



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.



## 29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please visit our Parish Website: [www.standrewsmarayong.org.au](http://www.standrewsmarayong.org.au) Year A: Vol.45 No.46

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### PARISH STAFF:

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### PRESBYTERY:

41 Breakfast Rd, Marayong

### FR. BYRNE CENTRE:

(Parish Meeting Rooms)  
38 Breakfast Rd, Marayong.

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

- After weekday morning Masses.
- Anytime by arrangement.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Baptisms:** each Sunday by arrangement. Please book for Baptisms with the Parish Office.

### PIETY STALL:

By asking for an appointment at the Parish Office.

MASS   

[@standrewsmarayong](https://www.facebook.com/standrewsmarayong)

Sunday - 9:30am &

Monday to Saturday 9:00am



<https://bit.ly/SAAPM>

~ 90min after conclusion

### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 8.30am,  
9.30 am & 10.30am

### Weekday Masses:

Monday:	9.00am
Tuesday:	9.00am
Wednesday:	9.00am
Novena & Mass:	7.00pm
Thursday:	9.00am
Friday:	9.00am
Saturday:	9.00am

### PARISH SCHOOLS:

#### ST. ANDREW'S PRIMARY

[www.standrewspmarayong.catholic.edu.au](http://www.standrewspmarayong.catholic.edu.au)

Principal: Yvette Baird

Phone: 8869 6700

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#### ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

[www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au](http://www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au)

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#### Campus -

##### JUNIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 7-10)

Address: 116 Quakers Road  
Marayong 2148

##### SENIOR CAMPUS (YRS. 11-12)

Address: 50 Breakfast Road  
Marayong 2148

## ATTENDANCE AT MASS:

For your information – currently the 5 PM Mass reaches capacity. The 6 PM Mass could allow for 20 to 30 more people. The 7:30 AM Mass is usually close to capacity. The 8:30 AM Mass can usually take 20 to 30 more people. The remaining Masses are usually full to capacity.

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE:

As you are aware, we are **limited to 100\* people in the Church** for any liturgical celebration or at any one time.

*\*From September 14, up to 150 people are now allowed to attend a wedding service at a place of public worship.*

**Social distancing** and the 4 square metre per person (**1.5m physical distancing**) requirements are still in place.

## DIRECTIVES:

**All people who are coming into the church are to wear a mask.**

Due to the limit there can be no gathering outside the church before, during or after our services.

To assist staff and volunteers in policing these regulations:

Weekday morning mass - 9.00am Monday to Saturday.

Entry by using the side door for entry to the church and the door behind the choir area for exit.

Sunday Masses:

Entry by using the area behind the choir door to the church and the door near the piety store for exit.

## PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS TO THE CHURCH SAFE.

**Please follow instructions upon entry to the Church.** ❶ If you are unwell, stay home as the dispensation from Sunday Mass is still current. (Live streaming of 9:30am Mass is still available); ❷ Use hand sanitizer; ❸ When entering Church, sign in; ❹ Sit in designated spots and ❺ Keep your distance when lining up for Holy Communion.

*Breach of any of these orders referenced under the Public Health Act is a criminal offence and can attract penalties.*

As has occurred in some parishes, we expect police may conduct random inspections of places of worship for COVID-19 safety compliance.

*From Monsignor Ron ...*

When Jesus ascended into heaven, he left his Church with a seemingly impossible task -- to go out to all nations, to preach the gospel to all people, and to Baptise. The Church at that stage was a few Apostles and some disciples, yet they were incredibly successful in their mission. The key to their success was twofold: the Holy Spirit was able to work through them; he was able to do this because they were the type of people who really lived out what they believed and who accepted this mission that Jesus gave them.

As St Paul tells us they showed their faith in action in that their faith affected every aspect of their lives. They worked for love, so that in all things they did what God wanted and they appreciated the value and worth of each person. They persevered through hope, in that they realized friendship with God was the goal of life; as a result, all within their lives was part of their preparation to live with him forever.

Today the Church has the same mission as when it began. Yet, in many ways, the Church is not having a great impact on society. In fact, as far as practicing the faith is concerned we seem at times to be going backwards. Many people have come up with many reasons for this -- what is interesting is that it is always someone else who is to blame.

I think the answer is very simple: We are the Church. We have this mission from Jesus. Every baptized person, not just the priests and the religious, but each one of us is called to be a missionary of Jesus. We are called to be missionaries through our prayers, by our example in Christian living, and by our active involvement with people.

St Paul praised the people for their efforts at Christian living. Would he praise us? Do we deserve praise for the place we give God in our daily living? Do we deserve praise for our Christian living -- would people see it as a burden to us or as the most important aspect of life? Do we deserve praise for making the things of God more important than anything else? Do we deserve praise for the love we have for each other?

## HOW TO LIVE THE CATHOLIC WAY OF LIFE IN THE 21ST CENTURY?

The RCIA program is a journey into faith and a journey of faith. This program which is conducted in an informal setting is a wonderful opportunity for those not Catholic who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith. It is also an opportunity for those who are baptized Catholics but have a desire to increase their understanding of Christianity and how to live a Christian life.

