

# St Andrew's ROSEVILLE

## SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 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](http://www.standrews.net.au)

### Coming Up

**10 Aug** - 8.30am garden ramble & lunch

**16 Aug** - Bush Walk

**17 Aug** - Kingdom Conversation with Jenny Salt @ 5pm

**17 Aug** - Confirmation @ 6.45pm

**18 Aug** - The First Hymn private screening

**12-14 Sept** - Church Weekend Away

### 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

### THE MASTER AND HIS EMISSARY:

### WHAT THE DIVIDED BRAIN CAN TEACH THE CHURCH

Dr Iain McGilchrist, in *The Master and His Emissary*, offers a compelling view of how the brain's two hemispheres shape the world we inhabit. Not in the pop-psychology sense of "left is logical, right is creative," but in how each hemisphere attends to reality.

The left brain narrows its focus. It breaks things down, analyses, categorises, and seeks control. It revels in clarity, certainty, systems, and measurable outcomes. That's not bad - it's essential. We need it to count, plan, and execute.

The right brain, however, opens up. It perceives context, metaphor, beauty, and meaning. It's relational and attentive to the whole. It sees connections rather than compartments. Crucially, it is the first and more primary mode of attention—grounding our understanding in lived, embodied experience before abstracting it.

McGilchrist warns that when left-brain thinking dominates, societies become technocratic, procedural, and disenchanted. We lose a sense of mystery, moral imagination, and even the sacred. Everything becomes a problem to solve, not a relationship to steward. When this happens to a culture (or church), this is a cause for concern.

A left-brain church focuses on metrics, models, governance, and theological precision. In the process, it can become structured, rigid, and dry. Right-brain attentiveness, by contrast, brings back humility, wonder, and worship. It recovers the poetry of Scripture, the embodiment of the sacraments, and the power of narrative and symbol. It reminds us that faith isn't merely a system to believe but a person to trust.

We need both hemispheres - or as Paul suggest, we need all parts of the body. Strategy matters, but so does presence and connection. Doctrine matters, but so does awe.

So perhaps we ask: are we managing ministry or cultivating it? Are we reading Scripture like an encyclopaedia, or entering its drama? Are we shaping churches for order or intimacy?

We need the left brain to build. But we need the right brain to know why it matters. McGilchrist reminds us, the right hemisphere is more suited to being "the master". The left is designed to serve, not rule. It is the emissary. There is a place for structures and strategy - serving the body.

At times we get this out of balance. I suspect we are not the first. Perhaps this is what Jesus meant by the Sabbath was made for mankind, not mankind for the Sabbath.

Grace & peace,  
David Rietveld

## MISSION PARTNERS

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



- Pray for the people of Afar, facing severe drought, widespread malaria, and a resurgence of cholera, along with ongoing threats of conflict.
- Lift up the malnourished pregnant and lactating mothers, over 50% of whom are at risk, along with their babies.
- Thank God for donors who are enabling emergency maternal nutrition support and water trucking in Afar, especially as most government and NGO services have withdrawn.
- Praise God for the ambulance service, which continues to save lives daily in Ethiopia by bringing women in labour to hospital safely.
- Pray for the staff and patients at VMC in Barhirdar, where curfews, health worker strikes, and closed services have led to record numbers of deliveries.
- Pray for continued protection and energy for the VMC staff, who remain dedicated to their patients and community despite inflation and tough conditions.

## WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING

There is a Weekly Morning Prayer online meeting every Wednesday 7.30-8am

<http://tiny.cc/730amPrayer>

## Prayer Points

*Please pray for the work of Scripture in Schools:*

- For Scripture at Roseville Public School.
- That the students will grow in their understanding of Jesus and that it might cause them to attend a local church with their families.
- For those who teach the students and pray that God will sustain them as they do so.

*Please pray for our Belonging to one another:*

- That we will be a church that helps people who come to feel they belong
- Pray for wisdom as we welcome people on site and that every member of the church will be looking to welcome and include new people
- Pray especially for our welcome programs such as the 'belonging' and 'newish' lunches. Pray that we might become a church that looks to show hospitality to one another and build authentic relationships with each other.
- Pray that we will be known as a church that loves Jesus and each other.

*Please pray for all Churches in Australia:*

- For the many churches that meet, not just in Sydney, but around Australia.
- Pray for the salvation of Australians and pray that Australian churches may be a good witness of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Pray that God will protect the churches in Australia from false teaching and protect those who minister in them from the work of the evil one.
- Pray that the churches of Australia might unite under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, by his Spirit, so that we can show a unified message of Salvation.

