



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 EPIPHANY
of the LORD

Please visit our Parish Website: www.standrewsmarayong.org.au Year C: Vol.44 No.05 05th / 06th January, 2019

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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: Yvette Baird
 Phone: 8869 6700
 Address: 36 Breakfast Road
 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

EVER THOUGHT OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

We hope you don't mind us asking this question, but experience has shown us that time and again many people feel drawn to the Catholic community. Often they would like to ask some questions but don't know where to start. Well, there is one place to begin, and that is through this parish community.

At St Andrews Parish, Marayong, we offer opportunities for people to come together, with members of the Parish community, to find out what makes the Catholic Church or, rather, what makes Catholics tick.

There is no "hard sell" and no strings attached. We provide a friendly series of informative evenings among friends. We would be delighted to share with you some of our own experiences of what it means to be Catholic. We would like you to learn about the community we belong to and the values that are important to us.

To find out when and where the next program is being held,
 please contact the parish office on 9622 0817.

We encourage members of our Parish family to offer this invitation to people they know who might be interested in having a look at the Catholic Church.

If there are starters, commencement date will be Monday February 4.

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 ...

- ♦ CALENDAR FOR FIRST HALF OF JANUARY 2019
- ♦ LITURGY ROSTER FOR 2019
- ♦ PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
- ♦ SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR COMMUNION 2019
- ♦ UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS

From Monsignor Ron ...

As we move into this new year of 2019, I think one of the most important messages in this the Feast of the Epiphany is that of the equality of all people before God. Even in the early church, the Christians were confronted with the problem of exclusiveness. They were the chosen people. I do think that this is a danger that faces all of us as we do have the tendency towards exclusiveness rather than seeing every person as our brother or sister. Going along with this can be the temptation to have a complacent attitude of automatic salvation since we regard ourselves as the chosen people.

In our first reading taken from the Old Testament prophet Isaiah we have the teaching that Jerusalem is the chosen city of redemption, we also have the message that God wills the salvation of all people. If this is the case then we are all equal in the eyes of God and that is a teaching we need to live by.

This was a teaching which was very often stated by St Paul. The fact is God loves every single one of us totally and without exception which means we will have equality before him. I will readily admit that St Paul is mainly talking in a religious sense of equality, but the implications of this are found in every aspect of daily living. We do need to see every person as a member of our family as they are members of God's family.

The wise men came to visit Jesus offering gifts. Something similar happens in the offertory procession that takes place in our celebration of the Mass. The offertory procession in the Mass is an expression of our desire to offer ourselves with the offering of Jesus at the Last Supper and on Calvary. For this to be a true and total offering of ourselves in accord with the will of God, it means that we must be committed to seeing every person as a member of

our family, every person as equal and redeemed in the precious Blood of Jesus Christ.

I would like to briefly stay with the offering of ourselves at Mass. We have the offering of Jesus made present to us for our benefit. What makes the Mass different from the offering of Jesus on the cross is what we put into the Mass. It is our sincerity and our real effort to please God in all things and in the way in which we live our lives that will give meaning to what we do here at Mass. I mention this because the Mass can never be seen in isolation. When we are united with Jesus and each other in the Mass, we are committing ourselves to live as brothers and sisters, as representatives of Jesus Christ and as his people are to put on the heart and mind of Jesus.

Reflection for the Week

"God is much like the sun. The sun only shines. We can stand under the sun, share its gifts of warmth and light, or we can leave it. We can even lock ourselves in the dungeons of darkness. But the sun does not go out because we have left it. In the same way we can leave God, but he does not change. He only loves. We are free to reject the warmth and light of his love. If we do, we grow dark and cold and can even fall into spiritual death. But we are always free, and even when we are languishing in the dark, we know we can always go back into the warm light of God's love."

[Father John Powell, SJ, "Through the Eyes of Faith"]

Mass Readings this Week

If you are using a weekday Missal, the readings for this week are taken from the week days of Christmas time. The Christmas season liturgically continues until Sunday, January 13 which is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Then we will move into weekday readings for Ordinary Time, year 1.

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



MASS READINGS -YEAR C

THIS SUNDAY:

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm: Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Second Reading: Eph 3:2-3, 5-6
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY:

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalm: Ps103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30
Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 5th / 6th January 2019 [1st Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Ruben Bables Joe Doyle	Ged Oblea Rufino Oblea	Edward Yuliardhyanto Mario Spiteri	Ike Enriquez Thong Nguyen
COMMENTATOR	Joyce Vincent	Mary Anne Xuereb	Maria Hyson	YouthWorks!
FIRST READER	Roshan Thomas	Anthony Culbert	Nerissa Toong	YouthWorks!
SECOND READER	Martin Zammit	Julie Nunez	Zoe Victoria	YouthWorks!
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Delia Fernandes	Volunteer Required	Vesna Kenny	
WELCOMER	Volunteer Required	Annette Hudson Rita Vaughn	Dot Kaster, Des Zammit	YouthWorks!
MUSICIANS	St Andrew's Family Choir	NO Music Mass	CD Music Mass	YouthWorks!
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - First Sunday of the Month				

