SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

Please visit our Parish Website: www.standrewsmarayong.org.au Year B: Vol.46 No.22 24th/25th April, 2021

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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 of each month at 11.30am

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.

MASS  **LIVE**

[@standrewsmarayong](https://www.facebook.com/standrewsmarayong)

Sunday - 9:30am &

Monday to Saturday 9:00am



<https://bit.ly/SAAPM>

~ 90min after conclusion

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil 5.00pm 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 8.30am,

9.30 am & 10.30am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: 9.00am

Tuesday: 9.00am

Wednesday: 9.00am

Novena Mass: 7.00pm

Thursday: 9.00am

Friday: 9.00am

Saturday: 9.00am

PARISH SCHOOLS:

ST. ANDREW'S PRIMARY

www.standrewspmarayong.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Yvette Baird

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Marayong 2148

ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au

College Principal:

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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

FAITH FORMATION 'The Bible is the Word of God in words of men'

'How shall we read, understand and interpret the Bible?'

- ★ Come and share the discussions on the 'General introduction to the Bible towards effective Bible sharing'

Wednesday Evenings following the 7:00pm Mass

Six Sessions commencing 5th May 2021

Facilitator: Fr Flor

Venue: Church



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 ...

- ♦ ANZAC DAY ♦ ST JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY
- ♦ SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION
- ♦ SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
- ♦ MASS TIMETABLE FOR WEEKENDS
- ♦ UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS

From Monsignor Ron ...

The first reading this weekend stresses the need of oneness with Christ who is the cornerstone, the foundation stone, the keystone of our lives. It is through Jesus that we are saved and have become children of God. Through Jesus we are united to God and we belong to God.

But our call goes still further. Each one of us has the potential to be a Shepherd to the people in his or her life, the potential to bring the love and care of Jesus to others. If we are ever to have Christian communities, it is up to individual Christians to accept the privilege and responsibility they have to become imitators of the Good Shepherd in their lives. For this to happen, it means that all members of the Church need to accept the reality that Jesus calls each and every person to follow in his footsteps and to be his representatives.

In this day and age, we are often hearing repeated references to a crisis in vocations and the lack of priests and religious. This is a very real problem, but in the light of what I have said above, I think there is an even more important issue that we need to face and that is the danger of people generally losing their sense of their own personal Christian vocation.

It is important that we all realise that when the word vocation appears in the New Testament, it is actually applied to each and every follower of Jesus Christ. And this vocation which we all share is spelt out very clearly – we are all called to a life of holiness; we are called to make our God the centre of our lives; we are called to a total commitment to living out our faith; we are called to loving service of others.

It has been very convenient to think that God has somehow graded us into first- and second-class Christians where only those with a religious vocation have the necessary qualities of mind and heart to have a vocation. Certainly, this has not always been the fault of the individual or even communities of individuals. Sometimes it has been the way talks of vocations have been presented to us. There has been an overriding emphasis on priestly and religious vocations.

The Second Vatican Council took place in the 1960s and there are many wonderful treasures to be found there. One of them in the document on the Church, had a section called “The call of the whole Church to holiness.” In there it stated that Jesus preached holiness of life to each and every one of his disciples, regardless of their situation. We need to develop a sense of our shared Christian calling and that is that all of us without exception are essential to the development and spread of the message of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 24th / 25th April 2021 [4th Sunday of the Month - Even Month]						
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	6.00pm	7.30am	8.30am	9.30am	10.30am
ACOLYTES	Ferdinand Chin Ike Enriquez	Joe Doyle Romy Gapud	Anh Kuziak Candido Velasco	Gus Kaster Morie Balisbisan	Charles Hyson Joy Kakodkar	Noe Adan Edward Yuliardhyanto
COMMENTATOR	Therrie Chin	Nenette Gapud	Claire Blunt	Derica Elogious	Vinetta Lobo	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Melville Fernandez	Perla Billedo	Felix Villamarin	Maria Hyson	Joyce Vincent
SECOND READER		Doris Barrios	Nila Mangona	Lydia Villamarin	Clare Healy	Socorro Amos
PROJECTIONIST		Yaqueline Metcalfe				
ALTAR SERVERS	Jacob Chin Jerome Chin	Isabelle & Jasmine Metcalfe			A & R Hyson M Nguyen Janelle K	
WARDENS	Myles Anderiesz Maurice Apap Bill Ebejer Paul Vella	Spiro Cumbo Fred Desira Maya Lobo	Pines Bonifacio Spiro Cumbo Suzanne Daniels	Paul Battikha		
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek Janine Wheeler		Claire Blunt Anthony Culbert			Maricor Espinosa
MUSIC	NO Music Mass		NO Music Mass	NO Music Mass	NO Music Mass	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Fourth Sunday of the Month						

