

St Andrew's

ROSEVILLE

SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 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

12-14 Sept - Church Weekend Away (tickets are closed)

14 Sep - one service @ St Andrew's - 8.30am

Staff Leave

Indira Ryan: maternity leave starting 1st September 2025

Mel Bell: 18 Sept - 22 Oct

WHAT'S OUR KAUPAPA?

I was in New Zealand recently, and as often happens when I travel, I found myself picking up words that don't quite translate into English. One of those is kaupapa.

Coming from Dutch heritage, I understand how words can carry a different semantic range — not just a single “meaning,” but a world of associations. When my extended family still uses Dutch vocab, we do so because there is no English word or single thought that is equivalent. Words can be vessels that carry over whole ways of seeing life.

Kaupapa is like that. At one level, it means “purpose” or “agenda.” But it's much broader. It's the set of guiding principles that shape a people. It's moral weight, not just pragmatic choice. And it's collective — something you do with others, not just a private mission statement you hang on your office wall.

It reminded me of the biblical story. Israel had a kaupapa — a shared purpose — as they journeyed together through the wilderness towards the promised land. They weren't just individuals making decisions. They were a people shaped by God's promises, living under his law, sustained by his presence. In the New Testament, the church inherits that same collective orientation. We're not just a gathering of like-minded individuals; we're a body, called and carried forward by the Spirit towards new creation.

As Westerners, we can be deeply preoccupied with the what. We love decisionism: What's the plan? What are the goals? What's the action point? All of that has its place, but it easily becomes thin. Kaupapa pushes us back to the why — to convictions, values, and principles that endure even when strategies change.

Stephen Covey once wrote, “The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing.” That's close, but kaupapa is deeper. It says the main thing isn't just efficiency or clarity of focus. The main thing is to live in alignment with what is tika — what is right, just, true — and to do so as a people.

For churches, that's both freeing and challenging. Freeing, because we don't have to chase every shiny program. Challenging, because it means rediscovering our kaupapa — the gospel of Jesus as King, shaping our shared life and calling us forward.

So perhaps the question isn't “What's the plan?” but “What's our kaupapa?”

Grace & peace,

David Rietveld

(Acting) Senior Minister

MISSION PARTNERS

Please pray for Dr Andrew Browning and the Barbara May Foundation



- Give thanks for Barney and Liz Goodall and their children, who have arrived safely in Arusha, Tanzania. Pray for them as they settle into life and ministry, with Liz beginning work as an obstetrician and fistula surgeon and Barney as a non-clinical director.
- Praise God for His provision of a new project supervisor for the hospital construction in Uganda, bringing fresh energy to the work.
- Thank God for the appointment of a contractor for the hospital build in Chamwino, Tanzania, and pray for the right project supervisor to be assigned.
- Pray for the Afar region of Ethiopia, where drought continues to cause hunger and loss of animal herds. Praise God for small, localized rainfall and pray for lasting relief.
- Give thanks for the patients treated in Afar and pray for wisdom as the team seeks to develop neonatal care, particularly for premature babies.
- Give thanks for the busy and fruitful camp in Juba, South Sudan, where 46 women were treated, and rejoice that Tensa, a returning patient, is now cured and full of gratitude to God.

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.
- For the churches in the Bathurst Diocese with special thanks for Mark Calder and the work he is doing there to revitalise churches in the Central West.
- 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 Church Weekend Away, that it is a time of encouragement and rest. Pray especially for our safety and that our gatherings around God's word are fruitful and edifying.
- For our whole church family as we meet and worship across two sites, for those who meet at home in Roseville, and those in Katoomba, that there is still a sense of our common fellowship in the Lord. **AMEN.**

WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING

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

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

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 safeministryrep@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)

SUNDAY SERVICE: 14TH SEPTEMBER

On Sunday 14th September, several of us will be in Katoomba at our Church Weekend Away. We are holding a service here on that Sunday for those who cannot attend the weekend away. The service will be a traditional morning prayer service at 8.30am, and Nigel Gray from St Swithun's Pymble will be preaching. All are welcome. If you would like to attend the service with your family, please note that children and youth will be in for the whole service.

HELP NEEDED: SERMON ARCHIVE PROJECT

We're looking for someone willing to give an hour or so per week who can help tidy up our archive of sermon recordings, working with us to set up a better system going forward. If you enjoy digital organisation and would like to serve in this practical way, please get in touch by emailing office@standrews.net.au

Required skills: YouTube Studio, Wordpress, audio editing.

KOPWA GARDENING DAY

Our local nursing home Kopwa (Trafalgar Ave, Roseville) is holding a Community Gardening Day and would love some help! Please see the flyer below and RSVP to Alexandra if you can join in. We have a wonderful relationship with the Kopwa community and the precious privilege of ministering to their residents. What a lovely way to express our care for them in this practical way! Thank you in advance for your contribution.

Community Gardening Day MONDAY 22 SEPT 1-3PM

JOIN TOGETHER WITH RESIDENTS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO PLANT OUR SPRING GARDEN

BRING YOUR GLOVES, TROWEL & ANY PLANTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO THE COLLECTION. WE WILL PROVIDE PLENTY OF FLOWERS, WEEDS TO BE PULLED, AND ICE CREAM.

KIDS WELCOME

RSVP: AJAFFRAY@KOPWA.ORG.AU

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

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

THE FIRST HYMN FILM - FINAL CHANCE

Mon 15 September 6:15pm sharp! (Doors 5:45pm)

Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace

380 Military Road, Cremorne

Watch the film, then stay for a Q&A session with John Dickson and a special musical performance by First Hymn co-writer Ben Fielding!

Visit the Orpheum website to book tickets.



ANGLICARE EMERGENCY APPEAL

14,788 families risk losing access to critical services on 1 October.

The Federal Government recently made significant changes to how it funds services for people in crisis, which has impacted many large charities like Anglicare with little notice.

If you would like to make a donation to Anglicare to help support people in crisis, visit <https://www.anglicare.org.au/donate/>

RECYCLING TIP : STAMPS FOR CMS

Did you know that even commonly used (and unused) postage stamps have a monetary value and can be sold to interested collectors around the world.

Church Missionary Society (CMS) in the last financial (and the previous two years) has raised more than \$30,000 from the sale of postage stamps. All money raised provides financial support for Missionaries working in Australia and around the world.

Individual stamps and / or albums can be placed in the drop box outside Amelia's office, 1 Bancroft Ave.

Please leave used undamaged stamps on paper, ensuring there is at least 3.5mm of paper around the stamp.

If you would like further information about donating stamps, please contact Peter Mackay (0405505469) for further information.

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>

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