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 12th / 13th January 2019 [2nd Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Romy Gapud Emmanuel Tabone	Gus Kaster Edsel Paltoo	Noe Adan Mario Picart	Robert Bautista Ferdie Chin
COMMENTATOR	Nenette Gapud	Claire Blunt	Lita Picart	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Antonette Elogious	Roseanne Victoria	Allen Brady
SECOND READER	Myra Estrera	Belinda Elogious	Rose Rotik	Maryanne Bautista
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Sarah Debrincat	Derica Elogious	Vesna Kenny	Abigail Chin
WELCOMER	Annette Hudson	Claire Blunt Agnes iligan	Volunteer Required	Jerome Chin
MUSICIANS	Hearts	NO Music Mass	CD Music Mass	Dingalings
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Second Sunday of the Month				



FIESTA SINULOG 2019

Triduum Mass in preparation for the FIESTA OF SEÑOR SANTO NIÑO
 16th, 17th, 18th January 2019
 7.00pm Good Shepherd Catholic Church

FIESTA: SUNDAY 20TH JANUARY 2019

Time: 2:30pm Concelebrated Mass followed by Procession
 Main Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Severino Bustria Bustamante OFM
 Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 30 Hyatt Road, Plumpton, NSW
 All Devotees please bring your Santo Niño Statues

PROCESSION • SINULOG • THANKSGIVING

Entertainment program, dinner sharing & raffle
 Please bring food and drink to share

2019

Parish Pastoral Council



The Parish Pastoral Council is our main planning and advisory committee in the parish. For this to be effective we do need parish representation and people prepared to present ideas on behalf of the broad community. The parish pastoral council consists of ex officio members nominated by the parish priest, two representatives from each group in the parish, and a number of interested parishioners.

We do need the names and contact numbers of representatives from the groups in the parish as soon as possible. Those interested in contributing in this important way are asked to contact Msgr Ron and also to leave their details in the parish office. It would be appreciated if this could be done this week.

We do need to plan for this coming year and what are going to be our priorities. To do this effectively we are dependent upon your help and support.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The offer to provide visitation and Communion to housebound parishioners is of vital importance so we need to look at providing more regular Ministry to these people. I would ask Acolytes and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to let us know of their availability either during the week or on a Sunday morning to be involved in this ministry.

You may contact the parish office or provide the details through the information table.

ROSTERS FOR LITURGY

➔ We do need to create new rosters for our weekend liturgies. In recent times a number of parishioners have completed courses and been commissioned as Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion.

At the same time, almost every weekend sees people not turning up to fulfil their roster. We do not know why this is so since many of them do not even bother to contact the parish office.

Consequently, we are going to create a new roster which will necessitate people contacting the parish office. To help with this there will be forms at the main door of the church. As well, if it is more convenient please fill out the details below and return them to the office. I would encourage you to return this information as soon as possible as I want the new roster to be in effect by the 1st weekend of February.

Name: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Ministry:

Reader; Commentator; Extraordinary Minister of Communion; Acolyte.

Preferred Mass: 6:00pm; 7:30am; 8:45am; 10:30am.

Availability for Communion to the Sick: yes / no _____

Sunday	6
The Epiphany of the Lord Counters: Group 1 10:30 Youth Mass 11:45 Baptism	
Monday	7
Saint Raymond of Penafort, Priest 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary	
Tuesday	8
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	
Wednesday	9
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Baptism Preparation	
Thursday	10
08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary	
Friday	11
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:10 Choir Practice HJM	
Saturday	12
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning CFC 16:15 Legion of Mary 19:10 Prayer Meeting HJM	

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If your child has been Baptised and has received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, he/she is eligible to be prepared for First Holy Communion at St Andrews parish so long as the family lives within the boundaries or has chosen this parish as their parish of worship.
Enrolment forms can be collected from the parish office from Monday February 4, 2019.

Registration Evening:
Tuesday 19th February 2019 at 7.00pm in the Church
Classes: Sundays 03rd March & 10th March 2019
[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass & finish approximately 11.30am]
Sacrament of First Holy Communion:[choose one]
Saturday 23rd March at 6:00pm or
Sunday 24th March 2019 at 8.45am or 12:15 pm

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This Program will commence in Term 2 for children in Years 5 & above who have made their First Holy Communion.
Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office **from Monday 29th April 2019**
Registration Evening:
Tuesday 14th May 2019 at 7.00pm in the Church.
Classes: Sundays 26th May & 02nd June 2019
[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass & finish approximately 11.30am]
Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony:
18th and/or 19th June 2019 at 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF FIRST PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

The Sacrament of First Penance Program will take place in Term 3 for children in Years 2 & above who have been baptised.
Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office **from Monday 22nd July 2019**
Registration Evening:
Tuesday 06th August 2019 at 7.00pm in the Church
Classes: Sundays 18th, 25th August & 08th September 2019
[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass & finish approximately 11.30am]
Sacrament of Penance will be celebrated on either: [Choose one]
Saturday 14th or 21st September 2019 (9:30am)

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at Father Byrne Centre.

Booking is essential. Please call /email Vinetta Lobo on 0430 509 890 / vinettajoy@hotmail.com or leave your details at the Parish office to reserve your spot.
For more information please collect a flyer available at the back of the church.

Sunday	13
The Baptism of the Lord Counters: Group 2 09:30 Sunday School	
Monday	14
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 SvDP Meeting	
Tuesday	15
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	
Wednesday	16
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	
Thursday	17
Saint Antony, Abbot 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 20:00 Music Practice	
Friday	18
09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary <i>NO Youth Mass & SAYWAT</i> 20:10 HJM Core Meeting	
Saturday	19
Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary CFC Evangelisation meeting 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning LoM 16:15 Legion of Mary	