

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH 2025

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

22 Mar - 'Building our Home' ambassador training 4-6pm

29 Mar - Trivia Night 7.30pm

2 April - Church-Wide Prayer & Praise night 7.30pm @ Church

8-10 April - HUB crafternoons

13 April - HUB set up day

14-17 April - HUB holiday program

12-14 Sept - Church Weekend Away

Elvanto Member Area

The link to set up a log in that we sent a few weeks ago has now expired. If you have not yet set up a log in to Elvanto, please email office@standrews.net.au so we can reissue a new link.

Staff Days Off

Scott Warner - Tuesdays

Ness Hughes - Fridays, Saturdays

Mel Bell - Tuesdays

Indira Ryan - Tuesdays

Emily Tong - Tue, Thurs, Sat, Sun

Amelia Ross - Saturdays, Sundays

SAILING INTO THE WIND

The Life of Faith and the Art of Tacking

There's something counterintuitive about sailing. You'd think that if you wanted to go somewhere, you'd just point the boat in that direction and let the wind carry you. But if the wind is against you, that's impossible. Try it, and all you'll get is a sail flapping uselessly and a boat dead in the water.

Instead, sailors have a different approach: tacking. It's the art of zigzagging against the wind—angling first one way, then the other—so that, over time, you still make progress toward your destination. You don't fight the wind directly; you work with it, adjusting constantly, making progress in a way that doesn't feel direct but is, in fact, the only way forward.

It strikes me that this is exactly what life and ministry feel like. We know where we want to go—toward faithfulness, toward fruitfulness, toward the kingdom of God. But life rarely offers us a straight path. We encounter headwinds: setbacks, discouragement, unanswered prayers, opposition, exhaustion. We long for a tailwind—but more often than not, the wind is against us.

Think of Jesus' ministry. He didn't march straight from Nazareth to Jerusalem and declare himself King. He moved from town to town, teaching, healing, revealing the kingdom in unexpected ways. He spoke in parables, teaching truths indirectly. He encountered popularity and opposition. As we approach Easter, I note Jesus' path must tack around the cross and the grave before glory.

Or think of Paul. His missionary journeys were full of tacking—doors opening and closing. He had a destination in mind, but how he got there was anything but straightforward. His path was marked by shipwrecks, imprisonments, and detours—but through them, the gospel spread.

So if you feel like the wind is against you or us, take heart. That doesn't mean we're off course. Maybe it just means it's time to tack.

Grace and Peace,

David Rietveld Acting Senior Minister

MISSION PARTNERS

Please pray for Dr. Andrew Browning and his work with the Barbara May Foundation



Ethiopia - Afar

- Val and her colleagues seem to face one crisis after another.
 The famine continues and there is next to no external help. There's much to pray for.
- Late last year there were multiple earthquakes damaging a dam wall and forcing around 40,000 people to be evacuated.
- Gives thanks that Dr David MacFarlane has returned to the hospital in Mille to give Dr Omer a break. Dr Margaret McDougald is also visiting after a long break.
- God willing Andrew will be in Afar in a few weeks where some fistula patients are already there waiting for treatment. Please pray for them.

Ethiopia - Bahir Dar

 Andrew hopes to visit Barhirar in a couple of weeks. The conflict in the area continues, please pray for our staff and patients, for safety and trust in our Lord.

Uganda

- Construction continues on the hospital in Pader that BMF are partnering with through the Te Kworo Foundation and the Sonic Healthcare Foundation. The opening date will be in September.
- Please pray for guidance as they look for a medical director.

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NEWS

Prayer Points

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 project.

Please pray for our Sunday Ministries:

- 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 Worldwide Anglican Communion

- Praise God that many Anglican Churches around the world desire to take a stand on the authority of Scripture.
- Pray that as they do, they will do it in such a way that speaks of love, grace and humility, so that they are wise in the way they act towards outsiders.
- Be with our Bishops as they make decisions for the church and speak to the world on our behalf on these issues. Pray that they will reflect Christ in the way they speak.

Please pray for each other:

• Please pray for the 6:45pm 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**

WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING

There is a Weekly Morning Prayer Meeting on every Wednesday 7.30-8am http://tiny.cc/730amPrayer

CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER & PRAISE NIGHT

On Wednesday April 2nd from 7:30-8:30pm, we will have our first church wide Prayer & Praise event for 2025! It's going to be an exciting opportunity for us to look back with gratitude for the many ministries that have taken place and the many lives God has changed under the roof of our about-to-be renovated hall. It is right to reflect upon and celebrate all God has done, is doing and will do. We'll sing, pray, tell stories and hear testimonies, which will bring glory to God and be good for our souls. See you there!

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.

