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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE
SUNDAY 6 MAY 2018

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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,

Recently in this section of the News we've been focusing on the benefits that our 2020 Vision Project redevelopment will offer as we seek to serve the local and wider community.

John Dickson wrote about the faith and courage of previous generations of St Andrew's members who built facilities that served the community well for the 20th century era. Cath Ahern wrote about the blessing that enlarged and improved facilities will be to the local community, especially as we connect with families with children. Reflecting on the HUB Kids Holiday Program, she told how exciting it was to see our site packed with children, hearing the gospel and having loads of fun, as well as parents enjoying an early morning catch-up over a coffee after dropping their children off for HUB. But the HUB program also highlighted how inadequate and limiting our current facilities are and the safety concerns they pose when measured by today's standards.

Our messages have focused on the obvious (and 'cool') ministry needs for our new facilities, and Stuart Holman (who is currently

on well-earned leave) will soon write about aspects of the pastoral and community ministry that will be enhanced by our improved facilities.

Today's note is not about the 'cool' stuff. It is about a mundane part our new facilities that will nevertheless make a huge difference to our 'lowering of the draw-bridge' to the local community. I am talking about parking.

Most parishioners probably observe that parking on a Sunday, while not ideal, is still somewhat manageable. On a Sunday we obviously don't compete with the commuter and Roseville College parking along Bancroft Avenue, and the timed parking along Hill Street doesn't apply.

However, Monday to Friday it is very different. There are many ministries that we currently hold Monday to Friday (Playgroup, ESL, Fit for Good, Bible Studies etc) that are being negatively impacted by the lack of available, untimed parking in the local streets. We are also wanting to start many more ministries but we know that the current parking limitations are holding us back. We currently see people arriving for these ministries (often with prams and pre-school aged children in tow) struggling to find a park and, so, having to walk some distance from their car to our door. It is not very welcoming. It is far from ideal.

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Stage 1 of our redevelopment will include 30 underground parking spaces. Yes, it is expensive; yes, it is necessary by council requirements; and, yes, it is boring to write about. But sometimes the boring bits are substantial. Making 30 parking spots available in Stage 1 of the redevelopment will make our whole facility more accessible and attractive for all to engage with us and hear about God's love.

As John wrote a few weeks ago, *"please, let's live up to the hopes and ambitions of former generations of St Andrew's church members, who somehow saw in this church "a house of prayer for all nations" (Isaiah 56:7). They dreamed that we would reach people from every nationality and send out believers from here to bless the world"*.

It will take joyful sacrifice to fund this project. I say 'joyful' because a true and faithful response to God's love for us will always bring joy - perhaps not the joy that is more commonly understood, but a different joy that comes from His spirit, as we respond to His love and grace toward us.

St Andrew's - let's joyfully make this happen!

Blessings,

Santino

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

THIS WEEK

☛ Women's High Tea

Sat 12th May | 3.00pm - 4.30pm

At St Andrew's, Roseville

Cost: \$10, pay at the door.

Speaker: Lucy Hercus, a local foster mum,
on 'When Things Don't go According to Plan.'

*Please invite the special women in your life:
mum, sisters, friends, aunt etc*

RSVP by Mon 6th May to
womensevents@standrews.net.au
or the Church Office **9412 2553**

COMING UP

☛ Church-Wide Prayer Meeting

Wed 23rd May | 7:30pm - 8:30pm

In the Church

☛ Men's Event: Vinyl & Vine

Fri 15th Jun | 7:30pm - 10:30pm

At Gareth and Edwina Axtens' home
19 The Grove, Roseville

Bring your favourite LP and a bottle of your
favourite wine. Light finger food provided.

RSVP by Tue 12th Jun to
mens-events@standrews.net.au

FOR THE DIARY

Dates for your diary - more details to come

☛ Sun 17th Jun | Belonging Course

☛ 21st-23rd Sep | St Andrew's Weekend Away

PLEASE PRAY

☛ Churchwide

Pray for the Women's High Tea this Saturday;
that many will come and be encouraged by the
speaker and our time together.

☛ Youth

Praise God that the REVIVE Youth Leadership
Team were able to go away together this
weekend. Pray for our youth leaders as Term 2
begins; that the Lord will be growing their love
for Him and for our young people.

☛ St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for those in Nursing Homes and Hostels
who are no longer able to regularly worship
with us; Brian Cotton, Margaret Green,
Naida Holliday, Margaret Rook, Adrienne
Searle, and Frank Wyndham. Pray for Peter
Watson, Marion Stanbridge and Judy Hodges
who lead the visitation team and for others
from St Andrew's who assist them.

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COMMUNITY WATCH

➡ Other

Pray for Christian Aid Workers in many parts of the world that are in crisis, especially areas such as Syria, Yemen, East Africa and Myanmar; pray for safety and compassion as they work hard to save lives under unimaginable circumstances.

Pray for our local area; that many will be drawn to Jesus and that we can all take any opportunities we have to share God's love with those around us.

Pray for our local Federal MP, Paul Fletcher, and local State MP, Jonathan O'Dea. Pray that those who are in need and vulnerable can be served by our local, state and federal representatives.

If you would like to communicate prayer points to the Ministry Team, please email

prayer@standrews.net.au

OTHER

➡ Parking concerns around the Church

We have had some complaints from local residents due to parishioners stopping/parking illegally across their driveways. Please respect our neighbours by not doing this (even if it is only to let passengers in/out or drop things off) as this is causing significant annoyance.

MISSION & AID

INTERNATIONAL NEPAL FELLOWSHIP

➡ Nepal

Pray for International Nepal Fellowship (INF), a Christian mission that serves the physical and spiritual needs of poor and disadvantaged Nepali people, and supports the Nepali church.

Last month marked the third anniversary of the massive earthquakes which hit Nepal. Thank God for all those who served in the immediate aftermath and pray for those who continue to serve in the reconstruction.

Pray for INF's work among people with disabilities and pray that all people will be welcomed and included in community life. A short film describing the impact of INF's earthquake response can be seen at **www.tinyurl.com/INFNepal**

Pray for the church and for Christians in Nepal in the midst of increasing scrutiny of Christian organisations and threats to people who share their faith with others.

Pray for boldness and unity in the church, for protection but also for strength and deep faith for those being persecuted. Pray that God will be glorified through the way they respond to persecution.

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

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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.

There may be an opportunity for Q&A after
the sermon. Questions will be taken from the
floor, or can be texted to 0416 874 993.

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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 032 102 | A/C 141 628

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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