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THE BIBLE

WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE
14TH FEBRUARY 2016

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IN NEWS

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

FROM THE THE ACTING RECTOR

BISHOP PETER WATSON

☉ Acting Rector

Dear St Andrew's,

Last Wednesday marked the beginning of the season of Lent, a 5 week preparation for Easter – the annual commemoration of the climax of Christ's public ministry.

As increasing numbers of Australians display less knowledge about (and interest in) Christianity, Christian festivals of Good Friday, Easter Day and Christmas are becoming significant opportunities for contact with non-believers. But the real point of these festivals is for believers.

The 5 weeks prior to Easter is an opportunity to once again read and meditate upon the Gospel accounts of Jesus' death and resurrection. This year you will notice that in the Bible Reading Plan we have recommended for Lent, the gospel focussed on is Matthew.

Firstly though, the reading plan takes us through Hosea, giving us a good feel for the book prior to our Sunday sermons. Then as we begin the 3rd week in Lent (1 March) we read our way through the second half of Matthew's gospel.

We start the Matthew readings half way through chapter 16. At this point in the Gospel

we are about two thirds through Christ's public ministry. This reading takes place north of Galilee when Jesus was recognised as the Christ and made his first public forewarning of what was awaiting him in Jerusalem; rejection, suffering, death and resurrection.

This watershed moment in the Gospel signals a change of direction. Previously Jesus had preached his way around the Galilee region, but after his acceptance of the title of Messiah and his prediction of his passion and resurrection in Jerusalem, he now set his face towards Jerusalem.

By reading through the Matthew passages we travel together with Jesus as he moves deliberately and knowingly towards his suffering, rejection and crucifixion. This is the best way to prepare for a meaningful remembrance of all that God has done for us in Christ to make us his own.

Let's use the Lent Bible Reading Plan and make this season a rich experience of spiritual renewal in Christ.

Your brother in Christ,

Peter Watson

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COMMUNITY WATCH

THIS WEEK

➤ Roseville-Lindfield-Killara Inter-church Lenten Service

Tue 16th Feb 7:45pm
Holy Family Catholic Church, Lindfield
Preacher: Rev. Mary Pearson (from Lindfield
Uniting)

FOR THE DIARY

Dates for your diary - more details to come

- Mon 14th Mar 7pm | Women's Dinner
- Mon 21st Mar 7pm | Parish AGM

OTHER

➤ Small Groups

If you are interested in joining a small group in 2016, please send an email to one of these contacts:

- 8:30am: peter.watson@standrews.net.au
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- 7pm: mike.hastie@standrews.net.au

➤ Church-Wide Prayer Meetings Survey

We would like to make our prayer meetings more accessible and would appreciate you giving a few moments of feedback via our short survey. You can complete it online at www.tinyurl.com/standrewsprayer or if you'd prefer, fill out a paper copy available on the display cabinet, located at the rear of the church.

It would be appreciated if you could complete the survey by Mon 29 Feb.

CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER MEETINGS SURVEY

You can complete this survey easily online at www.tinyurl.com/standrewsprayer or use this paper copy if you'd prefer.

Prayer is a core value in our 2020Vision because we know that it is a vital part of our relationship with God and is a distinct feature of how God grows his church. Those who attend the meetings always leave encouraged. However, the average attendance is only 10% of our adult church membership.

The purpose of this survey is to find out if there are ways that we can make our prayer meetings more accessible. Thank you for taking a few moments to give us your thoughts and suggestions about our Church-Wide Prayer meetings.

Please complete this survey by 28 February 2016.

1. Your name (optional): _____

2. The service you attend at St Andrew's (please circle)

8:30am	10am	5pm	7pm
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3. Assuming we remain with a one-hour weeknight prayer meeting (one per term), please circle the start time/s that you'd be most willing to attend:

5:30pm	6:00pm	6:30pm	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm
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4. What are your thoughts on the number of prayer meetings we hold each year? (Currently our prayer meetings are 4 times each year - once per term.)

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COMMUNITY WATCH

PLEASE PRAY

🕒 10am

Praise God for the safe happy arrival of a son, Bertie, to Kate and Mike Day. Pray for Kate's recovery and the family as Freddie and Lottie welcome their new brother and that Bertie will settle quickly into good feeding and sleeping habits.

🕒 5pm

Thank God that Lisa Polyblank's surgery went smoothly last Wednesday and pray for healing, comfort and a steady recovery over the weeks ahead. Pray also for Greg and their 3 children as they support Lisa.

🕒 St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for Cath Ahern as she leads the team who teach SRE in local public schools. Pray that the children will engage well with the lessons and enjoy the activities.

Pray for the Community Project and for David Morris as he oversees this. Pray for sufficient volunteers to be available when required and pray that more in the community will feel they can ask for assistance when needed.

🕒 Other

Pray for Roseville College Principal Megan Krimmer and Roseville Public School Principal Sean Moran. Pray guidance and wisdom for them as they nurture and care for the students at their schools.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord Jesus Christ, for our sake you fasted forty days and forty nights: give us grace to use such abstinence that, our flesh being subdued to the spirit, we may always obey your will in righteousness and true holiness, to your honour and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for evermore. Amen.

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

MISSION & AID

DALE AND RACHEL BARCLAY



☛ **Sunraysia South, Diocese of Bendigo**

Pray for Rev Dale and Rachel Barclay, with children Samuel, Joseph, Eden and Talitha, serving with Bush Church Aid (BCA) in the parish of Sunraysia South in the Diocese of Bendigo.

Pray for the parish's AGM/Gift Day this weekend; that the Lord will graciously guide their elections, providing committed servants to serve Him.

Pray for the leaders of all the regular church activities; that they will return to their tasks refreshed and renewed for 2016.

Pray for more workers to join the parish (APOSS) who will be willingly involved with their young people.

Praise God for increased giving at APOSS in 2015, and prayer that the necessary increase for 2016 will occur.

Pray that APOSS will be able to meet all ongoing parish financial needs, recognising increased financial operating burdens.

Pray for Dale as he leads the parish; that he always experiences God's love, guidance and protection. Pray for his task as Rural Dean; that all clergy in the deanery support him in faithfulness to God.

Pray that the "RENEW" op shop and Foodbank continues to be self supporting and a blessing to the community, with a great turnover of goods. Pray that church members are always welcoming to new people at the APOSS lunches.

*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.

KEY CONTACTS

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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.

(* this BSB may be displayed as Indue Limited which is part of the Diocesan banking arrangements)

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