

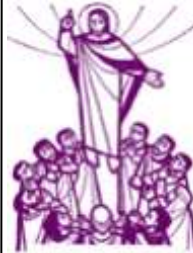


Jesus said 'Come and see'..... *John 1:39-41*

# 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.



## The ASCENSION of the LORD

Please visit our Parish Website: [www.standrewsmarayong.org.au](http://www.standrewsmarayong.org.au) Year C: Vol.44 No.26

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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  
*Holy Hour & Mass: 7.00pm*  
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: Yvette Baird  
Phone: 8869 6700  
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Marayong 2148

#### ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

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

## Celebrate Pentecost Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019

5:20pm Rosary | 6:00pm Mass | 7:00pm International Supper & Program at the Primary School Hall

*You are encouraged to wear your national costume or something red.*

Enjoy the night with our Parish Community with presentations, door prizes, dancing, camaraderie and yummy international food generously donated by our parishioners.

**A huge event like this needs a lot of happy working bees.**

**Volunteers/donors are needed for the following:**

- ❖ Food/household item donations for St Vincent de Paul from parish groups; for families wishing to donate a parcel and be part of the Offertory procession please contact office and bring your parcel wrapped in red or yellow in the Mass
- ❖ Door prize donations; please contact office if you wish to donate
- ❖ Decorating the church/piazza and setting up tables/chairs in the hall on June 8 at 10am
- ❖ Donation of drinks/food; preferably finger food and easy-to-serve food as there will be no heating facility. Hall will be open from 4:30 pm for food donations on June 8
- ❖ Receiving of food/drink donations at 4:30pm and serving of food/drinks at 7:00pm
- ❖ Packing away tables/chairs and cleaning up the hall afterwards

*Please indicate your involvement/food donation on the signup sheets at the back of the church or contact the office.*

**Please come and join us to make the Feast of Pentecost a joyful occasion to honour the Holy Spirit, celebrate the birthday of our Church and to bring our Parish community together.**

**Thank you all in advance for your time and generosity.**



## From Monsignor Ron ...

Today is a marvellously encouraging feast day. We are reflecting on the activity of God in our lives, on the fact that we have the key to successful living and on the fact that Jesus and the Holy Spirit will be active in our lives to the extent that we allow them to be.

Unfortunately, we tend to be very much like the apostles who seemed to be slow learners. Our grasp and acceptance of the message of Jesus and our part in his mission more often than not leave something to be desired. Most of us struggle with the call to shoulder our crosses and to lose our lives for his sake. The fact that he calls us to live according to his values and to be his disciples and missionaries to every person we meet are invitations we too often ignore. The commandment to love every person with his practical care and love is one we attempt continually to water down.

Today we are called to open our minds and hearts to all Jesus asks of us and calls us to be, for this is where our meaning in life is to be found.

As we have mentioned often during this Eastertide Jesus has achieved the purpose for which he came into the world. He has won redemption for all people; he has showed us how much we are loved by our God; he has showed us how to live our lives; he has given us a share in his own life through Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion.

Now he invites us to do two things. In the first place he wants us to accept his life and message

completely into our own beings so that we live a completely new life -- in other words, we are obviously different from people who do not have faith in Jesus. Secondly, he invites us to be his co-workers, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, in spreading this message to all people by our lives and by our enthusiasm for Christian living.

This week may God's truth guide your minds. May God's love fill your hearts. And may God strength give you courage.

### THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Approximately seventy of our young people will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, June 18. We encourage families in the parish to pray for our candidates and for their families during this important time.