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 01st / 02nd May 2021 [1st Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]						
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	6.00pm	7.30am	8.30am	9.30am	10.30am
ACOLYTES	Morie Balisban Ferdinand Chin	Ruben Bables Romy Gapud	Ged Oblea Rufino Oblea	Anh Kuziak Olan Cruise	Charles Hyson Joy Kakodkar	Ike Enriquez Edward Yuliardhyanto
COMMENTATOR	Therrie Chin	Erna Ferrer	Perla Billedo	Antonette Elogious	Vinetta Lobo	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Edward Yin	Anthony Culbert	Nerissa Toong	Maria Hyson	Joyce Vincent
SECOND READER	Doris Barrios	Nenette Gapud	Julie Nunez	Martin Zammit	Elvie Clark	Donnie Velasco
PROJECTIONIST		Yaqueline Metcalfe		Belinda Elogious		
ALTAR SERVERS	Jacob Chin Jerome Chin	Isabelle Metcalfe Jasmine Metcalfe Keith Vaz			A & R Hyson M Nguyen Janelle K	
WARDENS	Maurice Apap Bill Ebejer Paul Vella	Spiro Cumbo Fred Desira Michael Portelli	Pines Bonifacio Spiro Cumbo Suzanne Daniels	Paul Battikha		
USHERS/ WELCOMERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek Janine Wheeler		Claire Blunt Anthony Culbert			Maricor Espinosa
MUSIC	NO Music Mass		NO Music Mass	NO Music Mass	NO Music Mass	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - First Sunday of the Month						

Anzac Day

This Weekend, April 25, we once again commemorate Anzac Day. This is not a glorification of war but rather a recognition that we do not live in a perfect world. At the same time, it is an opportunity to acknowledge the sacrifices made by those who are members of our armed forces.

Since that disastrous day in 1915 the members of our Armed Forces have won an international reputation for their efforts to minimize and even redress some of the terrible consequences of war, civil strife and natural disasters. In rendering that service some have died, others have been spiritually, physically and emotionally injured, while many others have been greatly affected.

On this day, we pray for those who have died and for those who have suffered because of the activities of our Armed Forces. We also pray for peace in our world.

It is not enough for us to simply enjoy the peace we have here in our quiet corner of the world. The message of peace found within the Gospel is as relevant to our world today as it ever has been. As Christians we still need to share the message that the road to peace is not paved with acts of violence. During each Eucharist, at the sharing of the peace, I ask us to share God's peace with each other. That isn't just a polite request to those who are present in this church.



AN ANZAC PRAYER

Lord our God, boundless provider,
 source of peace that the world cannot give,
 kindly hear our constant prayer
 for those who bore witness to your own fidelity
 by giving their lives for those they loved.
 Resurrect them in our true homeland
 And perfect that peace for which they longed and died.
 We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



MASS READINGS -YEAR B

THIS SUNDAY:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12
 Psalm: Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29
 Second Reading: John 3:1-2
 Gospel: John 10:11-18

NEXT SUNDAY:

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31
 Psalm: Ps 21:26-28. 30-32
 Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24
 Gospel: John 15:1-8

St Andrew the Apostle Parish Mass Timetable from April 25:

Due to the numbers attending our Masses, there will be no change to the Mass timetable until the NSW government relaxes the social distancing.

