



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.



22nd SUNDAY
in ORDINARY
TIME

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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
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:

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Principal: Yvette Baird
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 Marayong 2148

ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

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JUNIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 7-10)

Address: 116 Quakers Road
 Marayong 2148

SENIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 11-12)

Address: 50 Breakfast Road
 Marayong 2148

BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK CLERGY

The Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta assists in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the Diocese, and an annual appeal, *The Bishop's Collection for Retired and Sick Clergy*, is held on Father's Day each year to support the Foundation. It is hoped to raise \$200,000 each year through this appeal.

Last year, through your generosity we reached the target with donations totalling \$195,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution. This year the appeal in the Diocese will be held this weekend.

A third collection will be held this weekend at each Mass. Special envelopes will be available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. If you wish to claim a tax deduction, please tick the box and write your details clearly on the envelope. If you are unable to contribute today please take home an appeal envelope and return it next weekend.

If you wish you can make online contributions at csfparra.org.au using your credit card or direct transfer via eft to BSB 067 950 and Account No 001691 in the name of the CSF with reference your name, and send e-mail to csf@parracatholic.org with your details so receipts can be sent, which we usually do in January.

Please give generously this Father's Day Appeal.

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 SEPTEMBER 2019
- ♦ FATHER'S DAY BLESSING
- ♦ ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING
- ♦ BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
- ♦ UPCOMING PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS

From Monsignor Ron ...

Recently, I came across a story which I would like to share with you. There was panic at the airport because a flight had been cancelled and as many of us have experienced there were long queues to get on to another flight. There was one man who got increasingly annoyed at the delay and decided to jump the queue. When he was asked to get back in line, he banged his fist on the counter and said: "Have you any idea who I am?" Without a moment's hesitation, the girl picked up the PA microphone and announced: "I have a gentleman here who does not know who he is. If anyone in the airport can identify him, please come to the counter."

I find this very similar to the story told by Jesus. When people give the impression of being far more important than others they often come very unpleasantly unstuck. What Jesus is trying to do is to teach us a very profound spiritual truth which is the importance of humility. Quite simply, "everyone who exalts himself or herself will be humbled and those who humble themselves will be exalted. This is an attitude which is wonderfully summed up in the prayer of the Blessed Virgin Mary the Magnificat. In that prayer she declares that all generations will call her blessed but at the same time she insists that God who is mighty has done great things for her. She states that she is blessed among all God's people, but this is to the glory of God not to the glory of herself.

I would like to suggest that the humility that Jesus teaches us is found in the way we treat other people. It is doing things for others and not expecting anything in return. Our treatment of others is a good indication of whether or not we are truly humble. The reality is that we are all equal in God's eyes. We owe everything to God and that includes every ability and talent we have and everything we achieve. We are

God's gifts to this world in which we live. But what we need to realise is that the same is true of every other person. They are our brothers and sisters. They are equally loved by God. They also are God's gifts to the world. We need to discover this giftedness in other people and we also need to realise that we all belong to the one family.

Let us conclude with some questions: are we really aware of our need for God? Do we accept that we are in need of saving or is our approach the one that we are basically okay and able to manage quite happily on our own? Who do we pay attention to in our daily lives, those who are important and can do something for us or those who are powerless and require our help?

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING AND FORMATION PROGRAM

The parish of St Andrew 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 of 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".

Program: Three Sundays after the 8:45am Mass

If you would like to serve Jesus as an altar server, please talk to your parents or caregivers and complete the registration form available from the Parish Office or Priest's Sacristy and return the completed form to the parish office.

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



MASS READINGS - YEAR C

THIS SUNDAY:

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-20. 28-29

Psalm: Ps 67:4-7. 10-11

Second Reading: Heb 12:18-19. 22-24

Gospel: Luke 14:1. 7-14

NEXT SUNDAY:

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18

Psalm: Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17

Second Reading: Phil 9-10. 12-17

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 31st August / 1st September '19 [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	Thong Nguyen Mario Spiteri	Ike Enriquez Edward Yuliardhyanto
COMMENTATOR	Joyce Vincent	Mary Anne Xuereb	Joan Leong	Peter Maw
FIRST READER	Roshan Thomas	Anthony Culbert	Nerissa Toong	Socorro Amos
SECOND READER	Martin Zammit	Julie Nunez	Zoe Victoria	Carmelita Liceralde
PROJECTOR OPERATORS	Delia Fernandes	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required
WELCOMER	Volunteer Required	Annette Hudson Rita Vaughn	Dot Kaster, Des Zammit	YouthWorks!
MUSICIANS	Dingalings	NO Music Mass	Worship Hymn	YouthWorks!
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - First Sunday of the Month				

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 7th / 8th September 2019 [2nd Sunday of the Month - Odd Month]

MINISTRIES	6.00pm	7.30am	8.45am	10.30am
ACOLYTE	Romy Gapud Emmanuel Tabone	Gus Kaster Peter Savea	Noe Adan Mario Picart	Robert Bautista Ferdi 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	Volunteer Required
WELCOMER	Annette Hudson	Claire Blunt Agnes iligan	Volunteer Required	Jerome Chin
MUSICIANS	Hearts	NO Music Mass	Couples For Christ	Dingalings
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Second Sunday of the Month				

Father's Day Blessing

*May God bless all fathers with wisdom, strength, patience and great love.
May all fathers see their children as gifts from God and teach them to hear and follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit.
We pray also that families who have lost a child through death may be comforted and healed by the Holy Spirit.
We also remember today our parents who have died that they enjoy eternal life with our heavenly Father.*

PRAYER OF BLESSING

Loving God, You have given us life and cared for us through our fathers.
We thank you for their lives, their care and the

wisdom they have taught us.
Fill them today, and all days, with your Holy Spirit of wisdom and love.
Help them hear your voice, follow you and teach their children to do the same.
God our Father, bless all the fathers in the world.
Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children.
Help them to be a father like you are.
Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.
May we honour them with profound respect and by living your Gospel.
Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR:

This coming Friday, September 6, in place of our normal holy hour there will be a celebration for all the parish of the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. There are further details about this below. We do encourage parishioners to come along for this very special celebration where we thank God for the gift of Mary as the mother of Jesus and is our spiritual mother.

