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**IN PRAYER**  
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**WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE**  
**11TH AUGUST 2013**

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*Believes*  
**IN NEWS**

*All that's going on  
around St Andrew's*

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# FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER

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## REV JOHN DICKSON

Welcome to week two of our series exploring why Jesus is widely regarded as “the most important figure in history.”

I will never forget my first debate with a public advocate for Islam. It was a clarifying evening for all who came – for Christians, Muslims and agnostics – and for me as well. The discussion was respectful and warm but the contest of ideas was real.

The most interesting moment was when I asked my conversation partner, Diaa, where in

the Quran it is taught that God loves even those who oppose him. I had read the Islamic texts in detail and knew that Allah loved those who obeyed him but I was curious to know if there was something I missed about the divine compassion for the sinner and rebel.

Diaa’s answer genuinely surprised me. “Of course not, John. Are you telling me the Christian Bible says God loves even those who hate him?” Every Muslim in the audience took it as a fair rebuttal. Every Christian was as shocked as I was. The ‘undecideds’ looked at me for a response.

As carefully as I could, I explained that the central message of the New Testament was that God loved even those opposed to him and sent Jesus into the world to woo the rebel, to die for the undeserving. “God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (Romans 5:8).

Diaa and his friends objected to my explanation and genuinely found it illogical. In a way, I guess it is. If it is true, however, it is the best news ever told. And this is what today’s Bible reading, and guest speaker Ian Powell’s message, are all about.

God bless,

John Dickson

*All the good things  
that the bible teaches us*

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# TODAY'S BIBLE READING

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## 🕒 **John 3:14-21**

<sup>14</sup> Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.”

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

<sup>18</sup> Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

<sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.

<sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed.

<sup>21</sup> But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## NEXT SUNDAY

### 🕒 **Music For The Soul**

Sun 18th Aug – 2.00pm  
In the Church

A celebration of St Andrew's Roseville Centenary. Free admission; donations accepted towards Anglicare Early Intervention Program.

## FOR THE DIARY

### 🕒 **Clanville Cup**

Sun 8th Sep – 12:30pm to 3:30pm

A great community event of touch football held at Clanville Oval. Set the date aside – more details to come next week. To register your interest or find out more, please send an email to [clanvillecup@standrews.net.au](mailto:clanvillecup@standrews.net.au)

### 🕒 **Life of Jesus**

New course starting early September. Contact the Church Office for more details or to confirm your attendance (02 9412 2553).

### 🕒 **Parish Centenary Dinner**

Sat 7th Dec – 6.30pm  
Roseville Golf Club

## PLEASE PRAY

### 🕒 **Churchwide Prayer**

Praise God for the election of our new Archbishop Glen Davies. Pray for Glen as he begins this new role. Pray for God's strengthening grace each day for both Glen and his wife Di – that they give humble and powerful testimony to Christ and that God would grant growth and renewal throughout the diocese.

Pray for the *Music for the Soul* outreach event next Sunday – that all the plans and preparations will run smoothly and that the afternoon will be a great success.

Pray for Jeremy and Mim Morris as Jeremy plans to enrol at Moore College in 2014.

Pray for our nation in the lead-up to the federal election; that leaders would develop and uphold policies of integrity, compassion and vision and that God would direct the election of our future Prime Minister.

### 🕒 **8.30am Prayer**

Pray for Allan Bryson and the extended family in their great sadness following Elsie's death. Praise God for their wonderful marriage, family and lives of faith.

### 🕒 10am Prayer

Please pray for Sean and Natalie Ryan's daughter Lucy following cochlear implant surgery. Pray for the success of the implant and that she adapts well to her improved hearing.

Pray for Jackson and Mary-Ellen Roger's daughter Amity after burning her hand – that she would heal to full function and not require a skin graft.

Please pray for Charles and Jane Moore's sister-in-law, Michelle recently diagnosed with Motor Neurone disease. Pray for Michelle and Peter and their two young children during this extremely difficult period. Pray that God's mercy will be shown to them in the management and progress of the disease.

### 🕒 5pm Prayer

Please pray for the Whalley family in their grief following the death of Ali's mother.

Pray for Jill Hoogenstein's mother, Joan Cliff, who after a recent hip replacement is having surgery for bowel cancer this week. Pray for complete healing and a strong recovery.

### 🕒 7pm Prayer

Please pray for Adrian Perry having surgery to his leg on Wednesday.

Pray for Phoebe Donovan as she prepares to leave for the US to study and train. Pray that God will provide for her in every way and lead her to a great church. Pray for her in farewells and for those she leaves behind.

### 🕒 St Andrew's Ministries

Remember to pray for the Wardens and Parish Council as they continue to work towards matters on the agenda, especially those concerning the celebrations of the Centenary this year; that it will glorify God as we rejoice in what he has done for us over the many years as a Parish.

Pray for Jane Clifford and those who help with the ESL Classes each week. May the classes be of great benefit to those attending and may it provide opportunity.

## OPEN HOUSE

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

Leigh goes one-on-one with the new Sydney Anglican Archbishop elect, Dr. Glenn Davies. C.S. Lewis' biographer Alister McGrath about the legendary author, thinker and communicator.

*All that our missionaries  
do in and around their communities*

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# MISSION & AID

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## EAGLE VALE PARISH

### ➔ **Southwestern Sydney**

Pray for the Rev Craig and Mrs Hooper in the Parish of Eagle Vale in Sydney's south west.

Please give thanks for:

- ➔ Year 7 and 8 Scripture beginning in Eagle Vale High this term, perhaps for the first time ever.
- ➔ A Women's evangelistic Bible study has begun in Claymore this week. It is being called a "Jesus life group"
- ➔ More contacts are being made in Claymore through lawn mowing.
- ➔ The continued growth in Youth ministry and the wonderful mix and integration of youth from a wide variety of backgrounds.

(At the Youth group on Friday night there are people from 8 different High Schools).

- ➔ The mission week coming up in September (22<sup>nd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>) in partnership with Minto Anglican and students from Sydney Missionary and Bible College.

Please pray for:

- ➔ Much fruit to be born for the Lord from Scripture in Eagle Vale High, the Jesus life group and Mission week in September.
- ➔ The members of the congregation to be always living by faith day-by-day, keeping their eyes focused on Jesus.
- ➔ The Church to have a positive impact on the community.



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## FINANCIAL SUPPORT DETAILS

### ☛ Supporting the General Ministry

To support the general work of St Andrew's, electronic banking details for regular direct credit are:

**Anglican Parish St Andrew's**  
**BSB 704 998**  
**A/C 100 005 413**

*This is our preferred method to receive your regular support.*  
There is a gifts and donations box attached to the church's rear pew if you prefer to make cash/cheque contributions.

### ☛ Supporting the Property Redevelopment

To support the St Andrew's Property Development, **tax-deductible** contributions can be made to the following account:

**St Andrew's Anglican Church Roseville Donation Fund**  
**BSB 704 998**  
**A/C 100 010 195**

Please include your surname and the initials "PV" (for Property Vision) in the reference field.

Donations by cheque should be made to St Andrew's Roseville Donation Fund.

Please mark the envelope with your surname and "PV".

A receipt for tax purposes will be forwarded to you upon receiving your electronic or cheque donation.

If you would like to support the Property Redevelopment but **do not** require a tax deduction, please contact Santino Dimarco for specific instructions: [santino.dimarco@standrews.net.au](mailto:santino.dimarco@standrews.net.au)

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