

St Andrew's

ROSEVILLE

JANUARY 2024 - SUMMER EDITION #3

St Andrew's Roseville

We are a church that loves Jesus and wants the good news of His death and resurrection proclaimed to all people, so that they can believe in Him. If you would like to know more about following Jesus or about St Andrew's, please visit our website - www.standrews.net.au

Coming Up

15-19 January - REVIVE Summer Camp!

February - Mal returns from long service leave

February - normal kids and youth ministries return

Thursday 8 Feb - Romans intro lecture 7-9pm in the church

Saturday 17 Feb - 6.45pm Big Day In (10am-3pm)

January Services

9.30am

- StAR Kids lite
- Livestreamed

6.00pm

- Combined contemporary service

KICKING OFF 2024

And with that, another year is gone, and we are thrown headfirst into a new year. At present, you might be thinking about your goals for the new year, or what you can do with your 'extra' day on February 29th. You may not be thinking about these things at all, and instead focusing on getting through one day at a time. Wherever you are at this time, let us encourage you to think about how you can grow in your relationship with our great God today, this week, this month, or this year.

During January, we are doing a mini-series called "Love the Lord with your all", each week focusing on loving the Lord with our hearts, soul, mind, strength and loving our neighbour.

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

- Mark 12:28-31

One of the ways you could be implementing this is by praying. Pray for your relationship with God, and for your relationship with others, pray for courage to share the good news of Jesus with your friends, family and neighbours.

Another way could be joining a small group. If you haven't been in a small group in the past, please feel free to chat to Scott Warner, or any of the staff members, so that you can be put in a group for this year. It is never too late to join a small group! Small groups are a great way to explore God's word in a more casual setting, where you can ask questions that you might not have the opportunity to ask on Sundays.

Whatever you do, remember that the source of all love is God, and it is Him who teaches us to love.

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

- 1 John 4.10

Mission Partners

Please be praying for all of our Mission and Aid Partners over the summer holiday period.

- Ben Lim with the Sydney University Evangelical Union, and international students at Sydney uni.



- Jenny Fallon and Dale Williams with SIM



- Malcolm and Leanne with CMS in Vietnam



- Ret. Archbishop Masimango in the Democratic Republic of Congo



- Andrew Browning and the Barbara May Foundation



- John Dickson and the Undeceptions podcast



ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NEWS

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

O Lord who is Love beyond compare,
you are good when you give;
when you take away;
when the sun shine upon us;
and when the night gathers over us.

Your goodness has been with us,
over the course of another year;
your goodness will be with us,
in the year ahead.

Give us a love that precedes,
a love that follows,
and a love that guides -
sustaining us,
equipping us,
and aiding us every hour.

Grant us your wisdom;
to supply our every thought,
to speak our every word,
to guide our every step,
to direct our every work,
and to build up our faith and trust.

We launch our ships upon the unknown waters of this year,
with you, O Father, as our harbour;
with you, O Son, at our helm;
with you, O Spirit, filling our sails.

Give us your grace to grow us,
your comfort to cheer us,
your wisdom to teach us,
your right hand to guide us,
your counsel to instruct us,
your law to guide us,
your presence to strengthen us.

What we have not, give us.
What we know not, teach us.
And who we are not, make us.

Amen.

*Adapted and edited from two prayers - "Year's End" and "New Year"
- from 'The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions', edited by Arthur Bennett (1975)*

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.

ST ANDREW'S IS A NUT FREE ZONE

Please be mindful of those with nut allergies and do not bring anything containing nuts to church.



REVIVE SUMMER CAMP

15th-19th January 2024

Registration is closed! Please pray for the youth attending and all the leaders running the camp.



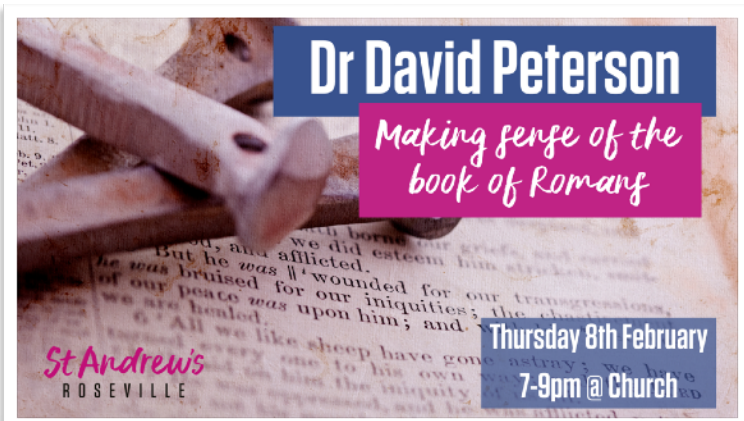
6.45PM BIG DAY IN - SAVE THE DATE

Save the date for our 6.45 Big Day In, thinking through the topic 'Gathering with Purpose'. More details to come.



ROMANS INTRO LECTURE - SAVE THE DATE

Dr David Peterson is giving an introductory lecture to kick off our series on Romans called "Making sense of the book of Romans".



ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE KIDS

StAR Kids Lite

during the holidays at the
9.30am services only.

*Preschoolers and creche in the
Patio Room*

Primary aged kids in the hall

Normal ministries will return in
early February.

ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE YOUTH

*Youth are encouraged to attend
church services with their
parents during the holidays.*

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early February.

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Mal York long service leave:

20th November - 28th January

*Rev. Greg Olliffe will be our locum
during this time*

Ness Hughes leave:

31st December - 11th January

Scott Warner leave:

14th - 22nd January

STAFF TEAM:

Senior Minister
Senior Assistant Minister
Assistant Minister
Children's Minister
Youth Minister
Ministry Support Coordinator
Assistant Children's Minister
Office

PRAYER POINTS

Pray for those who are away on holidays; for safety as they travel and for time to relax and recuperate before going back to school, study or work.

Pray for our staff on leave; pray that they will have a restful time away so that they return to us refreshed and ready for the year ahead.

Pray for Revive Summer Camp; for the youth who are attending and the leaders organising and running the camp. Pray that many youth will come to know the Lord Jesus at this camp, and for those who already know Him, that their faith will be renewed and strengthened.

Pray for the ministries returning in February; for StAR Kids, REVIVE Youth, XTREME, Playgroup, Kopwa, ESL, and small groups. Pray that the leaders of these ministries will return from the holiday break refreshed and excited to lead again this year. Pray that those who attend these ministries will return with an eagerness to serve God, learn about Him, and grow in their faith.

Thanks for reading this edition of the Summer Newsletter! This will be the last edition for the holiday period, with the next edition coming out in early February. You can keep up to date with what's happening at St Andrew's via the website, and during the services each Sunday. Please feel free to contact Amelia via office@standrews.net.au if you have any questions.

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