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IN PRAYER  
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NEWS &  
THE BIBLE

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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE  
SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER 2018

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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,

Your warm, affirming, happy-sad response to the news of my resignation has truly blessed Buff and me. We feel uplifted and supported in our decision, and we are filled with confidence that the spirit of St Andrew's—or should I say “the Spirit in St Andrew's”?—will keep this church looking to the Lord for greater things in the future than we have seen in the past. The thought that Buff and I can remain part of that future, first as members, and then in whatever way our next Rector wants, is comforting and strengthening to us. Pre-emptively, in fact, Stuart Holman (who will be Acting Rector from 1 April) has asked me to do some evangelistic preaching in August-September—so that's fun. You remain in our daily prayers. Please pray for the Nominators (Rick Seton, John Campbell, Cath Ahern, Andy Marks, and Bill Hurditch) as they begin their important work of selecting a new Rector.

As you know, I will be preaching through the Gospel of John every week until 31 March, with the exception of two Sundays in mid-to-late January, when I will be doing two very interesting things I want to mention. In the

middle of the month, I'll be speaking on the topic of “reaching a post-Christian world” at an international Anglican leaders conference held, of all places, in Charleston, South Carolina, in the US. Then at the end of January I have a speedy 5-day trip to Jordan and Lebanon, sponsored by the Australian government and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, to visit Australian aid projects, including refugee camps. I don't know how I got the invitation, but it will be a great privilege to see firsthand where our Foreign Aid and Development dollars are being spent. Will you please pray for these two adventures.

Every blessing,  
John

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord Jesus Christ, at your first coming you sent your messenger to prepare the way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the ways of the righteous, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## THIS WEEK

### ☛ Toys 'n' Tucker Final Collection

Sun 16th Dec

Anglicare's Toys 'n' Tucker appeal provides a way for us to share the joy of Christmas and demonstrate God's love by providing food and gifts for those in need.

Please see the flyer for suitable goods for donation or visit

[www.toysntucker.org.au/planning-collection.html#shopping-list](http://www.toysntucker.org.au/planning-collection.html#shopping-list)

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE

### ☛ Sunday 23rd December

**7:15pm** Traditional Lessons and Carols  
(plus, our regular 10:00am and 5:00pm  
Contemporary services with kids ministry)

### ☛ Monday 24th Christmas Eve

**5:00pm** Kiddy farm, BBQ,  
followed by **6:00pm** Family service  
**11:00pm** Contemporary communion service

### ☛ Tuesday 25th Christmas Day

**8:00am** Traditional Christmas service  
**10:00am** Contemporary Christmas service



### ☛ Christmas Day Lunch at St Andrew's

Tue 25th Dec | 11.30am – 2.30pm

Christmas Lunch is free and is open to anyone who would like a little more company this Christmas.

***If you know someone you can invite,  
please do invite them!***

RSVP (by Thu 20th December) and/or volunteer at [www.tiny.cc/christmaslunch](http://www.tiny.cc/christmaslunch) or call Bambi Staveley on 0414 889 486

## SUMMER SERVICES

- ☛ Sun 30 Dec 2018 | 9:00am - 1 service only
- ☛ 6 Jan - 27th Jan 2019 | 9:00am & 6:00pm

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## CONTACTING THE NOMINATORS

If you would like to provide any input to the Nominators (Rick Seton, John Campbell, Cath Ahern, Andy Marks, and Bill Hurditch) as they begin the process of nominating a new Rector for St Andrew's Roseville, please email **[nominators@standrews.net.au](mailto:nominators@standrews.net.au)**

## GETTING IN TOUCH



We would love to hear from you if you are new to St Andrew's.

You can get in touch via **[www.standrews.net.au/git](http://www.standrews.net.au/git)** or on the paper forms,

found in the bibles in the Church.

The Getting in Touch form is also an opportunity for regular St Andrew's members to let us know about prayer needs, update their details, volunteer, and make other enquiries.

Getting in Touch paper forms can be placed in the Communication Box attached the display cupboard at rear of Church.

