

# 28 MAY 2023

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www.standrews.net.au

# Mission and Aid Sunday - THIS SUNDAY!

This Sunday, all our normal services will be cancelled and we will hold one service at Roseville College for our Mission and Aid Sunday.

Please join us at 9:30am for a **10am start** in the auditorium of **Roseville College**.

There is more information in this Newsletter on who we are supporting and how you can give to our partners. In addition, there is a map of the school and instructions for joining us.

The kids program will also be held on site in the Roseville College School Hall. Please drop your kids off at the hall at **9:45am** so we can all be seated in the auditorium for a 10am start.

Plan to stay for lunch and to have a time of fellowship with the wider church as well as our Mission and Aid partners.

#### STAFF TEAM:

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On Sunday May 28th we will be celebrating our 2023 Mission and Aid Sunday – an annual event during which we recognise and give thanks for God's incredible blessings to us, both spiritual and material. Everything we own comes from Him. Giving thanks, we especially look beyond ourselves in support of mission and aid causes through prayer and financial support.

We have been reminded over the past few years how thankful we are for the blessings of peace and prosperity and for our advanced medical and health systems that have minimised its impact. We need to recognise that much of the world has not had it as good as we have had and still desperately needs help.

In the lead up to Mission and Aid Sunday please consider how we may reflect God's love through our blessing of others facing daily challenges with poor health, poverty, constraints to their ministries and opposition to the gospel.

This year we hope to raise at least \$250,000 of which 80% will be tax deductible. Therefore each donor will receive a tax receipt for 80% of the amount donated.

The projects we are supporting this year have close associations with St Andrew's and a balance between gospel mission and Christ centred aid.

Each of the five beneficiaries will receive an equal share of the amount raised.

- **②** Zambia's Child to help alleviate poverty in Zambia, primarily through quality Christian education and community development activities. www.zambiaschild.ngo
- **②** Bec Choi working in the Anglican Diocese of Bathurst under Bishop Mark Calder bringing the gospel to women and families in the rural parish of Blayney. www.bathurstanglican.org.au/blayney/
- ♦ Barbara May Foundation supporting Dr Andrew Browning as he builds maternity health care in sub-Saharan Africa and heals marginalised women injured through childbirth in desolate communities regardless of race, religion or financial capacity. www.barbaramayfoundation.com
- **② Anglican Youthworks** seeking to build an effective youth and children's ministry in every church. www.youthworks.net
- **②** International Care Ministries (ICM) providing help, hope and change to ultra-poor families in the Philippines through scalable partnerships with the local church. www.caremin.com

As God's dearly loved children, empowered by the same spirit that raised Jesus from the dead and who lives within us, we are called to do good in a broken world and to bring light and love where there is much darkness and need.

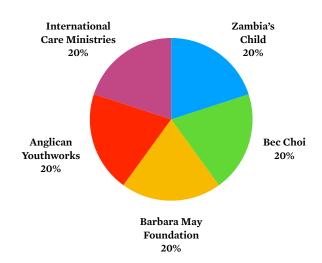
So let us all prayerfully consider how much we can cheerfully donate to this year's Mission and Aid Sunday Appeal as we meet at Roseville College at 10:00am on Sunday 28th May 2023.

In Christ,

#### Mal York

Senior Minister

#### 2023 MISSION AND AID SUNDAY PARTNERS



# **TARGET** \$250,000

# 80% TAX DEDUCTIBLE





#### HOW TO GIVE

RECEIPT

PLEDGE Complete the pledge form via the QR code or www.tiny.cc/MAS2023.

Printed pledge forms can be obtained via the office if preferred.

PAYMENT EFT to: BSB 032 102 / Acc 141839 / Ref "<surname> MA23"

Cheaues and cash accompanied by a pledge form can be accepted using

Tax receipts will be issued via email to the donor nominated on the

pledge form.

For assistance please contact David Vidilini, Treasurer via accounts@standrews.net.au or Mal York at mal.york@standrews.net.au .

the envelopes provided or via the church office.





#### PRAYER POINTS

For your prayers this week...

Please pray for the church leadership. For the Wardens and Parish Council. Pray that God will give them wisdom as they make decisions around finances, site and OH&S. Pray that we will support their decisions and will play our part in seeing the finances of the church met. Give them wisdom as they think about the site and especially the building program.

Please pray that our Sunday Services are not only God honouring, but a place where people know that God is working. Pray for all who are involved in the Sunday services from the musicians to the services leaders, to those on Morning Tea, to those welcoming and reading the bible – that all involved will be looking to serve God and his church in Roseville faithfully. Praise God for those who do a lot of behind the scenes work to get the services happening and pray that God will use these services to grow his Kingdom for his sake and glory.

Please pray for the 6:30pm congregation, that God would fill them with the knowledge of your will, through all spiritual wisdom and understanding, in order that they may live a life worthy of you and may please you in every way. May they bear fruit in every good work, grow in the knowledge of you and be strengthened with all power according to your glorious might – so that they may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully give thanks to you their Father, who has qualified them to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. AMEN

Please pray for our Mission and Aid Sunday partners. For Zambia's child, for Bec Choi, for International Care Ministries, for Youthworks and for the Barbara May Foundation. Pray that we will be generous in our support of them and that God will work his purposes through them. Praise God for the partnership that we have with them and that as we support them, God will continue to challenge us to live for him in the same way.

#### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The preferred method for contributing to the ministry and operational costs of St Andrew's is via regular EFT giving to:

BSB 032 086 - Account 387 248 St Andrew's Roseville

Cash/cheque contributions can be made via the offertory collection boxes inside the church (no funds are kept on site). For enquiries about financial matters, please contact our Treasurer, David Vidilini via accounts@standrews.net.au.

