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# 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.



## 14th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please visit our Parish Website: [www.standrewsmarayong.org.au](http://www.standrewsmarayong.org.au) Year B: Vol.43 No.32

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### **PARISH STAFF:**

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### **PRESBYTERY:**

41 Breakfast Rd, Marayong

### **WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturday (Vigil) 6.00pm

Sunday:

7.30am, 8.45am, 10.30am

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

Each Sunday morning  
after the 8.45am Mass.

### **Weekday Masses:**

Monday: 9.00am

Tuesday: 9.00am

Wednesday: 9.00am

*Novena & Mass: 7.00pm*

Thursday: 8.00am

Friday: 9.00am

Saturday: 9.00am

**Mass for the Sick:** 4th Saturday  
of the month at 9.00am

**Rosary:** After each morning  
Mass and before the  
Saturday Vigil Mass

### **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

- After weekday morning Masses.
- Saturday: 4.30pm - 5.30pm
- Anytime by arrangement.

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

**Baptisms:** 1st & 3rd Sunday  
of each month at 11.45am

### **Baptismal Preparation:**

2nd Wednesday of each month  
at 7.30pm

in the Fr Byrne Centre.

Please book for Baptisms  
with the Parish Office.

### **PIETY STALL:**

Open after Masses on Saturday  
night and Sunday morning or  
by asking for an appointment  
at the Parish Office.

### **FR. BYRNE CENTRE:**

(Parish Meeting Rooms)  
38 Breakfast Rd, Marayong.

### **PARISH SCHOOLS:**

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

Principal: Mr M. Tonnet

Phone: 8869 6700

Address: 36 Breakfast Road  
Marayong 2148

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

College Principal: Mr N. Vidot

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

## **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR RECONCILIATION**

**Registration forms may be collected from the parish office from July 24.**

The registration evening for the sacramental program will take place on Tuesday evening August 7 in the Parish Church. The classes for this program will take place on August 19, 26 and September 2. The reception of the sacrament will be offered on Saturday mornings September 15th and 22nd at 9:30am.

This is a parish based program which means it is open to parishioners of St Andrew the Apostle Parish Marayong. To be a parishioner means you either live in the parish boundaries or you have chosen this place as your place of involvement in the Church.

To be eligible, the candidates need to be at least in year two at school and have received the Sacrament of Baptism.

Unfortunately, it has become necessary to point out that the registration evening and the classes are all compulsory if the candidates are to receive the sacrament. While it is understandable that legitimate reasons might prevent people from attending one of these occasions, what has become clear is that a number of families have failed to attend the required classes in our recent sacramental programs. The decision has now been taken that unless there is a legitimate reason, the candidates will not be eligible for the sacraments unless they complete the program. We do hope for your cooperation in this as it is to the obvious advantage of the candidates to receive the sacrament.

### **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 ...**

- ♦ **PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER**
- ♦ **BROWN SCAPULAR CONSECRATION**
- ♦ **ALTAR SERVER FORMATION PROGRAM**
- ♦ **CONGRATULATIONS BAPTISMS & ANNIVERSARIES**
- ♦ **UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS**

## From Monsignor Ron ...

This weekend we have seen Paul referring to his "thorn in the flesh" about which we know absolutely nothing. Scripture scholars have spent ages trying to find out what this was all about. I personally think it is more valuable for us to consider our own thorn in the flesh, those things which prevent us from being better people and better Christians. There is no perfect person living in this world and we are all imperfect in many minor ways. At the same time, we all have one or more areas which cause us particular problems. I do believe it is important that we are honest about this to ourselves. Too often, we make excuses for ourselves. For example, when we go to confess our sins we might say we have been uncharitable and hurtful to others. We might repeat this every time we go to reconciliation. But are we honest enough with ourselves to look at the reason that this occurs so often in our lives. To me this is vitally important. It could be anger, unforgiveness, prejudice, greed, envy, or even fear or once again even something else. I believe if we are going to grow to our potential we need to be able to admit what is our underlying problem. I also believe that as in the case of St Paul, God will use our weaknesses to make us strong. After all, isn't this a key to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. What do we do wrong? Why do we do it? What are we going to do with God's help to improve?

Today's gospel reading is very important to us. Jesus comes back to his hometown eager to share the power of God with the people and he is rejected. I wonder how often we do the same but not only in regard to God but also in regard to the people in our lives.

In regard to God, how often do we seek his advice on how to live our lives? How often do we seek healing

from him through the Sacraments, particularly through the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Penance?

