

# St Andrew's

## ROSEVILLE

### NEWSLETTER - FRIDAY 6 MARCH 2026

#### 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:

**8 Mar** - Dinner Church (5pm & 6.45pm)

**11 Mar** - Prayer & Praise Night

**14 Mar** - Bush Walk 7:30am

**14 Mar** - Church Trivia Night 7:30pm

**23 Mar** - AGM

**29 Mar** - Kingdom Conversation with Melanie Lovell

*Pick up a key dates flyer at Church this Sunday!*

#### Staff Leave

**Amelia Ross** - 17 Mar - 29 Apr

**Ness Hughes** - 24 - 30 Mar

#### BELONGING, MATURITY & OUTREACH

Dear St Andrew's,

Last Sunday, I had a really enjoyable time at our Belonging Lunch. There was something very fitting about sitting around a table with a group of newcomers, talking about what St Andrew's is all about – because, in one sense, I was one of the newcomers too. As your new Senior Minister, I'm still finding my feet, learning names, hearing stories, and getting a feel for the life of this church. So it was a real pleasure to share that time together.

As we talked, I was struck again by the clarity and warmth of St Andrew's vision: that we are **growing disciples of Jesus Christ through belonging, maturity and outreach.**

I love that vision because it is both simple, substantial and not something we have invented for ourselves. It grows out of Jesus' own words in the Great Commission - a way of expressing Christ's own vision for his church. It reminds us that church is not just about turning up to a service, nor simply about keeping existing things going. We are here to help people belong to Jesus and his people, to grow to maturity in Christ, and to reach out with the good news of Christ to the world around us. That is what we want to be on about together.

It also helps explain how our staff team is structured.

Each part of that vision has a particular staff "champion." **Ness** gives leadership to **Belonging** – helping us think about welcome, connection and how people are genuinely folded into the life of the church. **Scott** gives leadership to **Maturity** – helping us grow as disciples through Bible teaching, training, small groups and service. I give leadership to **Outreach** – helping us think and pray about how we share the gospel beyond ourselves.

At the same time, our staff also have responsibility for particular congregations or demographics. I am the congregational pastor for the **8.30am** congregation. **Ness and Scott** together oversee the **10.30am** congregation. **Ness** looks after the **5.00pm** congregation, and **Scott** the **6.45pm** congregation. And **Mel** leads our **kids and youth ministry**, which is such a vital part of our church's present and future.

You could call this a kind of **matrix structure**. That sounds a bit technical, but the heart behind it is actually very simple. We want every congregation to be known and cared for. We want every ministry to be supported and overseen. We want every person to know who is responsible for their pastoral care, and every area of ministry to have clear leadership. In other words, we want to do our best to make sure that no person – and no ministry – falls through the cracks.

That is the plan, anyway, by God's grace.

Blessings,  
James

## Mission & Aid Partners

*Please pray for Ben Lim and his ministry with international students at Sydney University via SUEU FOCUS*



- Give thanks for a fun & fruitful week away orienting and getting to know new staff in Katoomba at Staff Conference
- Please pray for ongoing wisdom, humility and grace in all the EU faculty communities to welcome and love people from all cultural backgrounds.
- Give thanks that Tim and Mario are euFOCUS Howies this year.
- Pray that God would strengthen them to be diligent with support raising at this time, and that God would provide all they need through generous ministry partners.
- Pray that they would grow in their knowledge of and trust in God's deep love for us in Jesus, that they would be godly and humble models for euFOCUS students.
- Give thanks for the euFOCUS Student committee, led by Nael and Susie.
- Pray that God will lead them to meet many new international students whom he is working in, preparing them even now by his Spirit to want to know Jesus and his gospel.

## 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.**

## WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING

There is a weekly morning prayer meeting (online) every Wednesday 7:30-8:00am. All are welcome. Please visit the link below to join the meeting. <http://tiny.cc/730amPrayer>

## BETH BOYD - MTS

If you would like to receive regular updates and prayer points from Beth, our MTS worker, visit the link below.

<http://tiny.cc/BethMTS>

## 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-at-home](https://standrews.net.au/building-at-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](mailto: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)

## DINNER CHURCH - 5PM & 6:45PM

**Sunday 8 March, during the 5pm and 6:45pm services**

On Sunday 8 March we are having another 'Dinner Church'. This is a great opportunity to invite your non-Christian friends to church.

Please bring \$5 to help cover the cost of dinner. For new people/visitors - dinner is on us!

## PRAYER & PRAISE NIGHT

**Wednesday 11 March 7.30-8.30pm**

A night of worship, fellowship, and giving everything to the Lord in prayer, across all congregations. We would love to see you there!



## CHURCH TRIVIA NIGHT - FINAL DAY TO BOOK TICKETS!

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

**Tickets close at midnight on Friday 6 March - so book now before you miss out!**

Join us for a fun night of trivia and fellowship, hosted by members of our church family. **Adults (18+)** from our church and wider community are very welcome – invite friends and neighbours!

Teams are tables of 8. You can:

- Book a table of 8 to sit together, or
- Book an individual ticket and be placed on a table.

Cost: \$15 per person

*(includes a glass of sparkling wine/mineral water on arrival)*

Feel free to bring extra drinks or snacks for your table (please no nuts due to allergies).

We're looking forward to a great evening together!



**ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE KIDS**

**Playgroup**

Thursdays 10am-12pm during the school term, in the Kelman Room

**Xtreme**

Years 4-6

Fridays 3:15-5:30pm

**StAR Kids program**

Sundays 10:30am Service

**ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE YOUTH**

**REVIVE**

Years 7-12

Fridays 6:30-8:30pm

**Jnr Youth Bible Study**

Years 7-9

Sundays during 10:30am and 5pm services

*Snr Youth (years 10-12) are 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:**

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

**KINGDOM CONVERSATION WITH MELANIE LOVELL**

**Sunday 29 March at the 5pm Service**

Our next 5pm Kingdom Conversation is planned for March 29th at our 5pm service. Kingdom Conversations draw on the experience and expertise of a guest speaker to help us mature in our thinking and equip us for Christian living. This time we have invited Melanie Lovell, a Palliative Medicine Physician who is a faithful Christian woman with extensive experience in the field of pain management and end-of-life suffering.

This will be a thoughtful and pastoral conversation led by a Christian medical specialist with many years of experience caring for people at the end of life. Melanie will also discuss Voluntary Assisted Dying, including how it is being used and some of the evidence surrounding its impact.

Our aim isn't to tell people what to think, but to help us think Christianly – with wisdom, gentleness, and love – about an issue that touches many families personally.

We recognise this can be a sensitive topic, especially for those who have experienced recent loss or serious illness but think it is wise and beneficial to be equipped for such difficult seasons. We will approach it with care.

We'd love you to join us.

**YEAR 13 WELCOME DINNER**

Last Sunday after the 6.45pm service, a number of our newly-graduated young adults (Year 13's) enjoyed dinner together, and were formally welcomed into the adults' ministry of 6.45.



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# HUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM IS BACK!

We are so looking forward to sharing Jesus with our community throughout the week of HUB and the many families who will join us.

Every single way you serve is so impactful and meaningful: your prayers, your baking, your time spent greeting parents, your help on the ground - it all serves God, His Kingdom, and facilitates this wonderful week going ahead.

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: Wed 8, Thurs 9, Fri 10 April - from 12pm
- Final Prep day: Sat 11 April, from 10am
- Set Up Day: Sun 12 April, 11:30am
- HUB 2026: Mon 13 - Thurs 16 April
- Pack up Night: Thurs 16 April, 4pm



Tickets & the sign up form are all available on the HUB website: <https://standrews.net.au/hub/>

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

Sign up to one of our HUB Teams here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040944AEA82CA7F49-61225193-hubholiday#/>