The journey will commence on Monday evening October 26 at 7:15 PM until 8:15 PM. We encourage those people who are not Catholics and those who are Catholic and who are interested in learning how to live more as a Christian.

It would be very much appreciated if you could contact the parish office in order to allow us to ensure we have sufficient materials available.

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER:		17 <sup>th</sup> / 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2020		[3rd Sunday of the Month - <i>Even Month</i> ]		
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	6.00pm	7.30am	8.30am	9.30am	10.30am
ACOLYTES	Morie Balisban Ferdinand Chin	Ruben Bables Joe Doyle	Ged Oblea Rufino Oblea	Olan Cruz	Charles Hyson Joy Kakodkar	Ike Enriquez
COMMENTATOR	Therrie Chin	Erna Ferrer	Pauline Sultana	Jane Cauchi	Vinetta Lobo	Carmelita Liceralde
FIRST READER	Ralph Vaz	Melville Fernandez	Fely Perez	Perla Billedo	Maria Hyson	Maria Carpio
SECOND READER	Doris Barrios	Edward Yin	Laurinda Atienza	Alicia Cianflone	Elvie Clark	<i>volunteer required</i>
ALTAR SERVERS	Jacob Chin Jerome Chin	<i>volunteers required</i>	Jayden Sultana Taylor Sultana	<i>volunteers required</i>	A & R Hyson M Nguyen	<i>volunteers required</i>
WARDENS	Myles Anderiesz Bill Ebejer Robert Falzon Paul Vella	Spiro Combo Fred Desira Maya Lobo	Spiro Cumbo Suzanne Daniels Jamie Sultana	Paul Battikha	Marianne Parsons	<i>volunteers required</i>
USHERS	Henryka Ogrodniczek Janine Wheeler	Henryka Ogrodniczek Janine Wheeler	Claire Blunt Anthony Culbert	<i>volunteers required</i>	<i>volunteers required</i>	Maricor Espinosa Peter Maw
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION - Third Sunday of the Month						

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER:		24 <sup>th</sup> / 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2020		[4th Sunday of the Month - <i>Even Month</i> ]		
MINISTRIES	5.00pm	6.00pm	7.30am	8.30am	9.30am	10.30am
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Ferdinand Chin Ike Enriquez	Joe Doyle Romy Gapud	<b>Gus Kaster</b> Candido Velasco	Morie Balisbisan	Charles Hyson Joy Kakodkar	Noe Adan Edward Yuliardhyanto
<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	Therrie Chin	Nenette Gapud	Claire Blunt	Derica Elogious	Vinetta Lobo	Peter Maw
<b>FIRST READER</b>	Ralph Vaz	Melville Fernandez	Perla Billedo	Felix Villamarin	Maria Hyson	Joyce Vincent
<b>SECOND READER</b>	Myra Estrera	Doris Barrios	Nila Mangona	Lydia Villamarin	Elvie Clark	Socorro Amos
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Jacob Chin Jerome Chin	<i>volunteers required</i>	<i>volunteers required</i>	<i>volunteers required</i>	A & R Hyson M Nguyen	<i>volunteers required</i>
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<b>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</b> - Fourth Sunday of the Month						

## PRAYER



O God, Trinity of love, from the profound communion of your divine life, pour out upon us a torrent of fraternal love. Grant us the love reflected in the actions of Jesus, in his family of Nazareth, and in the early Christian community.

Grant that we Christians may live the Gospel, discovering Christ in each human being, recognizing him crucified in the sufferings of the abandoned and forgotten of our world, and risen in each brother or sister who makes a new start.

Come, Holy Spirit, show us your beauty, reflected in all the peoples of the earth, so that we may discover anew that all are important and all are necessary, different faces of the one humanity that God so loves. Amen.

*Pope Francis*

## GETTING ALONG WITH OTHERS

1. Watch your thoughts. Think about what you're thinking about. I often think things about other people, judging them, without even realizing it. I'm going to work on paying more attention to my thoughts and do my best to push them in a non-judgmental, more accepting direction.
2. Look for the positive. Not accepting others is a result of seeing the negative in them. Instead of focusing on why someone is different, I'm going to focus on what's good about that person and his/her choices and actions. My way is not always the best one.
3. Avoid right/wrong dichotomies. It's very tempting to see the world in black and white with a right and wrong way to do things, but that's just not how it is. Things don't have to be right or wrong if I choose to accept them as they are. I'm going to stop labeling my way as "right."
4. Stop judging yourself. Our judgments of others are often a result of our personal criticisms. If I stop putting pressure on myself to do things the "right" way, I'll also stop putting pressure on others as well. Not judging myself or others is a crucial step to acceptance.
5. Focus on the now. A lack of acceptance can generate from comparing things to the past. I'm not going to think about what happened before and try to live accordingly; I'm going to think about now. Comparing things to the past always hinders an acceptance of what is. Reverse the situation. I ask myself: What if someone were judging me and not accepting me? How would I feel? I'll keep these questions in mind the next time I'm not accepting others. I will imagine someone constantly telling me to slow down (and how annoying that would be!).

