

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.

July 24, 2011



PLAYTIME

IN THE CHURCH HALL
10AM - MIDDAY
MONDAY'S &
THURSDAY'S



Kaleidoscope Kids

Craft Afternoon

For Primary aged children

\$5 per child

Wednesdays 4 - 5:30pm

(During school terms)

PRAYER POINTS

Prayer for our World As the food crisis in the Horn of Africa is declared a famine, thousands of hungry and exhausted people are pouring into refugee camps each day. Pray for a dramatic increase in humanitarian assistance, reaching those most in need. Pray also for a just response from the rest of the world which has, so far, been slow to help.

Prayer for our Church Praise God for a wonderful farewell dinner last week, celebrating Rod and Cherie's ministry at St John's. The planning, preparation and immense contribution put in by so many saw everything run smoothly. It was a truly memorable night!

SUNDAY

Today we welcome our Acting Pastor, Andrew Hudson, who will be at St John's two days a week (Sunday and Tuesday) until a permanent appointment is made. Andrew can be contacted at the office on 9521 4314.

ALL SERVICES Andrew Hudson will be preaching at all 4 services today. The sermon will be titled 'A Glimpse of God' and is the first in a series on Ephesians.

THIS WEEK

Congratulations to those celebrating!

Sunday 24 Derek Thomas

Tuesday 26 Reg Blackley
Lynne Johnson
Brad Mason
Lauren Tracey

Wednesday 27 Jaden Sy

Thursday 28 Drake Harding
Rob Tunnicliff

Saturday 30 Alexi Collins

PLAYTIME A place for preschool kids and their parents to play, relax and learn. Meeting in the Church Hall from 10am - midday each Monday & Thursday. Cost \$2 per family per week. For details call Nicole Wyatt on 9542 6243.



PARISH COUNCIL meets on Tuesday evening this week, 7.45pm in Church House.

KALEIDOSCOPE KIDS - Craft Afternoon for Primary aged children, Wednesdays in the church hall, from 4 - 5.30pm. Cost \$5 a week per child. Contact Benita De Rooy for details.

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

Fellowship Day Service - "Living in the Light" On Friday this week at 10:30am at Jannali Uniting Church, 527 Box Rd, Jannali. For more details talk to Joy Small or Berenice Nixon.

NEXT SUNDAY

ALL SERVICES Ian Forest-Jones will be preaching at all services next Sunday.

COMING EVENTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER You are invited to meet with others to learn more about prayer and to put what we learn into action. Please join us at Church House on Thursday August 4, either 10.30am - 12 noon or 7.30 - 9pm. For more information, talk to Catherine Pratten (0432 944 444 or catherine@prattenmail.com).

WORKING BEE AT 63 NINTH AVE - MEN & WOMEN WANTED. We are planning to re-paint and re-carpet our pastor's residence while it is vacant, and quotes are being obtained. In the meantime, the curtains and blinds need cleaning, fly screens need repairing, and there are many other small handyman jobs that need doing. **Saturday August 6** is the date for a working bee to get as many of these things done as possible. Come from 9am and stay for as little or as long as you are able. Bring tools and cleaning aids.

MARC RADER ON REVELATION. Marc Rader will give a series of talks on Revelation at Gynea Baptist Church this term. The series starts on Monday August 8 and continues each Monday night until

September 12 from 7:30 – 9:30pm. Cost is \$40. Enquire or register on 9521 4611 or at www.morling.nsw.edu.au under the "News & Events" tab. Grab a flyer from the church entrance for more information.

WORLD VISION 40 HOUR FAMINE is on August 19-21. Our St John's co-ordinator this year is Marney Wane. Please speak to Marney (0409 826 678) if you are interested in participating.

SPORTS CHAPLAINCY NSW STATE DINNER is on August 19 at Tradies at GyMEA. Guest speaker is Nick Farr-Jones. If you want to know more, email graham@stjohns.org.au.

BE THE MOVE OF GOD - SHIRE UNITED A night of Prayer, Unity, Worship & Action at Kingsway, 9 Resolution Dr, Nth Caringbah on Monday August 22 at 7.30pm.

WIF PAMPER AFTERNOON - relax, unwind and feed your soul! Come and enjoy an afternoon of pampering, great food and excellent company as Catherine Pratten comes to share with us. Saturday August 27, 2-5pm at DRV. Cost \$12 (tickets can be purchased from a member of the Women in Fellowship team, at the end of each service, in the church entrance).

'A WOMAN FOR ALL SEASONS' CONFERENCE – come and hear Naomi Reed (author of 'My Seventh Monsoon') and Narelle Jarrett (Archdeacon, Women's Ministry) speak at the SWITCH women's day conference. Saturday October 15 at Waterslea, Nowra. \$50 early-bird registration (before July 31). Speak to Faye Hillier, or one of the women on the Women in Fellowship team, if you're interested in coming as we're hoping to organise a group to travel down together.

NOTICES

MAG PROJECT for July is glue sticks. Please leave your contributions in the MAG cupboard in the church entrance.

KALEIDOSCOPE KIDS needs 1-3 people to volunteer to help 2-3 times this term. No prep or skills needed, just come and be creative and have fun with the kids. Wednesdays from 4-5:30pm. See Benita.

SEWING HELP NEEDED Benita is looking for someone who might be able to do a sewing project for kk's. She is looking for someone who is willing to sew about 18 adult sized aprons for the kids to turn into a father's day craft soon! See Benita for more details.

TASK PROJECT The Social Justice team are pleased to announce that St John's raised a total of \$6,753 for our Cambodian partners TASK, through TEAR, by our deadline of June 30. Thanks so much to all who have supported so far - whether financially or in other ways. We're looking forward to continuing our relationship with TASK, and to sharing with you news of the good work they are doing as it comes to hand.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – Make a Christmas gift for a child by filling a box with toys, colouring books, soap, clothing, etc. This year we have 100 preprinted boxes from Samaritans Purse ready to be filled, so pick one up along with the detailed brochure. Please take note of all the do's and don'ts and return your box before **Sunday, September 11**. Contact Jenny or Marcus Macbeth on 9521 8569 if you have questions.

MONDAY PLAYTIME will be continuing for the rest of the year with parents taking turns at being co-ordinators, craft and music organisers. Naomi Helm has offered to be the Contact Person for Term 3. Our wonderful volunteer helpers, kitchen helpers and 'grandma's' continue to serve the group, also taking on extra tasks. Please pray that the group retains its caring Christ-like feel despite the changes.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS NEEDED A refugee family is in need of furniture, kitchen supplies, bedding etc. Please contact Benita for more info or to organise drop off/pick up of goods.

Today's Services

8am Holy Communion: First Order p114
 'A Glimpse of God'
 Preacher: Andrew Hudson

Bible Reading:

Ephesians 1:1-14 p.1156
 Ephesians 1:15-23 p.1156

9.45am Communion Service
 'A Glimpse of God'
 Preacher: Andrew Hudson

5pm DRV Service
 'A Glimpse of God'
 Preacher: Andrew Hudson

7pm Evening Service
 'A Glimpse of God'
 Preacher: Andrew Hudson

Prayer of the Day Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth: grant that, believing in the one whom you have sent, we may know him to be the true bread of heaven and the food of eternal life, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be glory and honour for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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