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**WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE**  
**22ND 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,

Just a quick note on a theme simultaneously personal and universal, small but eternally significant.

I am writing this on what would have been the 91<sup>st</sup> birthday of a dear friend of St Andrew's, Marie Rose Graber, who passed away four years ago. Before joining our church in 2003, Marie had lived an *interesting* life. As a teenager she had been in church when Dietrich Bonhoeffer's famous prison letters were being passed around. Yet, she lived the next 60 years as a profound sceptic of religion after reading all of the French and German philosophers during her studies at the University of Paris. As an existential atheist she embraced the Parisian bohemian life of the 1950s and 60s, the circumstances of which she only described euphemistically. She moved to Australia where she taught for two decades at the University of Sydney, maintaining her ponderous approach to all subjects but never quite able to shake a 'sense' of the divine.

One day, a member of our church who knew Marie from an evening class lent her a Christian book and invited her to church. After decades of intellectual resistance to the Faith,

she surprisingly agreed. And so began the countless hours Buff and I (and many others at St Andrew's) enjoyed in conversation with this remarkable lady, who ultimately came to a deep trust in the grace of Jesus Christ whom she met by an intense study of the Gospels. She once wrote to me:

"I find it incredible that, walking on the dusty roads of Palestine under the hot sun with a bunch of uneducated people, should give me such pleasure and make me look at life so differently, as I listen to the voice of the Teacher. In my life I have read avidly all sorts of books, and I never thought that the Gospels could stimulate thus my brain and give me at the same time the feeling that I had arrived to the most important discovery, to the only worthwhile discovery of my life."

Today, Buff and I will visit Marie's grave. It is bittersweet. But, mostly, we praise God that in His infinite goodness *a humble invitation*—to read a book, to come to church—was the miraculous doorway to Marie's eternal discovery.

Please, friends, never underestimate the small things you do to promote the Lord, in your own way, in your own circumstances!

God bless,

John

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## THIS WEEK

### 🕒 **Church-Wide Prayer Meeting**

Wed 25th May | 7:30pm - 8:30pm

In the Church Hall

Please do your best to make this a priority as we join together as a whole church to praise God, thank him for his blessings and bring to him our heart-felt concerns for our local community, our nation and the world.

## COMING UP

### 🕒 **StreetWork Supporter's Breakfast**

Sat 4th Jun | 8am | In the Church Hall

An opportunity to hear about and support StreetWork's efforts for at-risk youth in our local community.

Please RSVP to [rsvp@streetwork.org.au](mailto:rsvp@streetwork.org.au) or contact **02 9419 7559**

### 🕒 **First Aid Training**

Sat 4th Jun | 9am - 4pm | In the Kelman Room

For Kids and Youth ministry team members and anyone else who like to refresh their first aid skills or to attend for the first-time.

Run by Australia Wide First Aid. Cost: \$94

Register by Sun 29th May by emailing [cath.ahern@standrews.net.au](mailto:cath.ahern@standrews.net.au)

### 🕒 **Property Redevelopment Launch Event**

Mon 20th June | 7pm

Roseville Golf Club

Guest speaker: Archbishop Glenn Davies

RSVP by Fri 10th June to

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

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace  
by the confession of a true faith  
to acknowledge the glory of the  
eternal Trinity, and by your divine  
power to worship you as One;  
we humbly pray that you would keep us  
steadfast in this faith and evermore  
defend us from all adversities;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## PLEASE PRAY

### 🕒 Churchwide

Please pray for Peter Watson's wife Margo's recovery after back surgery last week. Pray for good pain relief, a strong, steady improvement, and for her patience in recovery.

Pray for the families of our community who are under stress: work and financial stress, relationship breakdown, and mental illness. Ask that God would use us to embody his love in their experience and give us his wisdom to do this well.

### 🕒 8:30am

Please keep Margaret Labruyere in your prayers as she receives chemotherapy treatment in hospital. Pray for wisdom in balancing treatment levels, that Margaret's body will be resilient to it and healed through the treatment. Ask God to strengthen, encourage and comfort Margaret daily with his grace.

### 🕒 10am

Pray for a joyful time of fellowship among those who are lunching together on Sunday as part of the 10am "Nine for lunch". Pray that this initiative will build community and encourage all of us to exercise hospitality more readily.

### 🕒 5pm

Pray for healing for Rose Lamont who is receiving treatment in hospital. Ask God to grant wisdom to her doctors and comfort and hope to Rose.

Please pray for David Scharkie and family on the recent passing of David's father Bob. Pray for comfort and strength for the family during this difficult time.

### 🕒 7pm

Pray for Hannah Collins and Joshua David-Wright celebrating their wedding at St Andrew's on Saturday. Pray for God's rich blessing on their relationship as they seek to serve and honour him.

### 🕒 St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for Cath Ahern as she coordinates the children's ministry, and for Emily Tong, Mel Bell and Sam Bainbridge who assist her; that they will be able to share the good news of Jesus with the children and that the activities will be fun and engaging.

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

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# MISSION & AID

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## BISHOP MASIMANGO KATANDA



### ➔ Congo

Pray for Bishop Masimango Katanda in the Anglican Diocese of Kindu in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Pray for him in his various responsibilities in the Diocese and beyond. Pray for wisdom and energy as he seeks to teach and encourage those around him.

Praise God for the good rice harvest this year in the whole Province of Maniema which is the Province state where Kindu Diocese is located. Families in the villages can sell the rice but at a low price because of abundance in the market.

Pray for the ongoing training of new Deacons to be ordained on the 29th May, the anniversary of the day of the Ugandan Evangelist Appolo established the Anglican Church in DR Congo. There will be a 3 day retreat for the candidates leading up to the ordination day.

Pray for the meeting of the house of Bishops in July to elect the new Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Congo after the resignation of Archbishop Henry Isingoma.

Pray for the Peace Talk dialogue called for by President Joseph Kabila for all the political parties and various other representatives of society to plan for a peaceful presidential election in 2016.

Pray for the Bishop's plan to visit parishes during the dry season which starts in July. Pray for protection as the Bishop travels long distances by motorbike in some challenging areas.



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

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# CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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## **PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. 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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