

THIS WEEK**7 JUNE 2009****TRINITY SUNDAY**8.00 am **Holy Communion 2** (A.A.P.B. p.134)

Proverbs 30:1-9 (p.655)

John 6:25-35 (p.1056)

Lyn Simpkins

Ron Hinton

'Give Us Today Our Daily Bread'

Organ Postlude: Our Father in Heaven - J U Steigleder (1593-1635)

Brian Heath

9..30 am

PowerPoint

Kids Spot

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John 6:25-35 (p.1056)

Andrew Drury

Siebe Greive

Keryn Hammersley

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Rosemary Burn

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Kathleen Scott

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Jamie Mackenzie

Philip Simpson

'Forgive Us Our Sins'**Brian Heath****Support Ministries:****Cleaning:** Andrea & Lyall Pogue**Sidespeople:****8.00am** Terry & Rosemary Burn**9.30am** Craig Scott, Jim Thompson**6.30pm** Jon Warren-Gash, Lachlan Scott**Morning Tea:****8.00am** Trudy & Garth Hayes**9.30am** Di Tracy, Sarah Mackenzie, Judy Thompson**Crèche:** Linda Percival, Vicki Carter, Tiare Holmes**Supper:** Jamie Mackenzie, Bethany Wright, James Parkinson

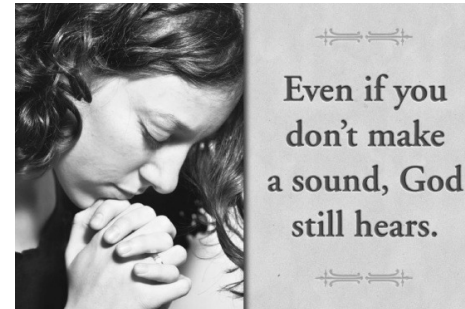
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ANGELICAN PARISH OF ASQUITH / MT COLAH / MT KURING-GAI



Frenchman Lluís Colet took his gift of the gab to extremes in January this year after setting a world record for the longest talk. The local government worker spoke non-stop for 124 hours (five days and four hours) about the Spanish painter Salvador Dali and Catalan culture. Pity the judges who had to sit through it – and stay awake.

With nearly 6.8 billion people on the planet there are a lot of words being spoken. But do you ever feel sometimes that no one's listening? That everyone's so busy that friendships have been reduced to text messages, emails and diary entries?

Well, please know that, in amongst all the speaking, texting, twittering, emailing and junk mail ... in amongst all the electronic buzz and crackle ... God still hears you. When you feel overwhelmed, or misheard, or not heard at all, God knows your needs. He loves you and when you come to him in frustration or desperation or just quiet despondency, he is there. **He is listening.**

If you've never spoken to God then God is ready to listen to you right now. And even if you do know God as a friend but have been out of touch for a while, God is still ready to listen. The Bible has this to say about the wonder of communing with God: "In the same way, the (Holy Spirit) helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express." (Romans 8:26)

Sometimes when things are really, really bad we just don't know what to say to God. All we can do is groan in our inner being as we come to Him in prayer. Jesus groaned too when he was crucified upon the cross – bearing the weight of all our sins on his shoulders. That's an intensely loving and caring God who is personally affected by the troubles of this world. God is not distant and unmoved by your situation. He sent Jesus into the world to help you.

So you don't need fancy words. You don't need to wait until Sunday. You don't need a prayer book. Instead, speak from the heart. Be honest. Take your troubles to Jesus, put them at His feet and trust that He is in control.

Prayer:

**Dear God, you know my troubles, they are too many to list.
Please forgive me. Please help me**

CHURCH MATTERS

FYI For Your Information

Some jottings from the last Parish Council Meeting in May:

- **Brian Heath** stressed the importance of all people being welcoming and friendly to newer members, not just leaving it to the official "welcomers" who are on duty.
- **The new parish directory** will be organised soon. Parish Council is considering having photos of the families and updates of information will be sought shortly.
- **A letter has been sent** to Hornsby Shire Council on behalf of Parish Council outlining objections to the proposed housing strategy for the Royston Parade Precinct. The main points were that the site is too narrow for the height of the developments planned and that the narrow road is already at its limit and unable to take any more parking or traffic that such developments would generate.

PRAYER TIME THIS THURSDAY 11TH JUNE AT 7.45PM in the church

Prayer is a great privilege but it is also our responsibility.
Let's not neglect it.

Everybody welcome

SENIOR LADIES FELLOWSHIP Monday, 15th June at 1.00pm

It's wintertime so we shall enjoy soup for lunch and much much more.

A great time of sharing, catching up and fellowship.



MISSION AID GROUP — 'MAG'

During May you donated: 39 buckets and 35 packets of stickers (totalling 289 sticker sheets). Thank you. These will make our friends in Tanzania very happy indeed and the children will enjoy using the colourful stickers.

Our MAG item in JUNE:

HIGHLIGHTERS

Our MAG for KIDS: BANDAIDS

(any size or colour)



Please place your gifts in the MAG boxes. **THANK YOU !**

MARY ANDREWS COLLEGE

MAC Diploma Bible Course Semester 2 2009

MAC Bible Course for women — Unique, flexible lay training.

Semester 2 2009 starts end of July — enrol now

Closest venue: Chatswood — Fridays

Gospel of John and/or Spiritual Formation

For more information or to enrol?

MAC 9569 2418 or www.mac.edu.au

Also see the pink coloured flyer on the notice board.