*Please pray for each other:*

- For the 10:30am congregation
- That out of God's glorious riches, will be strengthened with power through your Spirit in their inner being, so that Christ may dwell in their hearts through faith. And we pray that they, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that they may be filled to the measure of all your fullness. **AMEN.**

## PARISH NOMINATORS

Please pray for our nominators as they look for our future Senior Minister. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the nominators via the email address below.

Rick Seton (8.30am) Alwin Chin (10.30am) Stu Shinfield (5pm)

Anne Judd (5pm) Tori Grimes (6.45pm)

[nominators@standrews.net.au](mailto:nominators@standrews.net.au)

## BETH BOYD - MTS

Beth Boyd from our 6.45pm congregation is currently doing a Ministry Apprenticeship and studying at Youthworks College. If you would like to receive regular updates and prayer points from Beth, visit the link below to opt-in to Beth's newsletter.

<http://tiny.cc/BethMTS>

## ELVANTO TIP

You can now access the roster for August via the Elvanto Member Area. Simply log in via [standrews.elvanto.com.au](https://standrews.elvanto.com.au) or the via the app, and click on 'Roster'.

## 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 [safeministryrep@standrews.net.au](mailto:safeministryrep@standrews.net.au)

## RECYCLING TIP

Recycling of some common items is still possible through St Andrew's Roseville.

Since the 'recycling station' has moved from the hall, very little recycling has been collected. It is hoped that everyone is still diligently recycling through other locations.

A reminder that the St Andrew's 'recycling station' is now under the covered walkway in front of the church offices and is located outside Amelia's office.

There are boxes in the 'recycling station' for household batteries, mobile phones, printer toner and ink cartridges, unwanted spectacles in good condition, plastic bread tags for wheelchairs, single use toiletry items for Wayside, second hand books for Lifeline and postage stamps for CMS.



## DINNER CHURCH - 5PM & 6.45PM

Last Sunday we enjoyed dinner church at 5pm and 6:45pm! With the loss of the use of the hall for now, we have had to be creative with how we can enjoy building community across a Sunday, and our evening services have loved doing church together around a meal! We still enjoyed all the things that make a gathering 'church', hearing God's word read and explained, prayer, praise, and communion, but we also enjoyed extra time to chat and get to know each other more deeply. Thank you to everyone who came and helped to make it possible!



## 'BROKEN TO BLESSED' - EVANGELISM TRAINING

Please note that 7th August is the last night of training, as David has combined the content from the 7th with the content he would have used next week (14th).

## 8.30am - Garden Ramble and Lunch

On **Sunday 10th August** from 10 am to 3 pm they will be holding our final 2025 Camellia Open Sunday. During Camellia Open Sunday Eryldene is open for visitors to:

- stroll the garden at their leisure – there are no formal garden tours
- purchase a ticket for a guided House Tour

The entry fee for seniors \$10. Tickets can be purchased online if people choose to do it this way.

**We have the Gordon Golf club booked at 12 midday.** The address and details are: Gordon Golf Club Woodlands Bistro

2 Lynn Ridge Ave, Gordon NSW 2072

**Please RSVP to Ursula Keen by August 8, 2025 and advise of any dietary needs.**

## SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday 11th August 7.30pm in the Church.**

All parishioners aged 18 years and over who have usually been a regular worshippers at St. Andrew's for at least three months of the preceding twelve months, are baptised and not members of any other church, are welcome to attend, take part in any debate and vote on any matter at the meeting. The purpose of this special general meeting is to discuss the feedback received from the recent Mission and Aid giving survey, and general church finances.

## 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](mailto:accounts@standrews.net.au).

*To contribute to our Hall Redevelopment, visit:*

[standrews.net.au/building-a-home](http://standrews.net.au/building-a-home)

## 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)

## BUSH WALK

Why not come along and enjoy the company and fellowship of fellow walkers, as we walk along the South Head Heritage Trail, with its stunning ocean views from cliffs and lookouts. We will visit Camp Cove where Governor Phillip first landed in 1788, the Hornby Lighthouse, as well as viewing many of the 19th Century gun placements and the infamous 'Gap'.

We will travel to Watson's Bay using public transport, travelling by train, tram and ferry. The walk itself is 3 – 4 km, and would be considered an easy walk with few steps or hills. If you decide to have lunch at Watson's Bay after the walk in nearby Robertson Park, the return journey to Roseville Station would be approximately 5 hours. If you do not stay for lunch the round trip would take about 4 hours.