In regard to the people in our lives we are often willing to take advice and criticism from strangers but at the same time resent it from amongst our relatives and friends and members of our families. The reality is that often the best people who can help us change for the better are the very people who are closest to us and know us the best.

Let us resolve to be always open to the invitations and interventions by our loving God and also in recognising the giftedness that every person we know brings into our lives.

### PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.  
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.  
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the Pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.  
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.  
Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.  
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.  
Lead your church into a hope filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.  
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.  
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

Please contact the  
Parish Office, **if you are**  
**unavailable** for your  
rostered Ministry.



#### MASS READINGS -YEAR B

##### THIS SUNDAY:

##### 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Psalm: Ps 122

Second Reading: Cor 12:7-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

##### NEXT SUNDAY:

##### 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15

Psalm: Ps 84:9-14

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

#### THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 8th July 2018

#### [2nd Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Romy Gapud Emmanuel Tabone	Gus Kaster Rufino Oblea	Noe Adan Thong Nguyen	Ike Enriquez Ferdie Chin
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Claire Blunt	<i>Volunteer Required</i>	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Antonette Elogious	Roseanne Victoria	Allen Brady
SECOND READER	Myra Estrera	Belinda Elogious	Rose Rotik	Therrie Chin
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Sarah Debrincat	Derica Elogious	Vesna Kenny	Abigail Chin
WELCOMER	Annette Hudson	Claire Blunt Agnes iligan	<i>Volunteer Required</i>	Jerome Chin
MUSICIANS	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	Couples For Christ	Dingalings
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Second Sunday of the Month				

#### NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 14th / 15th July 2018

#### [3rd Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Stephen Debrincat Edward Yuliardhyanto	Charles Hyson John Fernandes	Morie Balisbisan Thong Nguyen	Robert Bautista <i>Volunteer Required</i>
COMMENTATOR	Erna Ferrer	Mary Anne Xuereb	Joan Leong	Carmelita Liceralde
FIRST READER	Marian Fernandez	Fely Perez	Roseanne Victoria	Therrie Chin
SECOND READER	Edward Yin	Laurinda Atienza	Bernardo Rivera	Eduardo Gatchalian
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	<i>Volunteer Required</i>	<i>Volunteer Required</i>	Jaden Victoria	<i>Volunteer Required</i>
WELCOMER	Melita DelosReyes	Annette Hudson	Denise Farla Dot Kaster	Peter Maw
MUSICIANS	Hearts	NO Music Mass	St Andrew's Family Choir	Living Word Choir
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Third Sunday of the Month				

## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL BROWN SCAPULAR CONSECRATION

This ceremony will take place at the 9:00am Mass on Saturday, July 14. We encourage parishioners young and old to come along to this Mass and enrol in the Brown Scapular. Scapulars will be distributed by members of Legion of Mary before the investiture.

### Devotion

True devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary consists of three things:

VENERATION, CONFIDENCE AND LOVE.

By simply wearing the Scapular, we can tell her every moment of the day that we venerate her, love her and trust in her protection.

*It is a gift to you from your Heavenly Mother.*

**"WHOSOEVER DIES IN THIS GARMENT  
SHALL NOT SUFFER ETERNAL FIRE."**

*- Promise of Our Lady to St. Simon Stock on  
July 16, 1251*



### The Scapular Is a Silent Prayer

As Our Lord taught us to say the Our Father, Our Blessed Mother taught us the value of the scapular. When we use it as a prayer, Our Lady draws us to the Sacred Heart of Her Divine Son. It is good, therefore, to hold the scapular in the hand. A prayer offered while holding the Scapular is as perfect as a prayer can be. It is especially in time of temptation that we need the powerful intercession of God's Mother. The evil spirit is utterly powerless when the wearer of a scapular faces temptation, calling upon the Holy Virgin in this silent devotion. "If you had recommended yourself to me, you would not have run into such danger," was Our Lady's gentle reproach to Blessed Alan de la Roche, one of her devoted servants.

### ALTAR SERVERS

The parish of St Andrews the Apostle Marayong is seeking young people (year 4 to year 11) who have received the sacrament of Holy Communion both boys and girls to join the Altar Servers Ministry.

#### Why, Who & What Altar Serving



- ★ An altar server is a lay assistant to the priest during a Eucharistic Celebration
- ★ As an altar server you are called to serve Jesus, who is the chief priest at every mass.
- ★ You are given the special tasks of carrying sacred vessels at the celebration and are closest to Jesus on the altar.
- ★ Being an altar server means you have been "Chosen to serve Jesus".

