

MEETING RE YOUTHWORK

This Sunday afternoon, 15th November from 4.00-5.15pm in the church there will be a meeting of all youth and their parents for those in Years 7-12 to outline our future vision for youth ministry and suggested changes.

There will be an opportunity for questions and feedback at this time. It is important that as many as possible attend this meeting.

Enquiries:

Brian Heath (9482-3282) or Andrew Drury (0409655469)



CAROLS IN THE CAR PARK

On Sunday, 20th December

We will be holding our inaugural 'Carols in the Car park'. The aim is to connect with as many members of our community as possible. Please be planning and praying now for those you intend to invite.

The Carols will involve pre-carols entertainment from 6.00 pm with music from Paul Carter's band 'The Longboards', Jumping castle, sausage sizzle and face-painting. This will be followed by the Carols at 7.30pm.

On 5th and 6th December at 2.00pm we will be doorknocking to invite people to this and our other Christmas events. We will also letterbox the whole area. It is also hoped that a choir will sing carols outside Coles the week before to promote it.

A special prayer meeting to pray for this and our other Christmas events will be held on 3rd December at 7.45 pm.



ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Welcome to St John's!

We are pleased that you have been able to join us today. We hope that you find the reading and teaching of God's Word helpful and that you are made to feel very welcome. If this is your first time with us, you may be asked to fill in a welcome card by one of our welcomers. This will help us to welcome you properly.



FAMILY BULLETIN

15 NOVEMBER 2009

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

THIS WEEK: SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

When Religion is Rubbish

Exodus 3:15-22 (p.57)

Philippians 3:1-11 (p.1163)

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Morning Church
6.30pm Night Church

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 22TH NOVEMBER

When the Past is Irrelevant

Exodus 4:1-17 (p.57)

Philippians 3:12 - 4:1 (p.1163)

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Morning Church
6.30pm Night Church

Our Parish Mission Statement

St John's Anglican Church Asquith exists to bring glory to God by:

- * Communicating the Gospel of Jesus Christ clearly
- * Teaching the Bible faithfully
- * Building a loving, serving, worshipping community and
- * Equipping us all spiritually for our work and witness in the world

PRAYER POINTS:

- * **Please give thanks** for yesterdays 'Men in Boats' day and the opportunity for our men to get together.
- * **Pray for John Watson** as he heads up Men's ministry and for the committee as they plan next year.
- * **Give thanks for all our scripture teachers.** Pray for the preparation for end of year assemblies.
- * **Pray for Andrew Drury** as he takes three weeks leave. Pray for safety and an enjoyable, relaxing time
- * **Pray for Dan Butler and Kat Steele** for their wedding preparations and for Dan as he plans to study at Youthworks next year.
- * **Pray for all the preparations for 'Carols in the Car park'** on 20th December. Pray for the planning committee of Brian Heath, Neil Elleson, Jen Begg, Denis Wright, Rick Lovegrove and Geoff Percival. Pray that many people will come and hear the saving message of Jesus.
- * **Pray for Kids' Christmas at Christmas Eve** on 24th December at 6.00pm. Pray that many will come and hear about Jesus.
- * **Pray that the Logos Youth Ministry** will implement the appropriate changes to cater for the widening age difference so that all target ages will know and find satisfaction in the only satisfying God.
- * **Praise for the diligent effort** of the current Logos leaders, some for a number of years, to help care for and train our youth in the Lord.
- * **Pray for Phil & Alison Harmer** as Phil continues to mourn the loss of his mother.
- * **Pray for** all those who are hurting, feeling lonely, facing changes, are ill or in need.
- * **Pray for our Link Missionaries:**
The **Batey family** in Spain, the **Keith family** in Lightning Ridge and **Suzanne Ireland** on the *Logos Hope*.

KIDS' CHRISTMAS

Thursday, 24th December at 6pm

'It's a Boy'

This will be a special time for kids and all who come to sing Christmas songs and hear stories for children.

There will be a '**GIVING TREE**'. Children will be invited to place presents under the tree to give to children in need.

The service will be followed by supper in the Hall.



HADCEA BREAKFAST at Mt Colah Uniting

Come along and have breakfast together and hear from Peter Thomsett and Ainsley Hodgson, our Christian teachers in the Asquith Boys & Girls High schools.

Saturday, 28th November at 7.45am till 9.00pm

URGENT NEED

There is an urgent need for 2 people or a couple who are willing to help clean the church. It is only once every 3 months commencing at the beginning of December.

Please contact **Helen Whight** on 9987 4219



OFFERTORIES 8 NOVEMBER 2009

[For Electronic Giving the Account details are as follows:-
Asquith Parish General Fund BSB 062-106 Account 00900612]
Incomes: \$1,723.50 (General) + \$2,500.00 (Electronic)
+ \$140.00 (Ministry Fund) + \$150.00 (Building Fund) = **\$4,513.50**
(Combined Weekly Budget: \$5,304.00)

SURPLUS at week 45: \$291.70



This month we shall collect for **Anglicare**.

