



You are always welcome at....

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 B: Vol.43 No.34

21st / 22nd July, 2018

PARISH STAFF:

Monsignor Ron McFarlane
Father Joby Kadambattu MS
Maria Hyson
(Sacramental Coordinator)
Michelle Sultana &
Joe Clemson
(Office staff)

PARISH OFFICE:

Phone: 9622 0817
Fax: 9671 7971
40 Breakfast Rd, Marayong 2148
[PO Box 4345]
Email Address:
saapm@bigpond.com

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday
9.00am to 4.00pm

After hours phone: 9676 7960

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.

From Monsignor Ron ...

The Lord is my Shepherd is one of the most beautiful Psalms and one that we should pray and reflect on very often. So many of the Psalm's images remind us of the life with God, a life of security, comfort, beauty, peace, and joy.

At the same time, we are presented with a realistic description of life in relationship to God. Such a life has times of gladness and overflowing joy. We also pass through difficult and stressful times as well. Our fundamental security throughout this life, which contains both light and dark, is God's commitment to us. In all the events of life he is with us, loving us. We are never alone.

To me, one of the marvellous points that the Psalm puts before us is that our God is our perfect companion who is with us every instant of our lives. This truth is of course beautifully exemplified in the Sacrament of Baptism and in Holy Communion where our God unites himself totally to us.

As well as being a loving and caring God, we are reminded that he is a concerned God who offers us perfect provision, perfect acceptance, perfect care, and the perfect destiny. He offers us perfect provision in that he gives us the means to survive today. He offers us perfect acceptance in that he will always love us and he will never reject us. He offers us perfect care because he loves us and wants to help us, and of course he always knows what is best for us. He offers us a perfect destiny in that he invites us to join him for eternal life.

In other words, we have a God who strives always to bring us to our full potential. This Psalm speaks to us about God's attitude to us. But, also, it calls us to love others and care for ourselves as he does for us; this means that it is a challenging Psalm as well.

In the Psalm we see the love of God for us and we see also his desire to support us. On our side, part of our response has to be to find plenty of space and time to be with our God.

In every generation the Lord has been our Good Shepherd. Today he speaks to us and asks us not just to be the recipients of his love and care, but also to see the large crowds of people in our own world who are like sheep without a shepherd. He asked us to have compassion for people who are lost and confused. He exhorts us to take responsibility in their regard and to set ourselves to be teachers to these people. But we need to remember that the Church is Shepherd for the world. Our loving God calls us his people to be effective signs of his love for every human person. We need to constantly be asking ourselves how can we show the care of Christ to the people we meet today?

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.

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



MASS READINGS -YEAR B

THIS SUNDAY:

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm: Ps 22

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

NEXT SUNDAY:

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Psalm: Ps 144:10-11, 15-18

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Gospel: John 6:1-15

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 21st / 22nd July 2018

[4th Sunday of the Month - Odd month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Joe Doyle Ike Enriquez	Candido Velasco John Blackford	Mario Picart Joy Kakodkar	Noe Adan Robert Bautista
COMMENTATOR	Stephen Debrincat	Claire Blunt	Derca Elogious	Maryanne Bautista
FIRST READER	Felecia Silva	Pauline Sultana	Maricor Espinosa	Monique Ravenello
SECOND READER	Lisa D'Souza	Nila Mangona	Luz Tiqui	Vicky Ilagan
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Sian D'Souza	Volunteer Required	Belinda Elogious	Emily Webb Natalie Webb
WELCOMER	Marian Fernandez Melville Fernandez	Agnes Ilagan	Volunteer Required	Editha Brady Carl Republica Jerome Chin
MUSICIANS	Lorrain's Group	NO Music Mass	Worship Hymn	Couples For Christ
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Fourth Sunday of the Month				

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 28th / 29th July 2018

[5th Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Edward Yuliardhyanto Joe Doyle	Thong Nguyen Volunteer Required	Joy Kakodkar Mario Spiteri	Ferdi Chin Robert Bautista
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Julie Nunez	Jane Cauchi	Maryanne Bautista
FIRST READER	Mariyam Wijeyaratnam	Agnes Ilagan	Felix Villamarin	Vicky Ilagan
SECOND READER	Maria Valentine	Pauline Sultana	Doris Barrios	Donnie Velasco
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Delia Fernandes		Samara Brenna	Jerrick Morales
WELCOMER	Volunteer Required		Dot Kaster	Peter Maw
MUSICIANS	Hearts	NO Music Mass	Pimig Pinoy Choir	St Andrew's Children's Choir
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Fifth Sunday of the Month				



ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

We are fortunate to have a number of volunteers for the re-establishment of the St Vincent DePaul Society and we do encourage other parishioners to become involved in this very important ministry.

We will be holding a meeting to inaugurate this new evolution of the society on Tuesday, July 24 at 7:00pm in the Father Byrne Centre. If you are interested in learning about the work of the Society, we encourage you to come along.



MASS FOR THE SICK

On Saturday, July 28 we will have our monthly Mass for the Sick. This is an important opportunity for us to pray for fellow parishioners, family and friends who are experiencing illness at this time.

There is also an opportunity for those

experiencing serious illness, those preparing for an operation or who are going through the infirmity of old age. At our Mass we will have the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. We do encourage parishioners to bring along people who may benefit from the Sacrament.

