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IN PRAYER  
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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE  
30TH APRIL 2017

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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,

Welcome back to Term 2 and the start of our new sermon series, *Blessed: The Ethics of Christ for Complex Times*. I trust that these next three months will inspire and challenge us all—preacher included—to discover in the Sermon on the Mount the path to good relationships, nearness to God, comfort in sorrow, endurance through trials, promotion of the Faith, and genuine happiness. Jesus closed this famous 'sermon' by describing his teachings as the true foundation for a blessed life. He meant this not in the arbitrary sense that God will reward us for obeying him (and punish us for disobeying), but in the deeper sense that the life of the kingdom he describes in the Sermon on the Mount is a participation in the very rationale of creation. We are 'blessed' as we follow these teachings in the same way we are blessed when we follow the 'manufacturer's instructions', or when we build a house on solid ground. More about all this in the first sermon.

Please forgive the 'gear-change'—from existential foundations to regular chairs—but I want to update you on the proposed replacement of the pews with individual seats.

We want to see more people in our services each week, and individual chairs is a more efficient form of seating than pews. The 10am service this year has come close to practical capacity on numerous occasions. The 5pm and 7pm services have also experienced growth in the last few months. The pastoral team is actively following up about 70 newcomers. We expect the change to chairs to increase our capacity by at least 15% (and it will be exciting to make the church 'multipurpose').

Following the Parish Council's recommendation to replace the pews with chairs, everyone was invited to write to the Registrar of the diocese with any objections. Just two were received by the diocese. One was anonymous and so could not be considered. The other raised logistical concerns. Bishop Chris Edwards has investigated the matter and is satisfied that the Parish Council's proposal has sufficient merit to move forward. He has written to the parishioner, and granted his approval to the proposed change.

We will remove all of the memorialised brass plates currently attached to the pew ends, and place them on a single display board somewhere in one of the transepts of the church (i.e., the alcoves facing each other near the front of the church). Chairs will be chosen

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by the Wardens after due consideration, and the sale and removal of the pews (and replacement with chairs) will be arranged, we think, some time in the next couple of months.

If you want to put in a (generous) bid for a pew or two, feel free. Otherwise, we will sell them commercially and retain the proceeds for the work of St Andrew's. Any money we get for the pews is a bonus, since the cost of new chairs is already part of the budget of the *2020 Vision* Project. We will purchase more of the same (or similar) chair, God willing, when we expand the building.

I am looking forward to a 'blessed' few months ahead.

Warmly,

John

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life; give us grace that we may always thankfully receive the immeasurable benefit of his sacrifice and also daily endeavour to follow in the blessed steps of his most holy life; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for evermore.  
Amen.

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## THIS WEEK

### ☛ Meals Ministry Cook-up & Kid's Ministry Craft Prep

Tue 2nd May – 9:30am - 12noon  
in the Church Hall

### ☛ Life of Jesus

Commencing Thu 4th May | 7.30pm

A 5-week course for people curious to find out about the basics of the world's largest faith.

Contact the Church Office or email  
[lifeofjesus@standrews.net.au](mailto:lifeofjesus@standrews.net.au)

### ☛ SMBC Children's Ministry Conference

Sat 6th May | 9am - 3pm

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

## COMING UP

### ☛ Term 3 Church-wide Prayer Meeting

Wed 24th May | 7:30pm - 8:30pm in the Hall

### ☛ ReFrame Course Session 4

Mon 29th May | 7:30pm - 9:30pm

At Tony and Anne Golsby-Smith's home,  
18 Chelmsford Ave, Lindfield 2070

Course information at  
[www.reframecourse.com](http://www.reframecourse.com)

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

## PLEASE PRAY

### ☛ Churchwide

Praise God for answered prayer for Sonia Baillie (10am congregation) who has been given the all clear after some recent serious health concerns.

