

WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE 24TH MARCH 2013



All that's going on around St Andrew's

FROM THE EXECUTIVE PASTOR

Dear St Andrew's,

To the right is a letter recently received from Tim Costello, CEO of World Vision Australia thanking St Andrew's for our 2012 Gift Day donation to the Warlpiri Early Childhood Care and Development Project.

A major tenet of our 2020 Vision is to show generosity and love to our local community and beyond. Therefore, it is so encouraging to learn of the difference we can make by responding to the Gospel through our generosity.

As most of you will know, our intention is to establish a longer-term partnership with this Indigenous project. In time we are hoping to have a greater involvement with this project that will go beyond providing financial support. How this will unfold is still being developed, so stay tuned.

Blessings,

Santino



28 February 2013 Dear John,

I am writing to thank St Andrew's Church for the wonderful generosity displayed to World Vision and other organisations through your recent Foundation Day Services and offering.

The extraordinary gift of \$53,610 towards our Australia Programs Warlpiri Early Childhood Care and Development Project is much appreciated.

As you are aware, access to quality early childhood care and education is an important first step in establishing positive lifelong outcomes for children. However, educational opportunities in Indigenous communities still lag behind those experienced by non-Indigenous Australians.

Your support is assisting World Vision, in partnership with Warlpiri communities in the Northern Territory, to design programs which will improve the health and well-being of children aged up to five years. This early intervention program is working with parents, carers, and other groups to build a strong foundation for Warlpiri children to reach their social, intellectual, spiritual and physical potential.

Please extend my deep thanks to all members and friends of St Andrew's Church for your generous partnership in the gospel demonstrated through this project.

Yours sincerely

Tim Costello CEO World Vision

COMMUNITY WATCH

THIS WEEK

Middle Eastern Feast

Thu 28th Mar Cost \$25, BYO Drinks, Church Hall. Contact: david.morris@standrews.net.au

⊘ Good Friday

Fri 29th Mar

Please note two morning services only: 8.30am (Traditional with kids' ministry) and 10am (Contemporary with kids' ministry).

SEaster Sunday

Sun 31st Mar Usual four service times over the whole day.

OTHER

⊘ Mary Andrew's College Women's Event

Oasis Conference – Caring Across Cultures Fri 21st Jun – Sun 23rd Jun Collaroy Conference Centre

Main speakers are Jude Long (Principal of Nungalinya College in Darwin) and Liz McCoy (former Mary Andrew's College Lecturer).

Also, Kate Clark, Lisa Champion, Sally Manion and Trish Bell from our 5pm congregation will lead 4 of the 10 workshops.

Details www.oasis.org.au or Contact Meredith Hatcher 0403 154 160.

PLEASE PRAY

• Churchwide Prayer

Please continue to pray that God's comforting love and peace will be with the Nott family and that he will enable them to trust and hope in him during this difficult time.

Pray for Mark and Rochelle Groombridge as they await results following Rochelle's surgery for melanoma last week. Ask God to remove all threat from this disease and to help the family trust him in everything.

Please pray for the St Andrew's Property Redevelopment Committee, chaired by Philip Bell from our 5pm congregation. Pray for God's wisdom and leading in the overall process of finalising the plans.

Pray for God's grace and strength for John Dickson as he speaks in Germany this week and for safety as he returns home on Thursday. Continue to pray for Buff and the family in his absence.

8.30am Prayer

Pray for the family of Madge Hill-Griffiths who died last Wednesday, a faithful member of our congregation for many years.

A Memorial Service will be held at St Stephen's Anglican Church Willoughby, next Tuesday the 26th at 10:45am.

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COMMUNITY WATCH

10am Prayer

Thank God for Jenny Jessup's improvement following her surgery and pray that as she returns home this week, she will continue to recover fully.

Please pray for members of our church who are looking for work – that God would provide for them and grant them patient trust and perseverance.

Gill Mau will be delivering her baby via Caesarean-section on Monday the 25th. Please pray for all to go as planned and that she and husband James will rejoice in the birth of their new child.

Please pray for Margaret Green, who is in rehabilitation from a broken elbow.

5 5pm Prayer

Pray for Lowen Sutton's father David in his recovery after hip surgery – that the complications of last week will be resolved and that God would renew healing and strength and draw David to know his love.

St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for David Morris and Ivo Porfiri as they administer Community for Good – seeking to help those in our community, our neighbours, the elderly or the lonely with either physical or emotional needs. Help us to look out for

those in our local community who could benefit from this ministry.

Other

Pray for Archbishop Peter Jensen and Bishop Glenn Davies in carrying out their Pastoral oversights, give them Godly wisdom and understanding for the many decisions they are called upon to make.

Pray for our former Assistant Minister, Peter Smith and wife Shelley, now Senior Minister at St Lawrence's, Dalkeith in the Diocese of Perth. May that church stand out strongly for the truth of the gospel and bring many to an understanding of Jesus as Lord and Saviour.

OPEN HOUSE

♦ Sundays 8:00 pm on Hope 103.2FM hosted by Leigh Hatcher

An important conversation about Australia's growing problem with alcohol and binge drinking and the shocking statistics.

Remembering Sophie Newton – the amazing courage of one inspiring Australian missionary who made a real difference to China.

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All that our missionaries do in and around their communities

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as they work on a solution to help in this problem. Part of our support is used to pay hospital bills for clergy and their dependants. Pray for the members of the Mother's Union, the majority of whom live in impoverished circumstances and who mostly have not had formal education. The MU Secretary is committed to unlocking the potential of disadvantaged communities by providing the opportunity for members to enrich and improve their lives and those of their families.

BISHOP MASIMANGO KATANDA

♦ Kindu, Democratic Republic of the Congo

The Bishop is grateful that security in Kindu is improved and travel is safer. This has allowed him to carry out pastoral work and confirmations which is encouraging.

The Bishop is also encouraged by our continuing financial support and prayers for the Bible School and the Diocese.

Pray for the pastors who are not paid and who live by the foods collected by faithful parishioners, who themselves do not have paid jobs or businesses. The pastors have difficulty in sending their children to school because they do not have a salary. Pray for the Diocese

All the good things that the bible teaches us

SERMON NOTES

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BIBLE STUDY NOTES

SERIES STATEMENT

The purpose of this series isn't to make us attend more church services in 2013. It is to help us see that, despite the sins and pretences of church through history and today, there are good reasons to be devoted to the St Andrew's community.

For 100 years we have shone the light of Christ in Roseville and beyond. And this year we will be laying the groundwork—both metaphorically and concretely—for a new century of ministry in our region. This will require renewed humility, vision, prayerfulness, trust and power through God's Spirit, as we seek to embody Jesus' mission: "I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it." This week we are considering how it is that Jesus will build his Church: through the gifts he gives us as individuals to use for his service.

PLEASE READ ROMANS 14

 Can you think of examples of disputable matters that could cause conflict among the church community?

- 2. Verse 1: How would you define "the one who is weak in faith"?
- 3. Verses 3-11: What four reasons are there to accept the weaker brother or sister?
- 4. Verse 2, 5-6: How can a specific behaviour be both right for some people and wrong for others at the same time?
- 5. Verse 15: How can an abuse of freedom "destroy" someone's faith?
- 6. What principle does Paul encourage for dealing with such disputable matters?
- 7. Is St Andrew's in danger more from legalism or lawlessness? Why?

In your small group, please pray for Bishop Masimango and the Diocese of Kindu (refer to the Mission & Aid section on page 4 for praise and prayer points)

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