As well, thanks to our seniors group, there will be morning tea after the Mass and we do encourage people to bring along something for this and to join us in this social get-together.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Postponed



I have decided to postpone the next meeting as I think it is more important that all members of the parish pastoral council attend the plenary 2020 information and training sessions. One of these is being held on Monday, July 30 at St Patrick's Blacktown and I would encourage parishioners and council members to attend. This will go from 7:00pm until 9:30pm.

We will have our next Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Monday, August 13.

We do ask for representatives from all groups and organisations in the parish to be in attendance.

THE PLENARY 2020 INFORMATION AND TRAINING SESSIONS

Plenary 2020 is the name given to a process initiated by the Australian Bishops who are inviting people to engage in listening, dialogue and discernment about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia ahead of a Plenary Council in 2020. Significantly, a process such as this has not happened in Australia since 1937. Our voices are needed and we are invited to engage with family, friends and colleagues in this time of renewal.

Our Diocese is holding information and training sessions to offer participants a broad understanding of what Plenary 2020 is all about and how we can participate. Furthermore resources and training will be offered to equip participants with the confidence and tools they need to engage others in Plenary 2020.

You are invited to attend one of the following sessions –

Monday, 30 July 2018 - 7.00 pm to 9.30 pm - St Patricks Blacktown Parish - Cardinal Clancy Room (51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown)

Sunday, 5 August 2018 - 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm - Institute for Mission (1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown)

The following people will greatly benefit from attending a session:

- Clergy
- Parish staff, council members, ministry co-ordinators
- Parish volunteers
- Ethnic community representatives
- Chaplains
- Community group representatives.

Sunday	22
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 4 08:45 Altar Server training 09:30 Sunday School	
Monday	23
Saint Bridget of Sweden, Religious School Commences 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	
Tuesday	24
Saint Charbel Makhlof, Priest <i>Registrations Open</i> <i>Reconciliation</i> 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 St Vincent de Paul Information Meeting	
Wednesday	25
Saint James, Apostle 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	
Thursday	26
Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 14:00 Church Cleaning Group 4 19:30 Music Practice CFC	
Friday	27
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:10 Choir Practice HJM	
Saturday	28
Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 09:00 Mass for the Sick 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 16:15 Legion of Mary 19:10 Prayer Meeting HJM	



MUSIC Practice for the Children's Choir

Saturday 28th July 4:30pm in the Fr Byrne Centre.

The Children's Choir will be singing on Sunday the 29th of July at the 10:30am Mass.

ALTAR SERVER FORMATION PROGRAM

Training commences Sunday, July 22nd after the 8:45am Mass;
It is not too late to enrol, see the Parish Office for full details and a registration form.



LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES

The Office for Worship is taking enrolments for its Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses for those who are interested in being Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Bringing Communion to the Sick and Dying. To be held at the Institute For Mission at 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. Enrolments close 9 August.
NOTE: Introduction Session on 16 August is compulsory. Please see the Parish office for a form or for more information contact ivergano@parra.catholic.org.au or 02 8838 3456 or parracatholic.org/office-for-worship/

IFM THEMES OF FAITH PROGRAM

Exploring Catholic life, faith and action themes – for people keen on very manageable home readings/ reflection ready to attend great group conversations. Ten Monday evenings and one Saturday morning are spread out across July 30 to Oct 29. Gatherings break into mentored groups of 10 - excellent for age 18 to seniors - builds confidence to grow and share faith. See ifm.org.au or call the IFM team 9296 6369

IFM REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM

This enjoyable program aims to enrich those involved in service/ministry of Catholic communities – excellent chance for learning and further shaping of faith and purpose. Ten Tuesday evenings and two Saturday mornings are spread out across August 18 to Dec 1 – presenters' inputs, journaling and application to ministry – group size about 35. See ifm.org.au or call the IFM team 9296 6369

Notices from the Diocese of Parramatta

We're hiring!

If you're studying or recently graduated from accounting and looking to get your foot in the door in finance, the Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Development Fund is looking for a casual Trainee Assistant Accountant with an immediate start.

For more information contact ddffinance@parradfd.org.au

Holy Hour for Vocations: 2 August

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite YOUTH (age 18-35) to join us for Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, 2 August at 7:00 pm. Join us also for pizza at 8:00pm, Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton.
RSVP: Sr Paula via vocationscsfn@gmail.com or 0449 656 406.

The Catenian Charity Inc. Scholarship

The Catenians are offering a \$5,000 scholarship to advance the interests of Australian Catholic students, aged between 15-25, who are in necessitous circumstances, enrolled at an Australian tertiary institution or tertiary residential college. For more details contact info@bryantchurch.com.au or john_monkhouse@iprimus.com.au.

Applications close 4 August 2018.

ACYMC 2018

Early-bird registration for the Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta on behalf of the Australian Catholic Bishops is now open at www.acymc.org.au. The event will host up to 500 adult delegates who are engaged in ministry with young people in parishes, schools, agencies and ministries of the Catholic Church. Rooty Hill RSL, September 21-23.

Contact James Camden, Director, Catholic Youth Parramatta for more information

(02) 8838 3428 or james.camden@parracatholic.org

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 ...

- ♦ SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR RECONCILIATION
- ♦ MASS FOR THE SICK
- ♦ PLENARY 2020
- ♦ ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY
- ♦ UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS

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