

THIS WEEK

26 APRIL 2009

- 8.00 am **Prayer, Praise & Proclamation 2** (S.S. p.13)
Isaiah 35:1-10 (p.709) Don Lamb
John 5:1-18 (p.1054) Geoff Stutchbury
- 'The God Delusion'**
Sortie on "The Strife is O'er (Rawsthorne)
- 9.30 am **PowerPoint**
Kids Spot Holiday JJs
Isaiah 35:1-10 (p.709) Ben Williams
John 5:1-18 (p.1054) Iris Bramley
- 'The God Delusion'**
- 6.30 pm **PowerPoint**
Isaiah 35:1-10 (p.709) Tim Watson
John 5:1-18 (p.1054) Heather Amm
- 'The God Delusion'**

EASTER 2

Jonathan Cole

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NEXT WEEK

3 MAY 2009

- 8.00 am **Holy Communion 2** (A.A.P.B. p.134)
Jeremiah 3:14-20 (p.749) Rosemary Burn
Matthew 6:1-15 (p.960) Terry Burn
- 'Our Father in Heaven'**
- 9.30 am **PowerPoint**
Kids Spot Holiday JJs
Jeremiah 3:14-20 (p.749) Rick Lovegrove
Matthew 6:1-15 (p.960) Sue Lovegrove
- 'Our Father in Heaven'**
- 6.30 pm **PowerPoint**
Jeremiah 3:1-20 (p.749) Angus Mackenzie
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EASTER 3

Brian Heath

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Support Ministries:

- Cleaning:** Helen Whight, Nelly Grieve
Sidespeople:
8.00am Rosemary & Terry Burn
9.30am Doug Davies
6.30pm James Goulding, James Parkinson
- Morning Tea:**
8.00am Trudy & Garth Hayes
9.30am Fiona Watson, Pauline Payne, Kathleen & Craig Scott
- Crèche:** Suzanne Gilbert, Lisa Garner, Andrew Munkman
Supper: Angus McKenzie, Lachlan Scott, Steve Browne

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St JOHN'S FAMILY BULLETIN

26 APRIL 2009

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

INSULATION or ISOLATION

John Ch 17, vs 15 &16. These two verses are an extract of Jesus' prayer for His disciples.

"I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world."

At a Speech Night we attended when our children were young, the Pastor said that the aim of the Christian school was to provide an environment of insulation, not isolation of the children.

INSULATION

How important this is for us as Christian adults! We are to be in the world, but not of the world. There are many references in the Scriptures to the insulating layer of the Christian; David in the Psalms looked upon God as his strength and shield; Paul in Ephesians 6:11 urges us to put on the whole armour of God. In our day to day life how do we maintain our insulation? Two good starting points are prayer and the study of God's Word.

As an engineer I see many pieces of equipment which were initially insulated but over time it has been neglected with the results of corrosion and build up of product within leading eventually to equipment failure. How much this is like us. Our prayers become less, wrong things build up in our life as a result of our spiritual neglect and we fail to live the way Jesus died for us to live.

Is your insulation whole - or full of holes? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

ISOLATION

We are not to live the Christian life in isolation; but there are times we have to isolate (or disassociate) ourselves from some things.

Isolation is used to protect people against forces where insulation is not sufficient. Large guillotines and presses have interlocks to prevent you putting your hand in the mechanism while it is operating. Now you may have a very good strong pair of gloves (insulation) on your hands but they are nothing against the sheer power of the machine.

We must realise there are forces at work bigger than us, as Paul states in Ephesians 6:12, we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities, dark powers and the spiritual hosts of wickedness. Do not allow yourself to be caught up with the powers of darkness.

Use your insulation but practice isolation where it is required. Let your isolation keep you from the evil one.

Ben Williams

'The Building Is Over, Long Live the Building Celebration'

On Sunday 24th May, there will be a combined morning service.
Archdeacon Terry Dein and Gordon and Dianna Lincoln
will be in attendance.



This will be an opportunity to give thanks to God for the completion of the current building programme, and to look forward to the continuing of the building of God's kingdom in Asquith and beyond.

After the service everyone is invited to lunch at the rectory. BYO meat & drinks for a B-B-Q. Please indicate on the sheet in the Atrium whether you will bring either a salad or dessert to share.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

All men are invited to an informal get together over brekkie.

When: Saturday, 2nd May at 8:00am

Where: Upper McKell Park, Brooklyn,
(Karoola St, Brooklyn)

What: Bring your own everything.

(There are BBQ facilities available)

Came along and enjoy an opportunity to get together with other Christian men whilst enjoying an al fresco meal!!



See you there

Any questions?

Ask Daryl 9457 8472, Andrew Munkman 9457 6141,
Russell 9482 2226, John Watson 9477 2193.

THE QUEEN IS COMING

EQUIP WOMEN 09

Queen Esther, the Persian Queen

Where : Sydney Convention Centre, Darling Harbour

When : Saturday, 23rd May 2009

Time : Equip Daylight — 9.00am to 3.30pm

Equip Twilight — 2.00pm to 7.30pm

Details in the brochures on the atrium table or chat to or contact

Fran Newling on 9457 8175

MISSION AID GROUP — 'MAG'

Our MAG item in APRIL:

RAZORS & RAZOR BLADES



Our MAG for KIDS:

BALLS (any kind/size/shape ball)



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

OFFERTORIES 19 APRIL 2009

[For Electronic Giving the Account details are as follows:-
Asquith Parish General Fund BSB 062-106 Account 00900612]

Incomes: \$2,157.00 (General) + \$2,440.00 (Electronic)

+ \$162.00 (Ministry Fund) + \$172.00 (Building Fund) = **\$4,931.00**

(Combined Weekly Budget: \$5,304.00)

**** **SHORTFALL at week 16: \$6,680.70**



The 'Jesus. All about Life' (JAAL) campaign is a six week prime time media campaign aimed at reaching 90 percent of a city or region with at least ten impressions of the advertising

message (TV, print, radio, billboard or banner) at the same time as local churches get involved in their community.

It will run in NSW from 15th September 2009.

The JAAL campaign uses the media marketplace to bring the story of Jesus into the community and will act as a catalyst for community wide cultural activity with the local church as the delivery point.

Over six million people will have the opportunity to hear what Jesus said and be challenged to consider his message, primarily via cultural and community events run by local churches.

Over the campaign period, Jesus will be the topic of conversation in homes, at BBQs and in work places.

Christians will have the opportunity to be part of conversations where the person of Jesus is the hot topic.

St John's has registered to be part of this programme.

For more information: www.jesusallaboutlife.com.au

Pre-School to Year 6 will be going for a Walk to the Park, Sunday, 3rd May



Children will meet and start in church as usual.

We will aim to have walked back by 10.45.



We will be going to Mills Park.



CELEBRATING 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BILLY GRAHAM CRUSADE IN AUSTRALIA

Here at St John's

6.30 - 9.00 pm

Saturday, 16 May 2009

A special evening to commemorate and give thanks to God for the ministry of the Billy Graham Crusades in Australia

Sing the old Crusade songs ...

Hear testimonies from those in our congregation who were there ...

Watch the commemoration DVD together ...

Share experiences over a 1950s Supper (not Dinner)...

Invite a friend to come with you.

If coming please put your name on the list in the atrium for catering purposes. There will be a separate children's program if needed.

More information: Faye Keith 8911 0141 or email: jkeith@ihug.com.au

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Sat	2	8:00am	Men's Breakfast at McKell Park in Brooklyn Bring it all!
		2:00pm To 4:00pm	There will be a Refresher Training Course in the Safe Ministry with Children & Young People.
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