Also give thanks that Matt Featherstone (7pm congregation) is now 5 years cancer free and for the way God brought Matt to Himself through this time.

Please continue to pray for others who are facing serious health matters. Pray for God's healing and for strength and comfort for them and their families.

### ☛ 10am

Give thanks for the baptism of Riley Chell today. Please pray for his parents Stephen and Olwen as they bring Riley and his sister Jessica up in the Christian faith so that in time they will know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

### ☛ 5pm

Pray for those among our congregation who are searching for new employment or who are needing more work. Pray that they will grow in their trust in God during this difficult time, and that God would lead them into new opportunities.

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## ☛ St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for the ESL classes held on Thursday mornings. Please pray for Jane Clifford and the other ESL volunteers. Pray that the classes will help those who attend form new friendships as well as develop their English skills.

Pray for all those who attend Playgroup each week, and for Cath Ahern, Mel Bell and their team of helpers. Pray for the parents and children to see Jesus' love through the activities and through the care given by all involved.

*If you would like to communicate prayer points to the Ministry Team, please email*  
**[prayer@standrews.net.au](mailto:prayer@standrews.net.au)**

## REMINDER TO UPDATE YOUR GENERAL OFFERTORY BANKING ARRANGEMENTS

Thank you to the many who have already transferred their direct credit arrangements from Glebe Income Accounts to Westpac Bank.

As our current banking arrangements with Glebe Income Accounts will be closing **very soon** we kindly ask those who have not yet made the change to do so this week.

The new Westpac account details are:

**St Andrew's Anglican Church Roseville**

**BSB: 032 086 | A/C 387 248**

Please note that the account name is not a critical factor when transferring funds electronically so do not be concerned if there is insufficient space to put the whole "St Andrew's" account name or if your bank does not allow for the use of apostrophes etc.

Thank you for your support of St Andrew's Roseville.

If you have any questions please contact  
**[santino.dimarco@standrews.net.au](mailto:santino.dimarco@standrews.net.au)**

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

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# MISSION & AID

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## LIFE ANGLICAN CHURCH



### 📍 Marsden Park, North-western Sydney

Pray for Rev Mark Collins, his wife Rachael and their three sons Benjamin, Joseph and Reuben as they lead this new church plant at Marsden Park.

Praise God for the start of the Marsden Park church gatherings. In 2 months there has been growth from the launch team of 29 adults to almost 50 adults, with 30 visitors over that time.

Praise God for the public launch on 2nd April when over 130 people attended. There were many first time visitors, supporters from other churches and family members of the launch team.

Pray for follow up of many people in the community of Marsden Park.

Pray for Christianity Explored which we plan on running in June.

Praise God for the Easter service with new people coming along and many people in the church inviting others.

Praise God for the success of simple connecting strategies like doorknocking, letterbox drops and talking to people at the train station. Schofields (neighbouring suburb to Marsden Park) has a small railway station where Mark and another team member handed out flyers in the morning peak (6:50am – 8:20 am) just before Easter. This resulted in many conversations and one family coming along to both Good Friday and Easter Sunday services.

Pray for the welcome lunch for new people on 30th April and for other integration activities for those new to the Marsden Park church.

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

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# CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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## CONFESSION

Most merciful God,  
we humbly admit that  
    we need your help.  
We confess that we have  
    wandered from your way:  
we have done wrong,  
and we have failed to do  
    what is right.  
You alone can save us.  
Have mercy on us:  
wipe out our sins and teach us  
    to forgive others.  
Bring forth in us the fruit  
    of the Spirit  
that we may live as  
    disciples of Christ.  
This we ask in the name  
    of Jesus our Saviour. 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:

**St Andrew's Anglican Church Roseville**  
BSB 032 086 | A/C 387 248

*This is our preferred method  
to receive your regular support.*

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

The current year budget includes an allocation of  
10% of general offertory to Mission & Aid.

## ☛ 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 062 240 | A/C 0090 1771

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.

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

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