SATURDAY EVENING VIGIL MASSES:

5:00pm & 6:00pm

SUNDAY MORNING MASSES:

7:30am, 8:30am, 9:30am (live streamed) & 10:30am

Where possible we will have singing
 at the 6:00pm & 10:30am Masses.

Sunday
25-Apr
4th Sunday of Easter ANZAC Day Counters: Group 4
07:30 Mass
08:30 Mass
09:30 Mass - live stream
10:30 Mass
11:45 Baptism
Monday
26-Apr
Saint Mark, Evangelist
9:00 Mass - live stream
15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary
19:00 SvDP Meeting
Tuesday
27-Apr
<i>Tuesday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i> Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort, Priest
9:00 Mass - live stream
19:00 Legion of Mary
Wednesday
28-Apr
Saint Peter Chanel, Priest, Martyr
9:00 Mass - live stream
19:00 Novena & Mass
Thursday
29-Apr
Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor
9:00 Mass - live stream
Friday
30-Apr
<i>Friday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i> Saint Pius V, Pope
9:00 Mass - live stream
15:30 Jnr Legion of Mary
Saturday
1-May
<i>Saturday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i> Saint Joseph the Worker
9:00 Mass - live stream
09:30 Reconciliation 2nd Rite
09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary
10:00 Church Cleaning HJM
11:00 Legion of Mary
17:00 Mass
18:00 Mass

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

This program is for children in year 3 and above who have received the sacrament of Reconciliation.

The registration forms are available from the parish office. The registration evening will take place on Tuesday May 4th, 2021, at 7pm in the Church. The events of this evening are for parents only. It is not for the children. Under the current legislation, those entering the church will have to sign in.

The classes will be held on the weekends of May 22-23 and May 29-30. Precisely how this will happen in practice will be explained at the parent night when we are clearer on what the rules are for Covid 19 in New South Wales.

The dates for First Holy Communion are currently scheduled for June 5 & 6 (so long as there is no tightening of restrictions). Currently, we are planning on having a 12 noon Mass at which we should be able to accommodate approximately 28 candidates. There would be a cap on the number of family members able to attend. It is planned that the other candidates would go to one of the other Masses on that weekend. Of course, there would be limited numbers at each Mass and we would probably include the 9.00am Saturday morning Mass.

FACILITATORS FOR THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Facilitators are extremely important for the education and formation of children and their parents in this program. We are looking for volunteers to help with the sacramental program and it would be appreciated if you are able to help that you contact the parish office as soon as possible.

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION



On Saturday May 1 there will be the opportunity for us to prepare together to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In this time of Easter I believe this is an important part of the process of putting our Lenten journey into perspective and preparing ourselves to live out our commitment as disciples of Jesus. This will be celebrated at 9:30 AM after the morning Mass.

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY IS ON SATURDAY, MAY 1

“Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.”



‘The Well’ offers new refreshment in 2021

‘The Well’ is back in 2021. The team are hoping to drip-feed new and relatable content every 72 hours that supports your ministry with family, friends, students, colleagues and strangers.

Check it out at www.thewell.org.au

CatholicCare Blacktown Neighbourhood Aid Volunteers Needed

Blacktown Neighbour Aid, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to support our senior clients in the Blacktown area to remain living independently in their own home.

If you feel you would like to make a positive difference to other’s lives in this way,

please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.



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During the week prayers have been requested forBishop Bede Heather, Fr Michael O’Callaghan, Sr Cyrilla, Lourdes Arranz, Marciano Arranz, Guseppii Bellomo, Romeo Biala, Gerard Bruneau, Alejandria Cleto, Nicanor Cleto, Florise Corette, John Furey, Maria - Khen Thi Tran, Arturo Licalde Snr, Lucila Loteria, Nieves Lubid, Gloria Nario, Rita Perera, Robert Perera, Assumpta Rajanayagam, Lillian Read, Virgilio & Julita San Jose, Peter Vaughn, Joseph John Vella, Victor & Maryanne Vella, Tony Wanigaratne, Aeldred & Riolene Weber, Stella & Felic Zammit, Dhanesh Collins & Quinn Families, All Souls in Purgatory.....**Please remember in your prayers**