**When: Saturday August 16**

**Meeting place: East Side of Roseville Station (Hill St)**

**Meeting time: 8:45am (to catch a 9:03 train)**

It would be helpful if you could indicate your intention to walk by texting Nick Barbarino,

0414 521 575



## KINGDOM CONVERSATIONS

**5pm has planned another 'Kingdom Conversation' for Sunday 17th August with speaker Jenny Salt.** Kingdom Conversations are

special opportunities to hear from a guest with some kind of life or faith experience who bring a unique perspective to the sermon series we are working through. Jenny Salt offers great biblical depth having been on staff at SMBC for a number of years and is a gifted communicator. In her current role as the Associate to the Archdeacon for Women in the Sydney Anglican Diocese, she is regularly thinking through how God's word shapes the life of his followers. Jenny will be speaking on Ruth 4, closing our series 'Broken to Blessed.' All are welcome to join us! It's a great day to come to church twice.

## CONFIRMATION SERVICE

On **Sunday 17th August during the 6.45pm Service**, a number of our young people from Revive Youth will be getting confirmed! The Bishop for the Northern Region, Chris Edwards will be taking the confirmation service and will also be preaching. Everyone is welcome to come along and support these young people confirming their allegiance to Christ. Please pray for them as they prepare to confirm the promises made for them at their baptism, bravely in front of friends and family.

## ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE KIDS

### Playgroup

Thursdays 10am - 12pm

### Xtreme

Years 4-6

Fridays 3.15 - 5.30pm

### StAR Kids program

Sundays 10.30am

## ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE YOUTH

### REVIVE

Fridays 6.30 - 8.30pm

*This week Revive is meeting at St Stephen's Willoughby!*

### Jnr Youth Bible Study

Sundays during 10.30am & 5pm

Years 7-9

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

In the office @ 1 Bancroft Ave

## 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

## CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY

Escape the relentless grind and experience God's relentless grace at our church weekend away!

**Guest speaker: Mark Calder**

**Dates: 12-14 September**

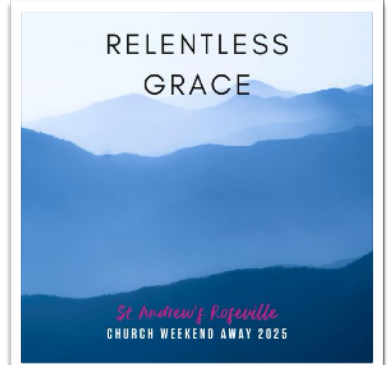
**Location: Katoomba**

Register here:

[www.trybooking.com/DCXLB](http://www.trybooking.com/DCXLB)

**Registration closes Mon 25th August**

*We do not want the cost to be a barrier for you coming along so please let a staff member know if you need some financial support in order to come along.*



## THE FIRST HYMN - PRIVATE SCREENING

John Dickson has kindly offered members of St Andrew's Roseville a private screening of *The First Hymn* documentary!

**Monday 18th August 6.30pm at Roseville Cinema**

*(the screening will commence at 7pm)*

**Tickets: \$25 pp - includes a movie ticket & a snack**

Tickets are available via the link below. Seats are limited so book today and don't miss out! John Dickson will be there and will be giving us the 'Director's Intro' and will be with us for Q&A after the screening. You won't get this at the Hoyts public screening!

<https://www.trybooking.com/DDNGH>

We are planning to start singing *The First Hymn* in church soon, so if you haven't already, why don't you have a listen to the recording via the links below?

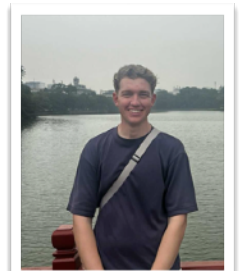
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTyJu9lyVkJ>

<https://open.spotify.com/track/1Azri3vJMTThJNOJF90Tv8m?si=651dfb2f09f348fd>

## EVERYDAY SAINTS OF SAINT ANDREW'S

This week we would like to introduce you to Jeremy, a member of our 6.45pm congregation.

Jeremy has been attending St Andrew's and a 6.45pm Small Group for over a year now and actively serves behind the scenes in various ways. Recently he contributed to our curry-themed Dinner Church by cooking a delicious Butter chicken with a touch of spice.



Please join us in thanking God for Jeremy and his generous service to us. May God continue to work in and through him, for His Glory.

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