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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE
SUNDAY 9TH JUNE 2019

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IN NEWS

*All that's going on
around St Andrew's*

FROM THE ACTING RECTOR

REV STUART HOLMAN

🕒 Acting Rector

“Church ministers are invisible for 6 days of the week, and then incomprehensible on the seventh.”

...Or so the saying goes. In the interests of lifting the lid on this perception (the first part, at least) I would like to tell you about the recent St Andrew's Staff Retreat, which was at MacMasters Beach, May 27-29.

Before telling you about our Retreat I would like to give you some background information. Multiple researchers from across the world have shown that the role of church minister is among the most stressful of all jobs, leading to a significant rate of burnout in the job. John Mark Ministries (jmm.org.au), a respected Australian support group for pastors, notes the following statistics:

- 🕒 23% of Pastors have been fired or pressured to resign at least once in their careers.
- 🕒 25% don't know where to turn when they have a family or personal conflict or issue.
- 🕒 25% of pastors' spouses see their spouse's work schedule as a source of conflict.

- 🕒 33% of pastors felt burned out within their first five years of ministry.
- 🕒 40% of pastors and 47% of spouses are suffering from burnout, frantic schedules, and/or unrealistic expectations.
- 🕒 45% of pastors say that they've experienced depression or burnout to the extent that they needed to take a leave of absence from ministry.
- 🕒 56% of pastors' wives say that they have no close friends.

So, it's tough for church staff, their spouses and their families working in church ministry and just taking a few extra days off at the beach does little more than put a band-aid on the problem. Recent research (and more about to be published in Sydney next year!) shows that the most effective antidote to 'ministry burnout' is the practice of deep reflection and engagement with God, along with a clear sense of 'calling' to the ministry being served. The staff were therefore delighted that they were able to 'retreat' together for three days.

Our Retreat included long and dedicated times for prayer and worship. In addition to reflection on John 17 together, we also discussed Francis Chan's recent publication, "Letters to the Church". While we did not

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wholly embrace everything that the book had to say, its application of a biblical understanding of church to our life together had quite an impact on us. For example, when we remembered that we are primarily the gathering of God's people with God in their midst, many issues were brought into sharp relief. We do not attend church. We are the church. Church is not a weekly performance but a family to which we belong. As leaders within God's community gathered, we have significant responsibilities. We can only meet these depending upon the grace of God.

Please feel free to continue this discussion with any members of staff. Each of the Small Group Leaders who recently came to our 'Big Day In' were also given a copy of the book. We anticipate discussing it further at our next Small Group Leaders training event.

One further observation: you should know how much the St Andrew's staff loves you. We spent much time praying for you, even with tears, as we considered the work of God among us. We are eager to become, more and more, the community of Jesus Christ, offering a centre of community to Roseville and beyond.

Congratulations also to one staff member who scored a new 'personal best' at Ten Pin Bowling — 59!

In Him,
Stuart

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Almighty God, who taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant to us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and always to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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COMMUNITY WATCH

COMING UP

➤ Professor Darrell Bock preaching at St Andrew's Roseville

Sun 16th June | 10am and 5pm services
'Thriving in a Hostile World'

Professor Bock is the Executive Director of Cultural Engagement and Senior Research Professor of New Testament Studies at Dallas Theological Seminary. His work and writing have focussed on the historical Jesus, the Gospels, Luke-Acts and the relationship between culture and Christianity.

Flyers on display cabinet at rear of Church.

➤ Church-Wide Prayer Meeting

Wed 19th June | 7:30pm - 8:30pm
Soup and bread served from 7pm

In the Church

Praying for all that is happening at St Andrew's, our local community and beyond.

➤ Belonging course

Sun 23rd June | 3:00pm - 4:30pm
For afternoon tea in the Kelman Room

Meet our staff, find out about St Andrew's and have all your questions answered.

RSVP at www.tiny.cc/belongingcourse or click on Book/Register in the Church App.

➤ Women's Retreat Day

Sat 27th Jul | 9am - 4pm

In the Church

Cost: \$45



Please join us for a relaxed lunch, prayer, and worship; surrendering our hearts to the One who offers us rest.

Book at www.tiny.cc/stawomensretreat or via the event in the Church App, by Fri 5th Jul.

FOR THE DIARY

Dates for your diary - more details to come

➤ Thu 5th Sep | 7pm

Rev Malcolm York Commencement of Ministry service

➤ Tue 10th - Fri 13th Sep | StAR Tour

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COMMUNITY WATCH

PLEASE PRAY

☛ Youth

Praise God for the 47 youth who will be coming to Winter Camp. Pray for our leaders as they prepare for the camp from 28-30 June and for all who attend the weekend as we think about God's purpose for our lives.

☛ St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for the Wardens and the Parish Council as they meet regularly. Pray for wisdom as they consider the various matters before them so that as a parish we will glorify God.

Thank God for the Xtreme sleepover held this weekend; for a great time with the kids, an opportunity to share Jesus with them, and for the staff and volunteers who served at this event.

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

☛ Other

Pray for Anglicare as they advocate for justice on behalf of people who are materially deprived, socially excluded and marginalised. Pray that they will be able to provide compassion and personalised outcomes for families and children who need help. Pray especially for the Winter Appeal, fundraising for the Food and Financial Assistance program. The program is designed to help and serve the most vulnerable people in our city.

If you would like to communicate prayer points to the Ministry Team, please email prayer@standrews.net.au

PLEASE NOTE - PARKING ON HILL ST

A parishioner from our 10am service was recently booked for parking in the bus zone on a Sunday on the Eastern side of Hill St (the non-railway side), near the corner of Victoria Ave. Please note that this bus zone is a 7 day/24hr restriction unlike some of the other bus zones on the other side of Hill St. It would seem that many parishioners do park in this area and it has not been policed for many years. However, this recent booking may mean that the council rangers are being more vigilant, even on a Sunday.

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

MISSION & AID

BEN LIM



🕒 Sydney University Evangelical Union

Ben serves with eufocus, the Sydney University Evangelical Union's (EU's) ministry amongst international students. He lives in Sydney with his wife Sian and their 3 boys, Jude, Elias, and Rupert.

Pray for Ben as he recruits, trains and walks alongside Christian students and ministry apprentices so that they return home living for and proclaiming Christ.

Pray for the EU Explore groups: cross-cultural evangelistic Bible studies helping around 60 international non-Christians to Explore Jesus in a loving community.

Pray that God will strengthen the groups leaders to teach clearly, love wisely and encourage boldly, and that many will come to faith in Christ.

Pray for the 28,000 international students, 18,000 from China who attend Sydney University. Thank God for the wonderful opportunities to share God's love in Jesus with international students.

Pray that Bible storytelling will grow multiplying groups of disciple-making disciples. Pray for wisdom and humility as EU staff consider how to do this in the Sydney Uni context, so that more and more international students will have God's Word in their hearts.

Pray that God will raise up more labourers for this harvest (eufocus ministry trainees - Howies) and Senior Staff (evangelists, pastors & teachers), for His glory, the salvation of the lost and the growth of His church in all the world.

Pray that God will raise up generosity from amongst his people to meet the financial needs of EU staff for this year and beyond.

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

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PRAYERS

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.

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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Bibles in the following languages are available on the display cabinet at the entrance to the church:

Korean, Hindi and Chinese

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चर्च के प्रवेश द्वार पर हिंदी बाइबल्स अलमारी में उपलब्ध हैं।

如需参考汉语圣经,欢迎从入口旁的矮柜上自取

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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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