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**WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE**  
**8TH JUNE 2014**

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**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

### ☛ Senior Minister

Dear St Andrew's,

This Sunday is Pentecost or Whitsunday (probably from the 'white'—the colour of the robes worn by the many who choose to get baptised on this day). Of course, the day commemorates the gift of the Holy Spirit which came upon the first disciples seven weeks after the Resurrection. On that day, the apostle Peter declared to the Jerusalem crowd (who wondered whether those filled with the Spirit were drunk!):

“Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: ‘In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy’ ...

Exalted to the right hand of God, Jesus has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah” (Acts 2:14-18).

All believers have a share in the Holy Spirit who enlightens us to know God's will, empowers us to walk in his ways, and gifts us to serve each other and the world, to *prophesy* to the world the wonders of God's grace (“prophesy” here means to ‘tell forth’ not ‘foretell’). In other words, God's Spirit enlivens us to be all that the Lord wants us to be. And

this Sunday we pray that this would be true in a renewed sense.

This answers a question that many have asked since last Sunday's sermon about David and Goliath. The narrative of 1 Samuel 16-17 reminds us that God brings his powerful purposes out of seeming weakness through his Messiah (David and, of course, Jesus). But the text also urges us, like David, not to trust in "sword and spear and javelin" but "in the name of the Lord Almighty". God asks each one of us, despite our feelings of inadequacy and impotence, to step up, rush to the battle line, and move beyond the borders of the plausible and respectable. Many of you have rightly asked, "But what does that mean? And how do we do it?"

I think it at least means living with a daily expectation that God will use you for his purposes. It means taking a few more risks at home, or work, or uni to speak up for Christ, to invite others to church, to promote the name of the Lord Almighty, even if you look silly in the process. I think it means giving more generously to the work of the gospel, even if commentators speak of hard times ahead. 'Market confidence' must not define Christian confidence. For some in our church, I genuinely think it means stepping out in faith to go into full time Christian ministry, whether

here or overseas. I look around at the godly 'talent' in our church and sometimes lament the way most of the best people rarely stop to imagine themselves in paid Christian work. I know it's not for everyone but I reckon it might be for some—and *I could name you!*

Ultimately, none of these things can be achieved by pulling ourselves up by our boot straps. It must be a work of God, or it is merely 'trying harder'—which is not a Christian approach to things. This brings me back to Pentecost and the gift of the Spirit. Will you join me and the staff as we pray earnestly for St Andrew's Roseville that the Lord would do something wonderful in our midst by granting us fresh measures of the Spirit to enliven us to live for his glory in Roseville and beyond. As I said in my sermon last week, if God's work is in God's hands—as surely it is—it is entirely *unreasonable* for us to expect that his work will always look plausible and respectable.

Happy Pentecost!

God bless,

John

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## THIS WEEK

### 🕒 **World Cup Aussie Fry-Up**

Sat 14th Jun - 7:30am at Church.  
Come to watch Australia in their first game vs  
Chile in the Football World Cup.  
Men, women and children are all welcome.  
BBQ breakfast provided.  
RSVP to [mat.t.stedman@standrews.net.au](mailto:mat.t.stedman@standrews.net.au)

## FOR THE DIARY

### 🕒 **Church-wide Prayer Meeting**

Wed 18th Jun - 7:30pm - 8:30pm  
In the Church

### 🕒 **Praying for Muslims during Ramadan**

Sat 28th Jun - Sun 27th Jul

For many years the *30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World* booklet has been helping Christians pray with insight for Muslims during the 30 days of Ramadan.

Written by Christians with a passionate love for Muslims, it shares insights on different groups of Islamic believers around the world, stories, photos and statistics, so we can pray daily – with love.

Available for \$5 from the display cupboard at the back of church or from Harry Cotter.

## COMMUNITY COLLECTION SUNDAY

Thank you to all who helped with this year's Anglicare Community Collection Sunday.

Across all of the churches involved in our local, approximately 14 tonnes of food was collected; a 50% increase on last year's collection and an extra 3 tonne truck's worth of food.

