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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE
14TH SEPTEMBER 2014

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IN NEWS

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

FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER



REV JOHN DICKSON

☛ Senior Minister

Dear St Andrew's,

Two related matters this week.

What a wonderful result to raise over \$25,000 at the drop-of-a-hat in response to the Archbishop's appeal for the persecuted and imperiled Christians of Iraq and those without food and water in South Sudan. I'm sure some others of you gave directly to AnglicanAid and other worthy agencies supporting these areas, but it is wonderful to give together via our own St Andrew's Donation Fund and be reminded

of the spirit of generosity God keeps pouring out on this place. We never want to boast of such things, of course, but as Paul says of his efforts among the Corinthians when raising funds for the poor of Judea in the AD 50s:

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you.

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
(2 Corinthians 9:12-15)

Thank you so much, St Andrew's, and praise God!

I hope I am not changing gears too awkwardly to ask you to consider also responding to the shortfall in our 2014 church budget. We try not to talk about this stuff much, but I do have to point out again that we are now \$40,000 behind, as of the end of August.

75% of the general budget (i.e., what isn't given to outside mission and aid) goes to staff salaries. We are scrupulous with what remains

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for operating costs. So, the reality is: your weekly/monthly gifts are how St Andrew's runs.

There are all sorts of reasons we might have taken our eyes off our general contributions to church:

it is not as 'pressing' as the needs of our brothers and sisters elsewhere in the world;

the leadership probably doesn't talk enough about money, and the fact that our three contemporary services don't take up a weekly public collection means that this aspect of worship is out of sight, out of mind;

some don't realise that Anglican 'head office' pays for none of our costs (rather, we contribute to head office);

others are perhaps saving up their über-generosity for the building project;

still others have only joined us recently and—because we don't have a public collection—perhaps simply don't know how to give regularly to St Andrew's.

Whatever the reasons for the current shortfall, the Parish Council and treasurer (Santino) will need to assess the levels of giving over the next two months so that we can make responsible decisions in the 2015 budget.

In our nearly 600-strong community, there is more than enough money to prosper the work here. And there's no doubt you have, as Paul would put it, "proved yourselves" abundantly generous. In the end, it comes down to how you choose to direct your generosity. St Andrew's Roseville is your church. You get to decide what happens. I am very comfortable with that.

Thank you for all that you do in Christ's name.

God bless,

John

For details of how to financially support the General Ministry of St Andrews, please see the back page of this news-sheet.

PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Merciful God, it is by your gift alone that your faithful people offer you true and acceptable service; grant that we may so faithfully serve you in this life that we fail not finally to obtain your heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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COMMUNITY WATCH

THIS WEEK

☛ St Andrew's Picnic Day

Sun 14th Sep from 12noon
Roseville Park, Clanville Rd
(on and around the oval)
BYO Family Picnic.

If weather seems doubtful, there will be a notice on the home page of the church website confirming whether the picnic is proceeding.

For more details contact
office@standrews.net.au

☛ Church-Wide Prayer Meeting

Wed 17th Sep 7:30pm - 8:30pm
In the Church

☛ Drinks with staff

Thurs 18th Sep 5:30pm - 6:30pm
In the Kelman room

FOR THE DIARY

☛ St Andrew's Boutique Op Shop

Sat 20th Sep 10am to 2pm
Church Hall - \$5 donation on entry

Coordinated by the 7pm congregation to raise money for Anglicare. Come and have a browse through clothing and shoes, stay for a coffee and grab a bargain.

Clothing donations can be given to Suz Gorham or to the office by Fri 19th Sep.

For more details contact
suz.gorham@standrews.net.au

☛ Time Out – Outing to Hyde Park Barracks

Friday 26 September 2014

Join us for a visit to the convict-built Hyde Park Barracks, now a World Heritage site. A guided tour is available at 11.30 am.

Meet at 11.15 am at the gates on Macquarie Street, opposite Queens Square.

Admission to the Barracks is \$10 or \$5 concession/child. The Café serves light meals.

Please join us and consider inviting a friend or neighbour.

Enquires to Richard Tress (9416 6416) or Marilyn Moulton (9449 5822)

☛ Property Vision Bush Dance Fundraiser

Sat 18th Oct (late afternoon / early evening)
Family friendly incl BBQ in the Church Hall
Set the date aside - more details to come!

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COMMUNITY WATCH

PLEASE PRAY

🕒 Church-wide Prayer

Many of our people are experiencing unemployment and job uncertainty and seeking work at present. Please pray for God's provision for their needs and that he would strengthen their trust in his care and good purposes in their lives. Grant them patience, perseverance and peace during the challenging times.

Pray for the families in our congregations who are supporting and caring for ageing parents and other family members; seeking permanent care places or grieving at the decline in health of their loved ones. May God comfort and provide for them and strengthen them with compassion and wisdom.

Pray for James Smith and Keziah visiting the UK. Pray for James' father Brian as he seeks wise medical decisions about treatment for his heart problems and prostate cancer.

This week is Marriage Week in Australia - please pray that the marriages in this church remain faithful, loving and honouring to God and that couples would seek to model Christ in their homes and families and be thankful for one another.

🕒 10am Prayer

Please pray that Wanda Sams settles well into Wesley Aged Care Facility in Belrose to continue her rehabilitation after her fall. Pray for ongoing improvement in mobility and pain and that she will remain confident in God's great love for her.

🕒 St Andrew's Ministries

Thank God for the REVIVE youth community and the work of Mike Hastie and the youth leadership team. Pray for the Year 6's who joined JNR youth (year 6-9) on Friday and move into youth church on Sundays. Pray for the Year 12's who are leaving; thank God for the SNR "Formal" held on Friday, for those who helped cook and decorate and for those who have invested in the lives of these young people over many years.

Remember to pray for our Music Ministry and for those who work hard to enrich our services week by week. Pray that they will be blessed as they serve us in this way.

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

MISSION & AID

EAGLE VALE ANGLICAN CHURCH



🕊️ Eagle Vale Anglican in SW Sydney

Rev Craig Hooper with his wife Sandra ministering in the parish of Eagle Vale.

Give thanks for the:

- beginning of a SUPA Club at Kearns Public School. This is a lunch time group for Year 5 and 6 students. Praise God for the students that are coming and are asking great questions about God, life and the Bible.
- work of CAHSM (Campbelltown Area High School Ministry) Scripture Board, (Simon our Youth and Young Adults Pastor, works with, them two days/week). There are three teachers who work with this Board, and there is now a lot more Scripture happening in High Schools in the Campbelltown area than ever before.

- two recent courses held: *Christianity Explored* and the *Life Issues* series that looked at topics of the gospel and social justice; marriage; fatherlessness, and how to use our voices.

Please pray for:

- Parish Council and Wardens as they make final decisions over the next week regarding Future Directions for the Church. Over the last few months the whole Church has been thinking and praying about this.
- the upcoming *Mission and Vision* series beginning in mid October, where these Future Directions will be pivotal. Pray that it will be effective in furthering God's work in our area and beyond.
- the ongoing effectiveness of lunch time groups and Scripture in local primary and high schools; that more students are converted and start attending local churches.
- the ongoing impact of the *Christianity Explored* course and *Life Issues* series.
- the relocation of demountables to the Eagle Vale site, to be completed as soon as possible, to increase capacity for ministry.

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

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

CONFESSION

Merciful God, our maker
and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed:
we have not loved you
with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours
as ourselves;
we are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey
you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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 Redevelopment, **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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