To contribute to our Hall Redevelopment, visit:

standrews.net.au/building-a-home

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

Parish Council & Wardens 2025

Wardens

Alys Martin (10.30am) Luke Hall (10.30am) Aaron Black (5pm)

Treasurer

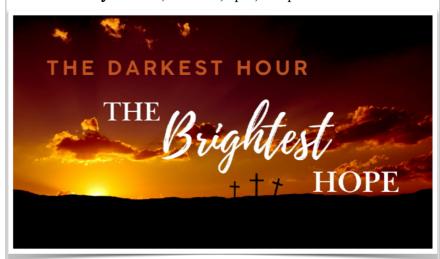
David Vidilini (10.30am)

Parish Council

Ursula Keen (8.30am)
Narelle Barbarino (10.30am)
Helen Vernon (10.30am)
Andrew Loel (10.30am)
Adrian Perry (10.30am)
Ed Shaw (10.30am)
Varya Davidson (5pm)
Craig Roberts (6.45pm)

EASTER @ ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE

Good Friday: 8.30am (traditional) 10.30am (all-ages) **Easter Sunday:** 8.30am, 10.30am, 5pm, 6.45pm



CHURCH TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 29th March 7.30pm in the Church

The church trivia night is fast approaching. Come along for a night of fun & friendship. Have you booked yet? Tickets close Mon 24th Mar. https://www.trybooking.com/CZONZ

If you would like to be on a team with certain people, you can either arrange for someone in your team to book a whole table for your team (\$120) or you can book and pay separately (\$15pp) and list the names of the people you would like to be on a table with.

Note: Tables consist of 8 people.



HUB Holiday Program

See the last page for details on how you can serve at HUB!



ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE KIDS

Playgroup

Thursdays 10am-12pm

Xtreme

Years 4-6

3.15 - 5pm

StAR Kids program

Sundays 10.30am

ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE YOUTH

REVIVE

Fridays 6.30 - 8.30pm

Jnr Youth Bible Study

During the 10.30am & 5pm services

Snr Sundays

Years 10-12 6pm Prayer Time Snr Youth (years 10-12) are also encouraged to attend the 6.45pm service

EVERYDAY ENGLISH CLASSES

Everyday English classes are held weekly during term time.

Thursdays 10am-12pm

STAFF TEAM:

Interim Senior Minister
Assistant Minister
Assistant Minister
Assistant Minister (Children & Families)
Youth Minister
Ministry Support Coordinator
Assistant Children's Minister
Student Minister
MTS Trainee
Office

FREE STUFF!

In the Blue Room in the hall, there is a collection of items that we no longer need but are too good to be thrown away. Please feel free to come to the blue room anytime the hall is open on Sunday or during our midweek ministries and help yourself to anything that you can give a new home to.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

The Parish Council considered matters arising from AGM.

Looking at a new model for Mission & Aid - to be discussed in the April Parish Council meeting.

The Council thanked the previous Property Committee and reconstituted a new committee; Property Committee Construction Phase, with terms of reference to be approved at the next meeting. Seeking opportunities to develop and better support the staff team.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY!



Fri 12th - Sun 14th September, at Katoomba Convention Centre

This will be an essential time for us all to gather in fellowship as a wider church family, amidst all the changes happening this year.

PARISH NOMINATORS

Would you like to contact the nominators? If so, please e-mail: nominators@standrews.net.au

Rick Seton (8.30am) S Alwin Chin (10.30am) T Anne Judd (5pm)

Stuart Shinfield (5pm) Tori Grimes (6.45pm)

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Hey church!

We are gearing up for HUB Holiday Program 2025 and cannot wait to welcome (God willing) 200+ kids from our community to hear the news of the Saviour of the whole world; Jesus Christ.



But of course, a program this big is not possible without a lot of help!

Whether you can bake morning tea, greet parents, make coffees, help with logistics; every little bit matters and is work that is not in vain because its for the Lord! So please have a look at the details below and consider how you will serve at HUB this year to see the gospel of Jesus go out into our local community.

Key dates

Crafternoons

Tue 8th, Wed 9th, Thurs 10th April | from 3pm

Sat 12th April | from 10am

Set up Day: Sun 13th April, 11:30am

HUB 2025: Monday 14th — Thursday 17th April 2025

Pack Up Night: Thurs 17th April, from 4pm

Book now!

https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1292594

WAYS TO SERVE		When?
Prayer	Receive prayer points and pray!	Feb - April
Letterbox Drop	Take a bundle distribute flyers on the allocated streets	Through February
Invite kids and families!	Take some business cards and hand them out to families you know!	Through February
Community	Greet and get to know parents during check in	Any day of HUB 8am-10am
Morning tea	Make 50 portions of morning tea	
Catering	Help prep and pack MT, Lunch and arvo tea	Any day of HUB 9am- 1pm
Logistics	Help with set up, cleaning, resetting and general logistics onsite	Any day of HUB 8am-4pm
Set Up	Load cars, trailers and set up HUB at RPS!	Sunday 13th April, 11:30am
Pack Up	Pack up and get everything stored back at church	Thursday 17th April, 4pm



