

Services

Sunday 8.30am	Holy Communion (traditional)
Sunday 10.30am	All age worship (contemporary service with kids & junior youth programs)
Sunday 6pm	Sunday at Six (for the young and young at heart)
Wednesday 10.30am	Holy Communion and companion time

Next Week's Sermon

8.30am	10.30am	6pm
<i>Faithful and Sincere</i>	<i>Faithful and Sincere</i>	<i>A Radical Disciple</i>
<i>Love in Action</i>	<i>Love in Action</i>	David Bassett
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Upcoming Events

Grace Anglican Network Prayer Launch

14 October, 7.30pm at St Matts

Raising Teens workshop

Starts 26 October at 7pm. RSVP to the office by 24 October.

Partner Churches

St Bartholomew's Norwood

77 Beulah Rd Norwood

Grace Church Trinity Gardens

Trinity Gardens Bowling Club
Canterbury Ave Trinity Gardens

Grace Anglican Network Office

146 Kensington Rd Marryatville

Office Hours:

Mon, Wed & Thurs 9am – 12pm

Tuesday 1-3pm

Giving Electronically to St Matt's

BSB: 105 073

Account No: 286 016 340

If you require a reference we recommend using your surname.



An opportunity and challenge

27 September 2015

On the first Sunday in November we farewell John Miller and his family as he moves to take up the position of Senior Minister at Henley and Grange parish. The Millers have been with us since 1999 and overseeing the St Bart's ministry since 2003. There is so much that we are thankful for in their time with us.

This change of leadership provides us now with an opportunity to carefully consider the shape and focus of our ministries and how we most effectively reach out into our local communities. I am taking this opportunity to look, not just at our Norwood ministries, but all the ministries of the Grace Network.

Over the next couple of weeks I will be working with the senior eldership of the Network - our wardens and staff – to begin giving shape to a vision of how we could move forward. This will then be worked upon with the Joint Council and leaders of ministries and then with our congregations.

I believe we have a great opportunity ahead of us. I am also very aware that here are also a number of significant challenges including sustainability, renewal of property, changing demographics and others.

During this time I ask you to do three things.

1. Pray for me, the wardens, the council and all of us as we seek to discern God's vision and direction
2. Give some time to think and meditate upon your church and how we are caring for each other and reaching out to others.
3. Speak to me, your congregation pastor, a warden or member of council about things you feel we need to be aware of or keep in mind as we go through this process.

Having just completed our series in Matthew's gospel, we have ringing in our ears Jesus' commission for us to be a church on a mission to make Jesus known. That's our real challenge. That's our great opportunity!

With blessings, David Bassett (rector and senior minister)

Grace Anglican Network Termly Prayer Launch

Wednesday 14th October at St Matts

All members of the network are encouraged to attend and pray for the future of our Network, City, Country and World.

Prayer Points

Special Needs: Raymond Wong, Joy & Daniel Blanch, Judy & Ian Black & Eve Shillito

Ministry team and families:	Simon, Adele, Stella & Sebastian Jackson <i>(Senior Associate)</i>
David, Susan, Thomas & Elise Bassett <i>(Senior Minister)</i>	Greg, Sum, Isaac & Avalon Lock <i>(Youth Minister)</i>
Sam, Hannah, Sophia, Elias, Joseph & Raphael Bleby <i>(Grace Church Minister)</i>	John, Belinda, Caleb, Xavier & Emmanuelle Miller <i>(St Bart's Minister)</i>
Ian & Jan Bruce <i>(Wednesday Service)</i>	Peter Sage <i>(St Bart's one-to-one Men's minister)</i>
Shane and Caitlin Ellery <i>(SAS trainer)</i>	Rossie & Nick Smart <i>(St Matthew's Homes Visitor)</i>
Danielle, Stephen, Terrence & Madeleine Ho <i>(St Bart's Children's Minister)</i>	Andy & Rachel Stevens <i>(GAN accountant)</i>
Becky Hams <i>(Office Administrator)</i>	

Prayer focus: Our Wider Mission

- Pray for the diocese of Adelaide, for Archbishop Jeffrey, for the Synod as it prepares to meet next month, and for growth in our churches.
- Pray for CMS as it places men and women in long term cross cultural ministry across the world. Pray for our support through prayer, fellowship and giving.
- Pray for the work of City Bible Forum, for Craig Broman as he leads the ministry and for effective evangelism in our city.
- Pray for the work of Compassion and especially the partner churches through whom aid and support is given to so many in need.
- Pray for revival in our city, for many to come to know and love Jesus.

Community Notices

Grace Anglican Network Termly Prayer Launch

Everyone from the Grace Anglican Network is strongly encouraged to attend the next prayer launch. This is where we come together as a network to pray about each location, the future of the network and the ministries we support. On Wednesday 14 October, 6.45pm for tea, coffee and a chat, ready for a 7pm start.

Sri Lanka Teaching Trip - Oct 3-18

A small group from the Grace Anglican Network are heading to Sri Lanka to teach two Bible college subjects to local pastors and evangelists. We would love your prayers and financial support. For more information contact Simon Jackson simon.jackson@stmatts.asn.au

Music Recital

Music recital featuring solos, duets, and chamber works from varied genres and composers including Schubert, Mozart, Norton and more with Heidi and guest performer string players from the band 'No Compromise – music of Keith Green'. St Bart's on Sunday 11 October at 2pm. Free entry (donation) and bring a plate of food to share if able. For more information contact Heidi: 0433 825 815.

Farewell to the Millers

John, Belinda, Caleb, Xavier and Emmanuelle's last Sunday with us will be **November 1**. John will be preaching at the StBarts@10 service and we will say farewell in a special lunch following the service.

Raising Teens workshop

Our 5-week, network-wide course to help you be equipped for the challenges and joys of parenting kids aged 11-17 starts on Monday 26 October, 7.00pm at St Matt's. It's open to everyone who has a role to play in the lives of our teens. You don't have to be 'churchy' or a Christian to attend! This is designed for everyone.

You MUST register by Saturday October 24 to office@stmatts.asn.au If numbers are low we won't run the course at this time.

Quiz night

All are welcome to attend this fundraiser for Danielle Ho's chaplaincy position at Vale Park Primary School. It is on Saturday 24 October, 7pm for a 7.30pm start at St Paul's Lutheran Church Hall, 44 Audrey Ave, Blair Athol. Tickets are \$12 from Danielle. BYO drinks and nibbles.

Inter-Church monthly Prayer Breakfast

Great times of fellowship, worship and intercession. Praying for the district Inter-Church work including schools and Norwood Christmas outreach, and our churches, our districts and our state and Nation. At St Matts, October 3 starting at 7.30am.

BCA boxes

The Bush Church Aid boxes are now due to be counted. Please bring your BCA boxes to the network office at your earliest convenience.