Formation Program: 3 Sundays after the 8:45am mass

Dates: July 22nd, 29th and August 5th, Time: 9:30am to 10:30am

Installation August 12th

St Andrew's the Apostle Marayong

### ALTAR SERVER REGISTRATION FORM 2018

Please Print -

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age/Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ School Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School You Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mass Preference** - 1 being first and 4 being last:

Saturday 6:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday 7:30 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday 8:45 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday 10:30 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday	
8	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 2 09:30 Sunday School
Monday	
9	Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and his Companions, Martyrs School Holidays 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary
Tuesday	
10	09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 20:00 Music Committee Meeting
Wednesday	
11	Saint Benedict, Abbot 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Baptism Preparation
Thursday	
12	08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 10:00 Life Ascending Australia Group Meeting - FBC
Friday	
13	Saint Henry 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:10 Choir Practice HJM
Saturday	
14	Saint Camillus of Lellis, Priest Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 09:00 Mass - Reception of the Brown Scapular 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning CFC 16:15 Legion of Mary 19:10 Prayer Meeting HJM





**Life Ascending Australia**  
The next meeting for our seniors group  
will take place on Thursday,  
July 12 at 10:00am.  
Please consider your involvement.

## MUSIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Members of the music ministry are reminded that  
their next meeting will take place on **Tuesday,**  
**July 10 at 8:00pm** in the Fr. Byrne Centre.

### **SEMINAR – UNDERSTANDING FAMILY LAW**

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is holding a two session Seminar on "Understanding Family Law". These sessions are presented by an Accredited Family Law Specialist and will be held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

Session 1: 10am – 12pm – Understanding the Family Law Act – Focus on Divorce/Separation and Children's needs.

Session 2: 1pm -3pm – Understanding the Family Law Act – Focus on Property Settlements.

Venue: St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta.

Entry and onsite parking via Boom gate on Victoria Rd.

Cost: \$10.00 per session. Registration Essential: PH: 8843 2575 or email: [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

### **HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 5 JULY**

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite YOUTH (age 18-35) to join us for Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, 5 July at 7:00 pm. Join us also for pizza at 8:00pm,

Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton.

RSVP: Sr Paula by 1st June, e-mail: [vocationscsfn@gmail.com](mailto:vocationscsfn@gmail.com) mob: 0449 656 406

### **OFFICE FOR WORSHIP FORMATION DAY: 11 AUGUST**

The Office For Worship is offering a Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying Ongoing Formation Day on Saturday 11 August, 9.30am – 2.00pm (Morning Tea and lunch provided) at the Institute For Mission,

1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. RSVP by 6 of August, 2018.

For more information or to register contact [ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org](mailto:ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org) 02 8838 3456.

### **"COME AND SEE DAY" AT HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARY, HARRIS PARK ON 19 AUGUST 2018**

is a whole-day event, inspired by Our Lord's invitation to the two disciples of John the Baptist to "Come and see", found in the Gospel of John. Open Day provides single men open to a priestly vocation with the opportunity to experience seminary life, beginning with Holy Mass at St Oliver's Parish Church at 10 am, followed by talks, a tour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and dinner with Bishop Vincent. RSVP essential.

Please contact Fr John Paul Escarlan via [johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org](mailto:johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org) or 0420 310 771

#### *BAPTISMS IN JUNE 2018*

We offer our congratulations and prayers to the families who have celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism in our parish family. We welcome these young children who are now members of our parish family.

Leo Gavin PARNIS

Xavier Matthew RIDGWAY

Noah Paul Dilshan VITTORI

Hunter David WILLIAMS

Jaimie Amarah YABUT

Raphael Joseph CRUZ

Deanne Martha D'SOUZA

Jessica WILKINSON

## Anniversary of Marriage Blessings

On behalf of the parish community we would like to congratulate those who have celebrated their Wedding anniversaries during the month of June 2018.

Mario & Lita Picart 51 yrs

Plaridel & Teresita Santos 47 yrs

Mario & Maria Igna 21 yrs

Ted & Amy Ramos 12 yrs

Domenico & Divina Campitelli 8 yrs



Marriage blessings for the month of July will be held on Sunday 15th July at the 8:45am Mass.

If you are celebrating an anniversary in the month of July and would like to be involved in this, 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**