#### **SAFE MINISTRY**

We take safety seriously at St Andrew's and we are committed to the physical, emotional and spiritual welfare of those in our care. If you have questions or concerns please contact our (voluntary) Safe Ministry Representative, Megan Webster at safeministry@standrews.net.au.

#### PARENTS AT 10:30AM

As the Kelman room isn't able to be used at the moment, we have moved our parents room to the foyer of the offices. It's all set up with some simple resources, a screen and tablet that is easily connected to the livestream.

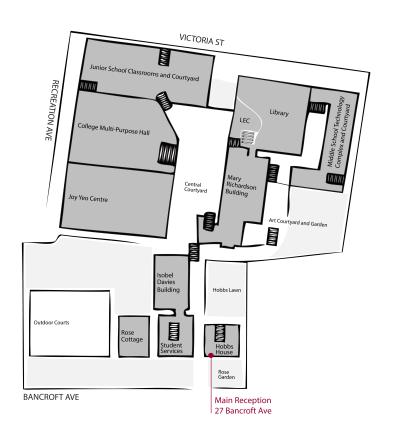
It has pram access, air con and comfy seating so please enjoy!

#### **COMING UP**

- 17th June EAG Bushwalk
- 15th 17th Sep Weekend Away.







### INSTRUCTIONS FOR MISSION AND AID SUNDAY

Please enter in through the Bancroft Ave entrance of the school.

Make your way through to the 'Joy Yeo Centre' - which is the Performing Arts Auditorium. This is where our main service will be.

Parents, please take your children to the College Multipurpose Hall after 9:40am to sign them in. Creche and Pre-school will be in the Breezeway outside the Auditorium.

Please aim to be seated in the auditorium by 10:00am, so we can get started on time. The service will be recorded and up on You-Tube later in the day.

We will have lunch in the Central Courtyard after the service.

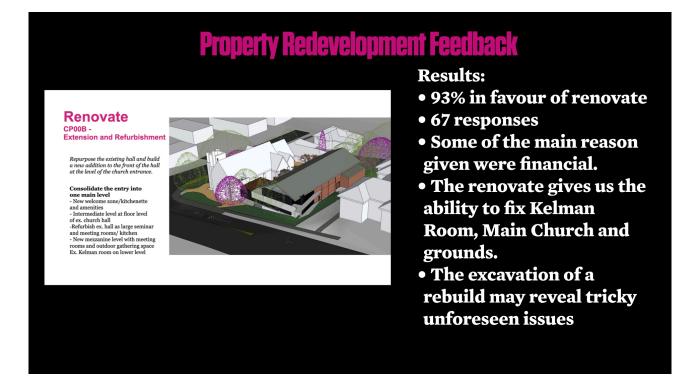
#### **REVIVE WINTER CAMP**

We have begun preparation for Winter Camp which is coming up on the 23rd-25th of June.

Make sure you mark out those dates in your calendars and watch out for the next email from Indira which will include the registration link for camp. Alternatively, you can register using this link: <a href="mailto:tiny.cc/wintercamp23">tiny.cc/wintercamp23</a>

If you have any questions ahead of registering for camp please let Indira know!

indira.courtness@standrews.net.au



#### ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NEWS





#### **WOMEN'S EVENT**

'Last Friday night around 80 women from St Andrew's got together for the women's event held at Roseville Public School.

The night was themed 'Stories of Faith' because, as we know, God is working meaningfully in all of our lives, weaving together each of our experiences into a life of faith for a purpose. Our stories matter as they point to God and his grace. With that in mind, Janet Cousens was invited to share her story with us. She was expertly interviewed by Anita Savage, and we were all encouraged as we heard about how God has been working in Janet's life and all that she is doing for his glory in her work with 'Act for Peace.'

A highlight was to be reminded that praise and thanks can inspire hope in the face of destruction and devastation. We also enjoyed an excellent talk by Jenny Salt who gave us a flyover view of the book of Ruth; pointing out to us how God was at work in her circumstances and how her story is a powerful testimony to God's faithfulness but also how he works through the lives of individuals to accomplish his saving plans for all humanity.

Ruth is a key figure in the line of David and ultimately in the line of Jesus. It was a powerful talk that encouraged us to trust God each day, knowing that he is faithful.

Many people worked hard to put on a wonderful event with delicious food and precious time to connect. A special thanks to all how contributed to the night especially Heather York, Geraldine Wallbank, Jen Boyd and Anita Savage and their small groups for hosting the evening.



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#### **FAREWELL HURLEY'S**

On Sunday 21st May, we farewelled Allen and Brenda Hurley from ministry at St Andrew's. Allen has played the organ for many years and Brenda has been involved in kids ministry, morning teas and arranging the flowers in church. They will be dearly missed from our fellowship. Here are some photos from the day and the morning tea back at the Yorks House.













## **WELCOME THE TO TONG FAMILY**

On Sunday, we announced that as a result of the 'Kick Start' fundraiser at the end of 2022, we have been able to employ Emily Tong as the Part-Time Assistant Kids Minister.

The bulk of Emily's work will initially be during the week as she helps out with Scripture, Playgroup, HUB next year and preparation for the Sunday ministries. This will move towards her being available on Sundays next year.

Emily was employed under Cath Ahern early on in John Dickson's ministry. So she has a knowledge of St Andrews already and many people here know her.

On Sunday, at the 10:30am service, Emily and her family we able to attend, meet and reconnect with many people at St Andrew's.

Please Praise God for this appointment and pray for Emily as she prepares to join the team, on Monday 29th May.