It is also a wonderful time to reflect on the gift of confirmation which we received and to renew our commitment to devotion to the Holy Spirit and to activating the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

### PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them.

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



#### MASS READINGS -YEAR C

#### THIS SUNDAY:

The Ascension of the Lord

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Psalm: Ps 46:2-3. 6-9

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

#### NEXT SUNDAY:

Pentecost Sunday

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Psalm: Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-17

Gospel: John 14:15-16. 23-26

#### THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 1st / 2nd June 2019

[1st Sunday of the Month-Even Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Ruben Bables Joe Doyle	Ged Oblea Rufino Oblea	Thong Nguyen Mario Spiteri	Ike Enriquez Edward Yuliardhyanto
COMMENTATOR	Joyce Vincent	Mary Anne Xuereb	Margaret Berry	Joan Leong
FIRST READER	Volunteer Required	Anthony Culbert	Nerissa Toong	Allen Brady
SECOND READER	Martin Zammit	Julie Nunez	Zoe Victoria	Carmelita Licalalde
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Delia Fernandes	Volunteer Required	Vesna Kenny	Shekha Raviraj
WELCOMER	Volunteer Required	Annette Hudson Rita Vaughn	Dot Kaster, Des Zammit	YouthWorks!
MUSICIANS	Lorraine's Group	NO Music Mass	CD Music Mass	YouthWorks!
<b>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - First Sunday of the Month</b>				

#### NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 8th / 9th June 2019

[2nd Sunday of the Month - Even month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Romy Gapud Emmanuel Tabone	Gus Kaster Volunteer Required	Noe Adan Mario Picart	Robert Bautista Ferdinand Chin
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Claire unt	Lita Picart	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Antonette Elogious	Roseanne Victoria	Socorro Amos
SECOND READER	Teresita Cacdac	Belinda Elogious	Rose Rotik	Maryanne Bautista
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Sarah Debrincat	Derica Elogious	Jaden Victoria	Volunteer Required
WELCOMER	Annette Hudson	Claire Blunt Agnes Iligan	Volunteer Required	Jerome Chin
MUSICIANS	Hearts	NO Music Mass	Couples for Christ	Dingalings
<b>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Second Sunday of the Month</b>				

## BISHOP'S GOOD SHEPHERDS APPEAL

this weekend -- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> of June

When God calls, will you help them answer? The Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is training 15 young men to be true shepherds of Christ's flock and future priests for the Diocese of Parramatta. Your gift to Parramatta Catholic Foundation will support our seminarians to prepare for the priesthood and a life of community service.

*Please give generously via the Bishop's Good Shepherds Appeal envelopes*

*or online at: [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal)*

Our Parish Commitment to this appeal is over \$15,500 so we do rely very much on the generosity of our parishioners.

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### COMBINED MUSIC PRACTICE FOR PENTECOST



as we approach the feast of Pentecost to prepare ourselves for this wonderful feast day and celebration of parish life, there will be a combined music practice on Wednesday evening, June 5, after the Mass and Novena.

*We encourage all interested parties to become involved in this practice.*

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### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

This coming Friday is the First Friday of June and traditionally regarded as a special time in devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, so you are encouraged to join us for Mass and Devotions to the Sacred Heart at 7:00pm on Friday evening.

#### *The Prayer to the Sacred Heart*

Oh Lord Jesus Christ, to Your most Sacred Heart I confide this intention {name petition}.  
Only look upon me, then do what Your love inspires. Let Your Sacred Heart decide.  
I count on You. I trust in You. I throw myself on Your mercy. Lord Jesus, You will not fail me.  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You.  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I believe in Your love for me.  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, Your kingdom come.  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I have asked You for many favors, but I earnestly implore this one.  
Take it, place it in Your open Heart.  
When the Eternal Father looks upon it, He will see it covered with Your Precious Blood.  
It will be no longer my prayer, but Yours, Jesus. Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
I place all my trust in You. Let me not be disappointed. Amen.

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### PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the parish Finance committee will be on Monday, June 3. This is an important meeting as we prepare for our Parish Finance Sunday.

In many ways we continue to get by with our Sunday collections but there has been somewhat of a decrease in both the First Collection and Second Collection. For the ongoing development of the parish and the support of the diocese, we do need to address the situation. There are still many people who simply make a token gesture as far as the collections go and quite a large number who don't contribute on a regular basis.

In recent times, there has been expenditure on new microphones for the music ministry. Also, on our to do list in the very near future is a new keyboard for the church as it is a number of years since this has been updated. There are also been unexpected expenses in regard to electrical work and plumbing in the church precinct.