## LIFE OF JESUS COURSE

➡ *A four-week course that digs deeper into what is known about Jesus' life and why it matters.*

Whether you are looking for answers to life's big questions or just interested in the history and philosophy of the Christian faith, the Life of Jesus DVD course will intrigue, entertain and challenge. Join us for a unique opportunity to discover the fascinating figure at the heart of Christianity.

Over the four sessions, you can ask all your questions in a relaxed environment over light refreshments.

This really is the '101' course for people curious to inspect the basics of the world's largest faith.

Register your interest in our next course which begins on Tuesday 26th February 2019, 7:30pm: **[www.tiny.cc/lifeofjesus](http://www.tiny.cc/lifeofjesus)** or via the Book/Register button in the App event, or **02 9412 2553**



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## PLEASE PRAY

### 🕒 Mission & Aid

Please pray for the Chinese pastors that St Andrew's supports through the China Partnership. In the last few days 100 Christian leaders were arrested in Chengdu (an area where the gospel has been flourishing) - 60 of those arrested are still missing. Please pray for the release of those who are imprisoned and pray that those impacted by the local government crackdown will be strengthened through God's spirit and continue to faithfully share the gospel.

### 🕒 Churchwide

Pray for St Andrew's during the Christmas and New Year season; that we will continue to fix our eyes on our Jesus amid busyness and many possible distractions.

### 🕒 10am

Pray for Ann White who is experiencing severe nerve pain in her back and legs. Pray that new treatment will be effective and that she will experience rest and healing.

### 🕒 7pm

Pray for the many in the 7pm congregation who lead and disciple the youth and kids at REVIVE and Kids Space.; that they be

refreshed and restored over the Christmas break.

### 🕒 Youth

Pray for the St Andrew's HSC students who received their marks and ATARs this week; that they will feel a sense of God's peace, knowing that their identity and security is in Him. Praise God for the many hours of study and work these students have poured into their school work and pray that God will be glorified through it all.

### 🕒 Other

Please pray for Anglicare during this Christmas season as they seek to provide food and gifts to thousands of families who would otherwise go without. Pray for their staff and volunteers and all who are served by this ministry; that they will know God's care for them during this time.

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

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# MISSION & AID

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## BIBLE SOCIETY



### 📍 Australia

Bible Society Australia. BSA is committed to giving access to the Bible across the world. They also advocate for and engage Australians here at home and people around the world with the Bible.

Give thanks for a high-impact year with the release of the Centre for Public Christianity's documentary *For the Love of God: How the church is better + worse than you ever imagined*. Pray that CPX articles published in the media, *For the Love of God* DVDs sold as gifts, and other online content will reach people afresh with the good news about Jesus.

Praise God for the generosity of Bible Society supporters in supporting over 20 Remote and Indigenous Ministry projects. Pray that God will continue to work powerfully through our Indigenous brothers and sisters in sharing the Bible in their way, in their words.

Pray for the launch of Ignition, a joint initiative between Bible Society Australia and

the United Evangelistic Council, aimed at supporting cross-denominational, evangelistic youth events throughout 2019. Pray for the teams at BSA and the UEC as they receive applications for financial assistance and resources. Pray also for these teams as they continue developing resources that will be useful for youth evangelism. Pray that Ignition will reach churches across Australia and give young people an opportunity to respond to Jesus.

Pray for the development of resources for ministries in Australian rural communities. Pray that BSA will be able to respond appropriately to the needs of those on the front line of these ministries, and that through them, God's word will be effective in the lives of His people.

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

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# CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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## CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have strayed from your ways  
like lost sheep,  
We have left undone  
what we ought to have done,  
and we have done  
what we ought not to have done.  
We have followed our own ways  
and the desires of our own hearts.  
We have broken your holy laws.  
Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us;  
restore those who turn to you,  
according to your promises  
declared to us in Jesus Christ  
our Lord.  
And grant, merciful Father,  
for his sake,  
that we may live a godly  
and obedient life,  
to the glory of your holy name.  
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.

# KEY CONTACTS

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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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