Please place your food (no glass jars) and toys and gifts on the table at the back of the church.

Share the joy of Christmas with families in need!
Your donation of gifts for children and teenagers and festive food for Christmas hampers will enable us to provide for those who would otherwise go without.



For more information chat to Jennifer Begg at church or phone 9476 8805

MAKE YOUR OWN GINGERBREAD HOUSE

Saturday, 5th December

2pm - 4pm Family Afternoon; 7pm - 9pm Women's Evening

An excellent evangelistic opportunity!!

Bring your neighbours and friends.

Please put your name on the board to reserve your kit/s ASAP.

Only 20 kits for the Family Afternoon & 50 kits for the Women's Evening.

Kits cost \$25.00 each and includes everything you need for your house!



Gingerbread men \$2.00 each (only 50 available)

Any questions see or phone Jennifer Begg (9476 8805)

Fellowship Christmas Luncheon Invitation from our friends at Mt Colah Uniting Church

Wednesday, 2nd December at 11.00am

Speaker: Rev Peter Looby,

Soloist Mrs Bettie Barr, Pianist Mrs Anne Jessup

Musical items by the children of Mt Colah Pre school

Cost: \$6.00 at the door

Reply by 27th November to Margaret Fraser on 9477 3996 or

Helen Perry on 9987 4963.

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

For families and friends whose children have died or are missing.

Christmas is a difficult time for grieving parents. This Service, open to families (and friends) who've lost a child (of any age), seeks to ease that pain a little by offering a means of acknowledging and remembering a deeply loved and missed family member.

Wednesday, 2nd December 2009 at 7.30pm

With a brief message from Gary Raymond APM OAM

State President & Senior Chaplain NSW

Volunteer Rescue Association Inc.

at St Matthews Church

Cnr Castle Hill Road and New Line Road, West Pennant Hills

Enquiries 9479 3700

**SATURDAY, 5TH DECEMBER
MEN @ MACCAS @ MT COLAH**

GREAT SERVICE@MENS CONVENTION 2010

Join us in 2010 to be challenged by Song of Songs (Gary Millar), Philipians (John Dickson) and Tin Shed Time and enjoy the privilege of spending a weekend with thousands of other Christian men at MKC.

Last year 30 men from St John's enjoyed the excellent teaching and fellowship at Katoomba. Be part of the group in 2010.

Date:

Friday, 26th February (evening) to Saturday 27th February 2010

Place: Katoomba Convention Site, Katoomba

Accommodation:

Eltham Park, Mount Victoria (Friday night only)

Cost:

\$110, (\$104 for concession) - covers registration to listen to talks, accommodation (on Friday night) with breakfast, plus morning and afternoon teas and lunch at the Convention Site

Please put your name on the list in the Atrium if you would like to come. Payments are needed by 13th December

If you have any questions about the event, please speak to John Watson or Michael Coyne.

Will you be coming to Summer School 2010?

RADICAL DISCIPLESHIP
NO DETOURS, NO DISTRACTIONS, NO TURNING BACK

CMS SUMMER SCHOOL
2-8 JANUARY 2010 www.cms.org.au/nswsummerschool

This year **Mike Raiter**, principal of the Bible College of Victoria and ex-missionary to Pakistan, will be taking us on the road with Jesus Christ. Brochures available on atrium table.

Pre-Registration closes on 13th December.

CMS Summer School hotline: (02) 9284 6736

Email: nswsummerschool@cms.org.au

SAFE MINISTRY TRAINING

Sydney Diocese requires that everyone involved with Children's Ministry must complete the Anglican Youthworks' Safe Ministry training.

Suzanne Gilbert will be holding training sessions at her home (2 Beechworth Place, Mt Colah) at 7.30pm on the following dates:

Thursday, 19th November — Leading Children and Youth (for adults and young people in high school)

Thursday, 26th November — Protecting Children and Youth (for people over 16. A separate session will be arranged for those under 16)

Please telephone Suzanne on 9457 8472 if you like to attend

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets this Thursday, 19th November in the Rectory at 7.45pm

SAVE THE DATE !

St John's Weekend Away 2010

'In Search of the Perfect Church'

Friday night March 12th to Sunday March 14th

Lutanda Conference Centre, Toukley

Speaker: Richard Gibson

(Lecturer in New Testament & Church History at Moore Theological College)



OUR FOODBANK IS EMPTY !

The meals in our Food Bank are all gone. They are a real blessing and so welcome to those who need them.

Our thanks again to all our great cooks for cooking some more yummy meals.

Need labels? Contact Lisa Tong on 9482 3256.