Come.....Join.....Celebrate.....

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Parishioners are encouraged to participate as we celebrate the birthday of Mary in the evening of the First Friday in September. This has become a wonderful tradition in our parish community and a time where we can recognise the importance of the Blessed Virgin Mary as our God-given helper and our source of coming to know Jesus better to help us to deepen our relationship with him.

★5:45pm Procession ★Holy Rosary ★Flower Offering

★7:00pm Holy Mass (light refreshments to follow afterward).

At Andrew the Apostle Parish Marayong on **Friday 6th September 2019**



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

There will be no Second Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation this coming week on September 7, as we have the Second Rite taking place over the next 2 weekends on Saturday morning for our young people receiving the Sacrament for the first time. Parishioners are invited to participate and make use of the sacrament at this time.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND DYING ONGOING FORMATION: 14 September
The Office for Worship is organising a formation day for those already involved in the ministry, Ministers of Communion to the Sick and the Dying on Saturday 14 September at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown, from 9:30am until 2pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. RSVP by 10 September.

RSVP, please contact the Office for Worship team on anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org or 8838 3456

PLENARY COUNCIL UPDATE PT 2

As we move into this second stage of the Plenary Council journey, we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in July 2019, we are invited to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation in order to discern the answer to this question: How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is a joyful, hope-filled and servant community? The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020.

3. prayerful and EUCHARISTIC

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. There was a call for stronger and more engaging preaching, with an emphasis on the Word of God and connection to daily life, some seeking a uniquely Australian expression of prayer and Eucharistic celebration, drawing from the wisdom and rituals of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and also bringing together the many migrant communities which make up the Church in Australia. There were many divergent expressions of ways in which people and communities encounter God through their experiences of prayer, music and liturgy, and a desire for catechesis, training and formation for those in ministries related to these.

September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 1 Father's Day Appeal 09:30 Sunday School 10:30 Youth Mass 11:45 Baptism	2 08:45 CCD Training Course level 1 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary	3 Saint Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor 09:00 Mass SAP yr2 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:15 Alpha Program	4 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 20:00 Combined Music Practice for The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary	5 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary	6 First Friday 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:45 Parish Audit by Diocese 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 17:45 Procession - Rosary 19:00 Mass for The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 09:00 Mass 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning HIM 10:00 Rosary 16:00 Music Practice Childrens Choir 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 2 08:45 Reconciliation Class 3 08:45 Altar Server Training 09:30 Sunday School	9 08:45 CCD Training Course level 1 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 SVdP Meeting	10 09:00 Mass SAP yr5&6 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:15 Alpha Program 20:00 Music Committee Meeting	11 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass 19:30 Baptism Preparation	12 The Most Holy Name of Mary 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 10:00 Seniors meeting FBC	13 Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 09:30 CCD Annual Mass 11:00 Junior Legion of Mary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:00 Choir Practice HIM	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 7:30 Church Cleaning CFC 09:00 Mass 09:30 FIRST Reconciliation Ceremony 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Rosary 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance 19:00 Prayer Meeting HIM
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 3 08:45 Altar Server Training 08:45 Marriage Blessing 09:30 Sunday School 11:45 Baptism	15 Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs 08:45 CCD Training Course level 1 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:15 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	16 Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor 09:00 Mass SAP yr3 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary 19:15 Alpha Program	17 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	18 Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary	19 Saints Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, and Paul Chong Hasang, and their Companions, Martyrs 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 19:00 Youth Mass & SAYWAT 20:00 HIM Core Meeting	Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist 09:00 Mass 09:30 FIRST Reconciliation Ceremony 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Rosary 10:00 Church Cleaning LOM 16:00 Music Practice ?group 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Counters: Group 4 08:45 Altar Server Training 09:30 Sunday School	22 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina 08:45 CCD Training Course level 1 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 10:00 Mass SAC Graduation yr12 18:00 SAC Graduation Prizegiving 19:00 SVdP Meeting	23 09:00 Mass SAP Kindergarten 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	24 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	25 Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary 14:00 Church Cleaning Group 4 19:30 Music Practice CFC	26 Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest Last day of Term 3 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 20:00 Choir Practice HIM	Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr Saints Laurence Ruiz and his Companions, Martyrs Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 09:00 Mass for the Sick 09:30 Rosary 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Rosary 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance 19:00 Prayer Meeting HIM
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 09:30 Sunday School	29-Sep Saint Jerome Priest, Doctor SCHOOL Holidays 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary	30-Sep Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Legion of Mary	1-Oct The Holy Guardian Angels 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 19:00 Novena & Mass	2-Oct 08:00 Mass 08:30 Rosary	3-Oct Saint Francis of Assisi First Friday 09:00 Mass 09:30 Rosary 16:00 Junior Legion of Mary 19:00 Holy Hour & Mass	Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 09:00 Mass 09:30 Reconciliation 09:40 Jnr Legion of Mary 10:00 Church Cleaning HIM 10:00 Rosary 11:00 PublicRosary 16:00 Music Practice ?group 16:15 Legion of Mary 16:30 Penance