



St. Andrews Uniting Church

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Riverstone

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Preaching and Leading Roster May 2018

Date	Service	Leader	Preacher	Music	Bible Reader
6 th	Family 9 – 30 am	Ares Balatan	Ares Balatan	Jenny Camboune	T.B.A.
13 th	Communion 9 – 30 am	Rodel Palma	Rodel Palma	Robyn Beasy	T.B.A.
20 th	9 – 30 am	Tom Millington	Tom Millington	Paul Cole	Phyllis McAlpine
27 th	9 – 30 am	Rodel Palma +John Cutts	Rodel Palma + John Cutts	Robyn Beasy	Bruce McCaull

Pray For Our Own Church Folk

Sheila Edwards
Helen Hames & Ross Smith
Jan & Noel Taunton
Iris & Linda Kelly
Gail & Andrew Horner
Bruce & Margot Cole
Chris Brown
Henry Birett
Wally & Val. Shoobridge
Bruce & Betty McCaull
Doreen Ham



Scripture For The Month . Lectionary for Sunday 6th
May : 1 John 5:1-5. J.B. Phillips Translation.

Everyone who really believes that Jesus is the Christ proves himself one of God's family. The man who loves the Father cannot help loving the Father's own Son.
²⁻⁵ The test of the genuineness of our love for God's family lies in this question—do we love God himself and do we obey his commands? For loving God means obeying his commands, and these commands of his are not burdensome, for God's "heredity" within us will always conquer the world outside us. In fact, this faith of ours is the only way in which the world has been conquered. For who could ever be said to conquer the world, in the true sense, except the man who really believes that Jesus is God's Son?

Dates to Remember And Pray For :

Scripture Lessons at the Primary School each Tuesday.

* **Bowls** each Monday.

* **U.C.A.F.** at 11am 2nd Tuesday of the month.

After Church Social on 20 th May. Bring your favourite salad and enjoy meeting socially

Community Morning Tea Tuesday 22nd May with speaker, Jonathan from "The Bible Society ."

Special Prayers For :

- The Ministry & Mission of our Church & people of Riverstone..
- Chaplaincy Programme at the High School.
- Our Chairpersons, Treasurer and Secretaries of Congregation and Church Council.

Community Morning Tea 27/3/18

On Tuesday April 24th at Riverstone's monthly morning tea we had two very special guests from the Ronald McDonald House. It was very poignant that this week we would be hearing about this very worthwhile project that has recently opened a new house in Westmead. The new house means that many more families will benefit from the many donations that has made the accommodation possible. Previous to the new house families in their time of stress and need had to be turned away, thankfully this will no longer occur. The readings for this week concentrate on love that comes from God. Ronald McDonald house is an example of God's love working across the many borders that we have put in place. The love that is shared by the families, staff, medico's and volunteers involved in Ronald McDonald is a blessing to each other as they face their traumatic circumstances together and not alone. Ronald McDonald Houses function on volunteers and paid staff 24/7 and would appreciate any help that you can offer them.

Sharon Cutts

OTHER NEWS :-

Hire of Hall :- Contracts have been signed. **Line dancing** Thursday mornings from 10 am.

Cheer Leader, Dance Group, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays from 4 pm.

NEXT Meeting of our Church Council will be Tuesday 15th May at 9- 30 am.

Riverstone Multicultural Playgroup.

We met with representatives of SydWest Multicultural Services and signed a "Users Agreement" to have them run the Playgroup on our Premises on Friday Mornings from 10 am to 12 am during School Term. For More information see Brochure available in Vestibule of Church.

Samaritan Purse Boxes

For several Years our Church has filled 20 boxes for underprivileged children in 3rd world countries.

I am suggesting we name a few items we need each month and anyone who would like to help us buy these articles to help.

May : Soap and exercise Books.

Biscuits & Cakes for Morning Tea

If anyone could bring biscuits or small cakes for morning tea after service each Sunday, this would be greatly appreciated.



Prayers :

- (1) Church leaders from our Zone to work together to build a strong Community for out-reach.
- (2) That our Church members will work together to try open our Church for community events and mission.
- (3) Get to know people in Riverstone and invite them to our Church Functions.

May is Festival time. Once again we are Having a stall and again we are taking part in the Parade



under our own Banner. We would like to see a large number of people march under the Banner.

DON'T FORGET : PITT TOWN'S MASSIVE Market Day / Garage Sale Saturday June 30th. 9 am to 2 pm (See Notice Board.)

ROSTERS FOR MAY 2018.

Door: Jan

Cleaning : Phyllis & Bruce

Morning Tea

6 th T.B.A.

13 th Jan

20 th Jeanette & Henry

27 th Cynthia & Sheila