*[Apple Seeds]*



### MASS READINGS -YEAR A

#### THIS SUNDAY:

#### **29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6  
Psalm: Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10  
2nd Reading: Thessalonians 1:1-5  
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

#### NEXT SUNDAY:

#### **30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26  
Psalm: Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51  
Second Reading: 1 Thes 1:5-10  
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

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

## REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

- 1 Assistance is required for ushers and taking the temperature of parishioners attending Mass at 9:00am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 6:00pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday.
- 2 Assistance also require with Baptism preparation on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm to enable more personal contact with our new parents.

## Sunday

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### **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Counters: Group 3

*Marriage Blessings*

**07:30** Mass

**08:30** Mass

**09:30** Mass - live stream

**10:30** Mass

**11:45** Baptism

## Monday

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*Monday of week 29  
in Ordinary Time*

Saints John de Brébeuf and  
and Isaac Jogues, priests, and  
their Companions, Martyrs,  
Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest

**09:00** Mass - live stream

**18:30** Confirmation ceremony

## Tuesday

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*Tuesday of week 29  
in Ordinary Time*

**09:00** Mass - live stream

**18:30** Confirmation ceremony

## Wednesday

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*Wednesday of week 29  
in Ordinary Time*

**09:00** Mass - live stream

**19:00** Novena & Mass

## Thursday

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*Thursday of week 29  
in Ordinary Time*

Saint John Paul II, Pope

**09:00** Mass - live stream

**14:00** Church Cleaning - Group 4

## Friday

23

*Friday of week 29  
in Ordinary Time*

Saint John of  
Capistrano, Priest

**09:00** Mass - live stream

## Saturday

24

*Saturday of week 29  
in Ordinary Time*

Saint Antony Mary  
Claret, Bishop,

*Saturday memorial of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary*

**09:00** Mass - live stream

**17:00** Mass

**18:00** Mass





## Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary in October

We encourage families to pray the rosary and for individuals make a special effort with this wonderful prayer during the month of October, a special time when we praise God for he has done in and through Mary and a time where we seek the guidance of Mary to become more like Jesus.

In this prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary, we ask the Virgin Mary to help us to cultivate a habit of interior prayer through the daily recitation of the rosary. This is the object of all of our prayers: to arrive at the point where we can "pray without ceasing," as Saint Paul tells us to do.



### Everyone is invited to visit the Well –

"a new online platform that provides free, 'on-demand' inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities." - Check it out at [www.thewell.org.au](http://www.thewell.org.au)

Use the resources and share it amongst your family and friends. We encourage your feedback and any ideas of what you might like to see on the Well to support growth in faith for you, your families and your communities.

or [read about the well in catholic outlook](#) or preview <https://tinyurl.com/thewellparramatta>

## CATHOLIC YOUTH PARRAMATTA ENGAGING YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEW WAYS

Catholic Youth Parramatta has established a dynamic schedule of networking opportunities, formation and resources to support ministry and engagement with young people of the Diocese in new ways. From inspiring quotes and scripture references on Mondays, to faith-filled live performances on Wednesday to launching new home-grown resources on Friday.

Check out CYP's Facebook and Instagram pages and <https://www.parracatholic.org/cyp/> to download and share the resources.

### SPECIAL EVENT FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

***This has been a 12 months like no other. Just ask our Year 12's. No doubt they'll be remembered for their resilience and perseverance.***

We invite our Year 12's to the HSC 2020 LIFTED Special with Bishop Vincent. This 25 minute encounter will be broadcast from the [Catholic Youth Parramatta Facebook page](#) and shared on [St Andrew's page](#).

***Tune in on Sunday 18 October from 8pm.***



## NOVEMBER MASSES FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

November is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on November 2 and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.

During the month of November Masses are prayed for the faithful departed. The names of these people for whom Masses are requested are placed on the wall of the Church. November Mass Offering Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church. The usual offering is \$20.

*You are requested to print the name of the deceased so that it will be easily read.*

**During the week prayers have been requested for.....**Arsenia Arnaldo, Rodelio Arranz, Philip Berry, Ken Clemente, Patricia (Pat) de Groen, Vicente Elaura, Alejandra Esponosa, Guy- Denis & Edna Farla, Gloria Fortu, Reynaldo Girado, Carmen Indolos, Dominga S. Llesis, Rafael & Consuelo Mangona, Rufino Mantua, David Martin, Zenaida Masocol, Clarita Ponce Napoles, John O'Brien, Emelita Palma, Letty Simbol, Alina Santo Tomas Smith, Benjamin Soller, Peter Vaughn, ictor & Maryanne Vella, Aeldred & Riolene Weber, Maurice Willis, Stella & Felic Zammit, Benjamin, Mamerta, Edwardo, Camilleri Family, Mercieca, Muscat, Dunlop, O'Briens & Girlfriends Families, Collins & Quinn Families, All Souls in Purgatory

*.....Please remember in your prayers*