

PLANNED MORNING TEA FOR 3RD JANUARY TO WELCOME JONATHAN & ELYSHA COLE

Jonathan & Elysha join us next week on the 3rd January, the first time as a newly married couple.



We plan to make **this day special** for them by presenting them with a gift of money so they can purchase something for their new home. If you haven't already made a contribution to this and would like to do so, please give your contribution to a Warden or put it in an envelope marked 'Jonathan & Elysha' to be placed with the offertory.

We also plan on having a **special morning tea** for them on this date following the 10.00am service. Maybe people from other services would like to come along. If you would like to bring **some appropriate food** indicate this on a clip board in the hall or ring **Faye Keith (9476 4623)**, who is co-ordinating the morning tea.

Thank you.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2010

Offertory Envelopes for 2010 are now available. Please take a set from the side cupboard in the atrium.

They are dated to encourage planned giving even when you are unable to attend church.

A New Year gives us the opportunity to review our giving in the light of the way the Lord has blessed us.

The teaching of the Bible is that we set aside a significant proportion of our income as a gift for God's work in recognition that everything comes from Him in the first place.

The envelopes are **NOT NUMBERED**. No one is able to check up on what we give — it is a matter between each one of us and the Lord.

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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

CHRISTMAS 2009

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

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light... For unto us a child is born ... and his name shall be called, Wonderful Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:2,6)

CHRISTMAS EVE

6.00pm Kids' Christmas followed by supper
9.30pm Readings and Carols of Christmas

CHRISTMAS DAY 25TH DECEMBER

Bethlehem's Got Talent

Psalm 96:7-13 (p.592)

Luke 2:1-20 (p.1014)

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Christmas Celebration

SUNDAY 27TH DECEMBER

Written on Your Heart

Exodus 6:28-7:13 (p.60)

Proverbs 3:1-12 (p.627)

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

2010 — NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

- ~ Come to church more regularly?
- ~ Bring our children to the Kids programmes?
- ~ Join a Bible Study Group?
- ~ Read the Bible in a year?
- ~ Attend the church weekend away?

PRAYER POINTS:

- * **Give thanks** for the ministry of Judy Thompson and Valerie Pearson in scripture teaching for many, many years.
- * **Give thanks** for the many people who came to Carols in the carpark and heard the saving message of Jesus.
- * **Pray for** all those who are travelling over the Christmas period — for responsible behaviour and safety.
- * **Pray for our Link Missionaries:**
The **Batey family** in Spain, the **Keith family** in Lightning Ridge and **Suzanne Ireland** on the *Logos Hope*.

MISSION STATEMENT

What we're about ...

We exist to

COMMUNICATE the Gospel of Jesus Christ clearly,
TEACH the Bible faithfully,
BUILD a loving, serving, worshipping community and
EQUIP us all spiritually for our work
and witness in the world;

. . . all to the glory of God.

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)



TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART...DON'T FOLLOW YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING...IN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM... AND HE WILL DIRECT YOUR PATH (PROVERBS 3:5)



LEAVING FOR CAMBODIA 20th Jan. 2010

David & Judy Gillan and Roy & Linda Artist go to Cambodia on 20th January to do practical work for 1 month. They need to raise finances for building a clean water supply for a kindergarten plus treadle sewing machines and fabric for a micro business.

They also have contact with an orphanage and wish to assist them. They are asking for **donations towards materials only**. If you are **able to help with a donation** or wish to know more. Please contact them.

OFFERTORIES 20 DECEMBER 2009

[For Electronic Giving the Account details are as follows:-
Asquith Parish General Fund BSB 062-106 Account 00900612]
Incomes:\$1,971.00 (General) + \$3,728.17 (Electronic)
+ \$30.00 (Ministry Fund) + \$40.00 (Building Fund) = **\$5,769.17**
(Combined Weekly Budget: \$5,304.00)
SURPLUS at week 51: \$2,054.24

DIARY FOR JANUARY 2010

Fri	1		HAPPY NEW YEAR
Sat	2	7.30am	Men @ Maccas @ Mt Colah
	2 to 8		CMS Summer School at Katoomba
Sun	3	8.00am	Welcome Jonathan & Elysha Cole
		10.00am	Special Morning Tea after 10.00am
		6.30pm	Everybody please join in this happy occasion
Mon	11	8.00pm	O.M. info and prayer time at the Beggs
Sat	16	2.00pm	Wedding of Kat Steele and Dan Butler
Wed	20		David & Judy Gillan and Roy & Linda Artist leaving for Cambodia today
Sat	23	4.00pm	St John's picnic at Bobbin Head. BYO everything.

Important date for our February 2010 Diary
Emma Batey will be 6 on the 5th of February

JANUARY SERVICES

3 Jan	Exodus 7:14-8:15 (p.60)	<i>The Trinity</i>
	Luke 3:15-22 (p.1016)	
10 Jan	Colossians 4:1-18	<i>Insiders and Outsiders</i>
'GRAVE TO GLORY'		
17 Jan	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	<i>The Gospel Truth</i>
24 Jan	1 Corinthians 15:12-34	<i>If Christ be not raised</i>
31 Jan	1 Corinthians 15:35-58	<i>Resurrection, Immortality and Eternal Life</i>