Anglicare's Mt Druitt warehouse was almost empty so the collection has come at just the right time. They are very grateful for the donations.



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## PLEASE PRAY

### ☛ Churchwide Prayer

Please pray for the marriages of St Andrews that they will be godly, faithful and loving relationships that show God's grace and look to him in everything.

### ☛ 10am Prayer

Please pray for Mary Fenner following wrist surgery; that God will use this time of rehab to deepen her faith.

Pray for Ruth Williams, Oscar and Elliot as they relocate in the UK; that God will provide for their needs of church and school, and lead them to trust him for all their needs.

Please pray for Sarah Golsby-Smith awaiting the birth of her baby very soon. Pray for a safe delivery for mother and baby, and for Jonathan and the family as they adjust to a newborn.

### ☛ 5pm Prayer

Please pray for the success of neurosurgery for Kate Clark's father this week and for his recovery.

### ☛ St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for the ESL Group that meets each week lead by Jane Clifford and her team of faithful helpers. Thank God for those who come to

learn to converse in English and pray that they will also learn about the God who loves them through the example and witness of the leaders.

### ☛ Other

Please uphold in prayer Archbishop Glenn Davies and Bishop Chris Edwards in their leadership of the Diocese and our Area Deanery. Give them wisdom in the many decisions they have before them; that they might be faithful pastors of their people. Pray that they will have a close walk with God and a firm trust in his guidance day by day, as they make difficult decisions and prepare for many speaking engagements.



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## ST ANDREW'S MINISTRY UPDATE

### 🕒 **Small Groups**

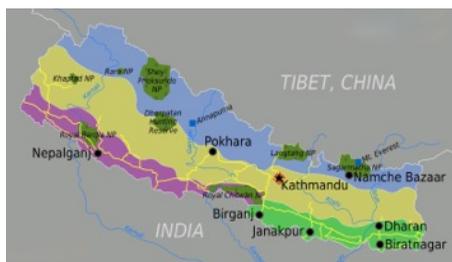
Small Groups are a vital part of our community at St Andrew's. We have 33 groups with over 350 participants, which is about 60% of regular attenders. Most of these groups meet weekly, but a number meet fortnightly, and one even monthly.

The popularity and value of these groups is found not only in the study of the Bible, but also the genuine care and concern the members of the groups have for one another.

Part of the joy of the Christian life is working out how the Bible applies to our lives in conversation with others. Small groups provide the perfect platform for this type of discussion. Just the other day we heard one group was still talking till 1am in the morning! (not the norm – we assure you)

No one in a small group regrets joining one. So if you've been thinking about it, can we encourage you to take the plunge? Why not just try one out for a couple of weeks? For more information about Small Groups please contact [matt.stedman@standrews.net.au](mailto:matt.stedman@standrews.net.au)

## UPDATE ON ROHAN AND ALEX BARWICK



### 🕒 **In Nepal with INF**

Pray for Alex (nee Clark) and Rohan Barwick, with their two young daughters Olive and June. The Barwicks have taken long-service leave for 12 months to serve with INF (International Nepal Fellowship) in Nepal. Alex attended St. Andrew's Roseville until she and Rohan were married.

Praise God for keeping the Barwicks healthy and safe while travelling throughout Nepal.

Pray for INF's field staff working in remote areas, who regularly climb steep mountains to work with poor communities and encourage new churches.

Praise God that Alex and Rohan's house in Alice Springs is being repaired following a fire and for the support they've received while being so far away.

*Words you'll need for  
today's contemporary services*

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# CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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## CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have strayed from your ways  
like lost sheep,  
We have left undone  
what we ought to have done,  
and we have done  
what we ought not to have done.  
We have followed our own ways  
and the desires of our own hearts.  
We have broken your holy laws.  
Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us;  
restore those who turn to you,  
according to your promises declared  
to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
And grant, merciful Father,  
for his sake,  
that we may live a godly  
and obedient life,  
to the glory of your holy name.  
Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory, are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

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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.*

If you prefer to make cash/cheque contributions, there is a gifts and donations box attached to the church's rear pew.

## ➤ 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:  
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