You might also remember the recent hailstorm. This caused some damage to the roof of the church which is still in process of being fixed up.

We also continue to explore introduction of air-conditioning in the Church. This has been slower than expected due to the vagueness of some of the quotes. Consequently, we have found it necessary to seek professional help from the Diocese which will be a great help but may delay the process a little bit. Since the expenditure will be over \$30,000, once we get a definite quote we will have to apply to the diocese for expenditure and that could take some time.

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**You are invited to attend a Pastoral Formation Teaching 'The Community we call Church'**

Saturday June 15th in the St Andrews Primary School Hall from 1:00 to 4:00pm.

*Presented by Fr Luis Herrera in association with the Couples for Christ Australia*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 <b>The Ascension of the Lord</b> Catholic Foundation Appeal Counters: Group 5 08:45 Confirmation Class 2 09:30 Sunday School 10:30 <b>Sunday School/Pentecost Practice</b> 10:30 Youth Mass 11:45 Baptism 13:00 CFC Christian Life Program	3 Saints Charles Lwanga and his Companions, Martyrs 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:15 Finance Committee Meeting	4 09:00 Mass SAP yr1 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:15 Alpha Program	5 Saint Boniface, Bishop, Martyr 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 20:00 Combined Music Practice for Pentecost / New Hymns	6 Saint Norbert, Bishop Saint Marcellin Champagnat 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary	7 First Friday 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 19:00 Holy Hour & Mass 20:00 Pentecost dress rehearsal	8 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning CFC 10:00 Pentecost preparation 16:00 Music Practice Worship Hymn 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance 18:00 Pentecost Celebration
9 <b>Pentecost</b> Counters: Group 6 09:30 Sunday School 13:00 CFC Christian Life Program	10 Queens Birthday Public Holiday 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 SVdP Meeting	11 Saint Barnabas, Apostle 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:15 Alpha Program	12 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Baptism Preparation 20:00 <i>Combined Music Practice for Confirmation (in the Church)</i>	13 Saint Antony of Padua, Priest, Doctor 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 10:00 Life Ascending Australia Group Meeting - FBC	14 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:00 Core Meeting HJM	15 <i>Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning LoM 13:00 Pastoral Formation afternoon 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance
16 <b>The Most Holy Trinity</b> Counters: Group 7 Finance Sunday 08:45 Marriage Blessing 09:30 Sunday School 11:45 Baptism 13:00 CFC Christian Life Program	17 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary	18 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 CONFIRMATION Ceremony 19:00 Legion of Mary	19 Saint Romuald, Abbot 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	20 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 20:00 Music Practice	21 Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 09:00 Mass SAP yr 3&4 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 19:00 Youth Mass & SAYWAT 20:00 Choir Practice HJM	22 Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs 09:00 Mass for the Sick 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 16:00 Music Practice Worship Hymn 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance 19:00 Prayer Meeting HJM
23 <b>Corpus Christi</b> Counters: Group 8 09:30 Sunday School 13:00 CFC Christian Life Program	24 The Birthday of Saint John the Baptist 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 SVdP Meeting	25 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	26 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 14:00 Church Cleaning Group 4 19:30 Music Practice CFC	28 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 09:15 Mass SAP 10:00 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 7:00 Mass	29 Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance 18:00 Catechist Commissioning
30-Jun <b>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Peter's Pence Collection <i>Catechist Commissioning all Masses</i> 09:30 Sunday School	1-Jul 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary	2-Jul 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	3-Jul Saint Thomas, Apostle 09:00 Mass SAP yr 1&2 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	4-Jul Saint Elizabeth of Portugal 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary	5-Jul Saint Antony Mary Zaccaria, Priest First Friday Last day of Term 2 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 19:00 Holy Hour & Mass	6-Jul Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr <i>Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 09:00 Mass 09:30 Parish Reconciliation 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Rosary 10:00 HJM Prayer Leader workshop 10:00 Church Cleaning HJM 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance