

# Bulletin



**WELCOME** We love to welcome visitors and newcomers to St John's! If you are visiting today or here for the first time, please fill in a visitors' card and place it in the offertory or Staff Message Box, and stay to say hello after the service.

April 10, 2011

## THE CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY

“STILL ONE CHURCH - ALWAYS ONE FAMILY”



April 29-May 1  
at Rathane



pick up your information/registration form  
today!



At Sutherland Oval  
Tuesday April 12 to  
Friday April 15  
1.30pm-5pm  
Register online at  
[www.soccercamps.org.au](http://www.soccercamps.org.au)

**JOHN'S PLACE  
GRAND  
OPENING!  
Friday April 15  
7-10pm  
Band Night**

# PRAYER POINTS

**Prayer for our World** Pray for our world, which seems to be getting crazier ... internal fighting in Libya and Ivory Coast, more civilian deaths in Afghanistan, another after-shock in Japan, shootings in Sydney, sex scandals in football and army barracks ... pray that Christians will hold fast and have opportunities to minister God's grace in troubled times.

**Prayer for our Church** Pray for the Vision & Leadership Team, as they oversee the continuing development of the vision, and as we prepare for the changes which will occur this year. Pray that we will hold fast to the vision as we move forward to the future.

## SUNDAY

**MORNING & DRV SERVICES** Today is the first Sunday of the school holidays, and Rod Harding will be preaching a topical 'one-off' sermon, on the much-debated issue of the biblical role of women in the ministry of the church as applied to our 21st century Australian culture.

**7PM SERVICE** At the evening service tonight, we welcome Charlie Burke as our guest speaker. His sermon is titled "The Way Ahead Without a Map".

## THIS WEEK

**Congratulations to those celebrating!**

- Sunday 10** Rhys Williams
- Monday 11** Pam Grove  
Theresa Tran
- Tuesday 12** Dot Coves  
Pat Clark  
Emma & Chris Reeve
- Wednesday 13** Lily Cameron  
Barbara Thomas
- Thursday 14** Tim Venum
- Saturday 16** Mike Daniels

**MU** will meet at Woolooware Shores on Tuesday this week. Meeting at 11am in the Tranquility Room opposite the Cafe and then followed by lunch in the Cafe, cost \$10. All welcome! If you need a lift please contact Margaret Bourne (9521 6008).

**AMBASSADORS IN SPORT SOCCER CAMP** This Tuesday, April 12 to Friday April 15, 1.30pm-5pm at Sutherland Oval. It's not too late to register, so check out the website [www.soccercamps.org.au](http://www.soccercamps.org.au), pick up a flyer from the church entrance or speak with Michelle Ritchie (9520 2524) for further details - scholarships available. We are still in need of 2 assistant coaches and some BBQ chefs and servers for the Presentation BBQ from 5.30pm on Friday, here at St John's.

**7PM FOCUS GROUP** meets on Tuesday this week, 7.30 - 9pm in church house. If you want to be involved in the development of this service, please attend.

**JOHN'S PLACE GRAND OPENING** Friday April 15, 7 - 10pm, with local youth bands participating in a band night. Entry \$5. Please support John's Place with prayer and by spreading the word.

## NEXT SUNDAY

**MORNING & DRV SERVICES** Next Sunday, Ian Forest-Jones will be preaching, focusing on the lead up to Easter. Ian will speak on the topic, 'How can God Suffer?'

**7PM SERVICE** At the evening service next Sunday, Rod Harding will be continuing the series 'Unlocking the Bible Story'. speaking on the theme 'Law' from Exodus 20.

## COMING EVENTS

**CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY – “Still One Church – Always One Family” - ONLY 3 WEEKS TO GO!** Yes – the Weekend Away is on April 29 – May 1 at beautiful Rathane. Come and hear Marc Rader (Gynea Baptist Church, Morling College and ACE) speak about what it means to be the body of Christ at Sutherland. Pick up a registration sheet from the welcomers' table and book your place. If you can't come for the whole weekend, make sure you come on Saturday, 9am - 4pm. A bus will be provided for those needing transport.

# NOTICES

**MAG PROJECT** for April is shoe polish. Please leave your contributions in the MAG cupboard in the church entrance.

**FOOD APPEAL** - thanks to everyone for donating a great array of food. Our cupboards are now restocked for winter!

**MOTHERS' DAY CARDS.** In many parts of the world women do not have access to the same privileges and freedoms that we enjoy in Australia. Women around the world suffer disproportionately from low household incomes, poor nutrition and sanitation; and limited access to health services, education and employment opportunities. After the 8am and 9.45am services today, members of MU Australia will be selling Mothers' Day cards to raise money for Anglican Aid Overseas Development projects in Sudan, Uganda and Kenya. The cards will sell for \$10, \$20 and \$50, and can be given as a gift to your own Mum this Mothers' Day. All funds raised will be returned to Anglican Aid where tax-deductible receipts can be obtained if requested.

**HELPING AT 'THE PALMS'** – there is an urgent need for people to help at 'The Palm's Nursing Home' service. If you can spare an hour on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, or on a casual basis, please contact Pat Clark (9521 1323) or Dorothy Geerkens (9589 1559).

**PLAYTIME LEADERS REQUIRED.** The Monday Playtime group now has about 44 attendees, but we only have two, and occasionally, one leader. If you can help, even occasionally, please speak to Nicole Wyatt (9542 6243).

**MEDIA REVIEWER** Would you like to provide a media review for the 7pm Sunday services? Tell us about the latest and greatest music, movies, apps or websites, or even what should be

avoided? Speak to Ian Forest-Jones for more information.

**PROMISELAND NEEDS YOU!** Promiseland is currently looking for volunteers who can help support the children of this church. There are lots of ways you can do this, by prayer, occasional assistance and leadership. For more information please speak to Marcus Macbeth or see the information sheet in the foyer. Please help us continue creating, 'The best hour of every kid's week!'

**KALEIDOSCOPE KIDS HELPERS NEEDED** As KK moves into it's 4th term running, we are looking at putting together a rotating roster for a helper/assistant to assist about 2 times a term. Please contact Benita for more details.

**'CHRISTIANITY EXPLAINED' COURSE** Interested in finding out more about Christianity without pressure or expectation? Or perhaps you have a friend who might be interested? This six week course starts again at St John's on Wednesday May 4. Pick up a flyer, or ring the office, for more details.

**DR EMIL SILVESTRU**, from Creation Ministries International, Canada, will be speaking at the Christian Reformed Church, Allies Rd and Elliston Pl, Barden Ridge on Thursday April 14 at 7.30pm. A local opportunity for the 'inside story' of what 'Creation Ministries' is all about - talk to Anthony Whitney (0423 181 614) for more information.

**BLOOD DONATIONS NEEDED OVER EASTER.** Easter is a time when blood supplies run low. If you can help by donating blood at the Sutherland Shire Blood Donor Centre (29 Kiora Rd Miranda) before Easter, please call 13 14 95 to make an appointment.

# Today's Services

## Bible Reading:

8am	<u>Holy Communion:</u> First Order p114 'Women and the Church' Preacher: Rod Harding	1 Corinthians 14:26-40 p.1138 1 Timothy 2:8-15 p.1175
9.45am	<u>Morning Service</u> 'Women and the Church' Preacher: Rod Harding	
5pm	<u>DRV Service</u> 'Women and the Church' Preacher: Rod Harding	
7pm	<u>Evening Service</u> 'The Way Ahead Without a Map' Guest Speaker: Charlie Burke	John 14:15-17 p.1068

**Prayer of the Day** O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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