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**IN PRAYER**  
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**NEWS &**  
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**WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE**  
**1ST MAY 2016**

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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

### ☛ Senior Minister

Dear St Andrew's (Wow, it's been a while since I've written those happy words!),

After nearly five months long-service and holiday leave, Buff and I are very excited to be back with you all. Oxford was all that we hoped for, and more. I taught for an hour a week, researched about 8 hours a week, preached (very) occasionally, and the rest of the time was spent relaxing, making friends, volunteering at Josie's school, playing with my darling wife, and holidaying for a few weeks in Europe when Josh and Sophie joined us.

Amidst the relaxation and revelry we often paused to pray and give thanks for Peter Watson whose tireless service as Acting Rector has been a great blessing to the parish over these months. Thank you, Peter.

I officially returned to work on 18 April with a full schedule of CPX activities, including an ANZAC weekend mission on the Gold Coast with the innovative and rapidly growing New Life Uniting Church, Robina. It was a privilege.

But this week I'm glad to be back at St Andrew's. There's much to be excited about. The Rev'd Stuart Holman has joined us as Senior Associate with oversight for Pastoral Care and Community Building. He and Cate come to us with two decades of ministry experience, most recently as Rector of Avalon / Palm Beach. Stu has hit the ground running. It was lovely—on day 2—to see the whiteboard in his office filled with names and ideas. Buff and I are very thankful that the Lord has led the Holmans to St Andrew's.

For the next couple of months I will be preaching through the book of James most weeks at most of the four services. The theme is 'Undivided'. Please join me in praying that God's Spirit will lead us all into a single-minded devotion to the ways of Christ. Our grand plans for "for Roseville and beyond" only make sense as an expression of our

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commitment to the Lord, to see his name honoured and His creatures blessed.

Yes, there is much to talk about over the coming weeks and months. With our Development Application finally approved—after more than a year of apparent treading water—we are about to enter the most ambitious phase of our church's history, at least since that congregation of 40 adults back in 1934 decided to construct a building four times the size of their current needs (our existing church building). But for now I want to ask you to forget about our building project, and concentrate on the far more pressing question of what competes for our loyalty and affection. For if it is true that Christ has been raised as Lord of heaven and earth, logic demands that our entire existence—our friendships and family, our work, our church life, our finances, and our play—be given over to Him in undivided worship.

God bless,

John

## **PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

Heavenly Father, the giver of all good things, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and grant that by your holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by your merciful guidance may perform them; through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## THIS WEEK

### ☛ Meals Ministry Cook-up & Craft Prep

Tue 3rd May – 9:30am - 12noon

In the Church Hall

Come and join the 10am Women's Bible Study and assist with both the cooking of meals to help those who are in need, as well as some craft preparation for our Sunday School and other Kids Ministries.

All are welcome to be involved.

Contact: [office@standrews.net.au](mailto:office@standrews.net.au)

## COMING UP

### ☛ Life of Jesus

Tue 31 May | 7.30pm

John and Buff Dickson's home

A 4-week course for people curious to find out about the basics of the world's largest faith.

Contact the Church Office or email

[lifefofjesus@standrews.net.au](mailto:lifefofjesus@standrews.net.au)



## PLEASE PRAY

### ☛ Churchwide

Please pray for those in our congregations who struggle with mental illness, particularly depression and anxiety. Pray for their healing and restoration and for those who seek to support them including their doctors. Pray too that they will know God's love for them and find comfort and hope in Christ.

### ☛ 10am

Thank God for Jenny Jessup's steady improvement in rehab after a recent knee replacement and pray for her as she continues to work hard towards complete recovery and getting home.

### ☛ St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for all those leading and attending our Youth activities; that there will be a great sense of community at Youth events and activities and a deep desire to know Jesus more.

### ☛ Other

Please pray for Anglicare as they seek to deliver Christ-centred and effective Christian care programs to many. Pray for the Early Learning Through Play program, developed to help many new Syrian refugees in Australia; for enthusiasm for the program and the resources to grow this ministry.

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## YOU MAY HAVE BEEN WONDERING ...

### ☞ **Why have we started saying psalms each week at the 10am, 5pm, and 7pm services?**

The book of Psalms in the Old Testament is God's own 'book of praises' given to his people to help shape their prayers and thanksgiving. They are invitations to rejoice, express awe, and even complain before God. From the beginning of the Christian church, the Psalms were used for both private devotion and public worship. All mainstream denominations have employed them through the centuries—Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Presbyterian, Uniting, Anglican, Lutheran, and so on. We have neglected them in recent years, to our detriment.

In the Book of Common Prayer—the standard for Anglican worship—the saying of psalms follows the confession of sin and reassurance of forgiveness. It is a fitting pivot to praise after being reminded of salvation. So, we thought—okay, well, I thought—we would try placing a psalm each week in that traditional spot as a segue into a song of praise. I have long thought that the book of Psalms is a precious symphony of prayers designed to create spiritual 'muscle memory' in us so that we know the full range of sentiments the Lord is pleased to hear from us—from anguished lament to rapturous praise, and everything in between. So get into it, and watch those muscles grow.

**John Dickson**

## 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 leaders of Bible Studies, Sunday classes and the Little Ducks playgroup; that fruitful ministries will continue and that more servant minded leaders will seek to join each group.

Pray for Dale as he travels to and speaks at the BCA Victoria Annual meeting in Melbourne.

Pray that the RENEW op-shop will show continuous positive development including more people offering as volunteers. Praise for continuing donations of saleable goods.

Pray for Chaplain Andre Whitton at Red Cliffs Secondary College as he guides and supports students and staff.

Pray for Jacaranda Village Nursing Home; that it will be a place of blessing and care to the residents where they are able to be at peace and enjoying each others company as they are able.



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

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# CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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## 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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Fri after school for Years 5&6

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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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