JUNE SOUTHERN CROSS on atrium table

OFFERTORIES 31 MAY 2009

[For Electronic Giving the Account details are as follows:-

Asquith Parish General Fund BSB 062-106 Account 00900612]

Incomes: \$2,040.85(General) + \$7,580.00 (Electronic)

+ \$150.00 (Ministry Fund) + \$1,250.00 (Building Fund) = **\$11,020.85**

(Combined Weekly Budget: \$5,304.00)

**** **SURPLUS!** at week 22: **\$1,214.05**

CORRESPONDENCE COURSE FROM MOORE COLLEGE

A group is continuing to meet this week to study the new subject 'Promise to Fulfilment'. It meets on Wednesday nights and is led by Brian Heath.

In this course you will learn how to interpret the Bible while keeping the big picture of the Bible in view. You can choose to do an exam at the end of the course if you wish.

The cost is \$80 to cover the course materials. At the end of six subjects you will qualify to receive the PTC (Preliminary Theological Certificate).

For further information contact Brian Heath on 9482-3282

A MEN'S DINNER

Where : Asquith Golf Club, Lord St, Mount Colah

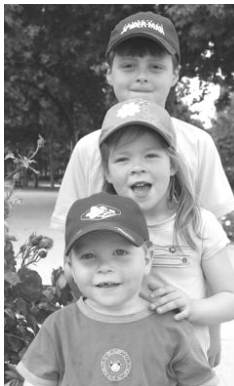
When : Saturday, 13th June 2009, 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

What : Enjoy a fine meal whilst hearing a witty and engaging speaker named Roger Chilton talk on the topic of 'Seize the Moment'

THE BATEY FAMILY IN SPAIN

Have you read their newsletter with coloured pictures? How the children have grown.

And another letter is available from them — June 2009. And yes they are preparing to go to Seville to serve in the Church of the Ascension in Seville. This Anglican church has been without a pastor for the past four years. Pray for them as they prepare to pack up and move.



MT COLAH UNITING CHURCH

Invites us to a Winter Luncheon on Wednesday, 17th June at 11am.

Donation: \$6.00

Speaker: Mrs Brenda Robilliard, Baptist Chaplain at Westmead

RSVP before 10th June to: Margaret Fraser on 9477 3996

Need transport? Contact Nelly on 9477 2302

WOMEN'S KATOOMBA CONVENTION 19-20th September

Topic: Designer Women

*Who am I? Who Made Me? Why?
Am I Random? Designed? — or just thrown together?*

Speakers: Carmelina Read, Alli Street & Claire Smith

Early Bird Rate: \$62 (payment before 14 July) + accommodation for 2 nights \$95 + Friday night dinner.

For more information chat to Sue Heath or Gabrielle Smith.

Please put your name on the clipboard on the atrium table and indicate if you need accommodation. Brochures on Atrium table.

PRAYER FOR CONNECT 09

Father God, we praise you for your love for all people, and for sending Jesus to be the Saviour of the world.

Help us to share this love with others.

We pray for the people of Asquith and beyond.

By your Spirit prepare their hearts to respond to your Word and put their trust in you.

As we connect with them, may they connect with you, and find the joy of sins forgiven and life eternal through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Hello!

My name is **Owen Butcher** and I'm just emailing you on behalf of Panania Anglican Church to let you know about an event we're putting on in a few weeks time on Saturday 20th June.

The event is called **Hometown Throwdown** and is a community based night being held at our church as part of our usual evangelism approach and also as part of our Connect 09 outward focus.

The main aspect of the night will be musical based, with two stages set up on the property and 6 bands performing. Those bands will be: **Playjerise, San Salvador, Margaret Helen King, Seven Steady, Birdlife and DJ Jez**. The bands have been selected for their appeal across all audiences, with acoustic, rock, blues, reggae and pop styles being represented I'm sure you will find a band that everyone can enjoy.

There will also be a few charity stalls set up, one of which is the group *Invisible Children* who are worldwide following of dedicated people raising awareness of the plight of thousands of children in Uganda being abducted and used in rebel armies. See <http://www.invisiblechildren.com> for more information on them.

In the arts side, there will be a photography display featuring Christian photographers and their travels around Australia.

As a follow up, the church will be hosting a special church service the night after on the 21st June at 7pm, featuring Seven Steady performing the worship and guest speaker Tim Bradford wowing the masses.

The *Hometown Throwdown* Christian music and arts night on the 20th June is only \$10 entry. If you or your church are interested in attending and wish to bring a group of 10 or more people, please contact me before the event and we can organise a special group rate for you and your church. The follow up night on the 21st is of course free.

Please feel free to contact me on 0403 202 945 or simply reply by email regarding any aspect of our events if you have any questions or queries. You can also check out our web presence and hear tracks by many of the bands playing by going to <http://www.myspace.com/hometownthrowdown>

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I hope to hear from you soon!

Owen Butcher

Hometown Throwdown

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BOOK REVIEW

Book of the Month

'The Reason For God' by Timothy Keller

If you are looking for a book to give a non Christian friend or relative than look no further.

This book addresses the following issues:

- **Why does God** allow suffering in the world?
- **How could a loving God** send people to hell?
- **Why isn't Christianity** more inclusive?
- **How can one religion** be 'right' and the others 'wrong'?
- **Why have so many wars** been fought in the name of God?

Timothy Keller explains how faith in a Christian God is a soundly rational belief, held by thoughtful people of intellectual integrity.

Purchase your copy today for \$19.95

TO ALL HADCEA SUPPORTERS:

Mt Colah Uniting Church (corner of Amaroo Ave and Pacific Hwy, Mt Colah) has arranged a special service to support HADCEA on **Sunday the 21st of June at 9.00am** (next Sunday week.)

Peter Thomsett and **Ainsley Hodgson** will be conducting the special service and it will conclude with a morning tea at around 10.30am.

