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**WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE
20TH DECEMBER 2015**

FINAL 2015 EDITION

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IN NEWS

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

FROM THE EXECUTIVE PASTOR

SANTINO DIMARCO

☉ Executive Pastor

Dear St Andrew's,

As another year draws to an end, I would like to use this final News note of the year to pause briefly, thanking God for his abundant blessings on St Andrew's as well remembering some of the more significant moments in the life of our community in 2015.

The most significant blessing God gives to St Andrew's is the wonderful people He brings to us....yes, you! My role as Executive Pastor places me in a position to "see" all of the comings and goings of regular ministry and community at St Andrew's. It is so encouraging to see the joyful spirit of all who lead, help and participate in the daily ministry; driven to serve and be involved in many and various ways, in response to the grace that our Lord Jesus has shown us. God really has blessed St Andrew's with a great community – on behalf of the Parish Council, Wardens and staff, thank you for all that you bring to the life of St Andrew's.

Of course, no year is solely filled with happiness and joy.

This year, we sadly said our final goodbye to beautiful Jean Rixon who faithfully served at

St Andrew's for so many years and in so many ways. We are of course comforted in the knowledge that Jean is with her saviour Jesus, but that doesn't always make the loss easy to accept. Jean truly was part of the furniture at St Andrew's (I mean that in a nice way) and I can assure you that the old adage rings true...‘you don't realise how much someone is doing until they are no longer there to do it'.

More recently we also said goodbye to Matt Stedman, along with Emily, Roxy and Mason, as Matt responded to the call to be the Rector of St Bede's Drummoyne. St Andrew's certainly doesn't feel the same without the Stedmans. Matt's pastoral and preaching ministry together with Emily's hospitality and singing ministry are sadly missed and I am sure St Bede's is basking in the joy of having the Stedman "ministry-team" in their midst. Please continue to pray for the Stedmans and the St Bede's Drummoyne parish.

Finally, on behalf of the whole ministry team, I pray that this Christmas you can take time to remember God's love for you; his love shown through the gift of his Son Jesus and, no matter what your circumstances are, you will find joy and peace in the knowledge of this love.

Blessings,
Santino

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COMMUNITY WATCH

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE

Thursday 24th Christmas Eve

- 🕒 6:00pm Family service
(arrive from 5:00pm for the Kiddy farm & BBQ)
- 🕒 11:00pm Contemporary communion service

Friday 25th Christmas Day

- 🕒 8:30am Traditional communion service
- 🕒 10:00am Contemporary service



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SUMMER SERVICES

- 🕒 27th Dec - 31st Jan | 9:30am & 6:30pm

CHRISTMAS LUNCH MINISTRY

If you would like to enjoy Christmas lunch with others from our church community, we have people who would love to have you join them. Just contact the Office by phone or email and we will make the arrangements for you.

Also, while we already have some lunch hosts, it would be good to have some more. If you would like to have people join you on Christmas Day, please also contact the Office.

02 9412 2553 or office@standrews.net.au

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COMMUNITY WATCH

PLEASE PRAY

🕒 Churchwide

Praise God that we had such a wonderful Carols on Clanville last Saturday. Pray that all our Christmas services will also be well attended and lead all present to celebrate God's wondrous grace in coming among us through Jesus.

🕒 10am

Thank God that Elke Kroie's thyroid surgery went smoothly. Pray that her pathology results are encouraging and no further treatment is needed. Thank God for his faithfulness in upholding Elke and the family through this anxious time.

Pray for Rachel Gijsbers and Pete Hayman as they await the imminent arrival of their second child. Pray for a safe, well supported delivery for mother and baby and that this baby will settle well into family life.

Please pray for Rosie McGlaughlin and her family in their grief after her father P.C. Chin died in Hong Kong last Sunday. Pray that the funeral on 29th Dec will be a testimony to God's grace in recently bringing Rosie's father to faith in Jesus.

🕒 5pm

Thank God that Cliff Sutton's bowel surgery went smoothly last week and continue to pray for his steady and strong recovery.

Pray for Leah and Andy as they leave on 31st December to live and work in Brunei. Pray particularly for God's protection, blessing and opportunity in their new situation.

🕒 Other

Pray for our Archbishop Glenn Davies and Bishop Chris Edwards as they deal with their many tasks in our Diocese. Give them wisdom and energy as they seek to honour God in their roles.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Raise up your great power, Lord,
and come among us to save us;
that, although through our sins we are
grievously hindered in running the race
that is set before us, your plentiful grace
and mercy may speedily help and deliver
us; through the sufficiency of your Son
our Lord, to whom with you and the
Holy Spirit be honour and glory,
now and for ever. Amen.

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

MISSION & AID

MALCOLM & LEANNE



🕒 South East Asia

Pray for Malcolm and Leanne serving in South East Asia in training and development.

Pray for Malcolm and Leanne over the Christmas period. As they are without their family, pray that they will be encouraged to share the real meaning of Christmas with others.

Praise God for the mid-week group who encourage Malcolm and Leanne in their

language learning and that the group are also eager to hear as they share with them.

Pray for the many believers in South East Asia; that they will not fall back into the idolatry of ancestor worship particularly as they get older and the expectation of families increase. Pray for courage and good teaching to help them.

Thank God that Mal and Leanne are building a good relationship with their new language helper and that they feel they are making progress in their conversation skills.

Pray for Malcolm as he has looming deadlines for his doctoral work.

Pray for Malcolm and Leanne's daughter Xanthe as she visits soon; that they can enjoy time together and that she will have the opportunity to meet people.

*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

Supporting the general work of St Andrew's:

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

This is our preferred method to receive your regular support.

Alternatively cash/cheque contributions can be made via the offertory collection during each of the services.

➤ Supporting the Property Redevelopment

To support the St Andrew's Property Redevelopment, **tax-deductible** contributions can be made via:

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".

If you would like to support the Property Redevelopment but **do not** require a tax deduction, please contact the Executive Pastor, Santino Dimarco.

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