

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
'Rooted in God's Heart' <i>1 John 5:13-21 & Isaiah 42:1-9</i> Simon Jackson	'Rooted in God's Heart' <i>1 John 5:13-21 & Isaiah 42:1-9</i> Shane Ellery	'Rooted in God's Heart' <i>1 John 5:13-21 & Isaiah 42:1-9</i> David Bassett

Upcoming Events

Annual Vestry Meetings

Today
St Bart's 12 noon
St Matt's 3pm

Newish (Info night for people new to Grace Anglican Network)
Monday 23 March, 7pm

Equip

Sat 28 March
Temple Christian College

Men's Convention

Sat 16 May
Concordia College

Grace Conference

Sat 30 May
Concordia College

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- Thurs 9am – 1pm



Knowing and being known

22 March 2015

Here at the Grace Network of churches; Grace Church, St. Matts and St. Bart's, we've been going through the book of 1 John. One of its main themes is *knowing* – it comes up more than 30 times in four little pages! In the 1990s there was a great philosophical tide that swept through our universities and washed over western culture that suggested that the age of absolute knowledge was dead; truth was individualised in the postmodern world and so we pick and choose in a world of many truths. In such a world there is no certain 'knowing'. What that meant when transferred to relationships was that knowing ourselves and knowing others also became more problematic and uncertain.



The book of 1 John tells us that He's not just a God who fully knows us and loves us, He's also the God who has made himself known; "we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true." (1 John 5:20). And it's as we know God and his love that it gets easier to know our true self, the person God made us to be. May God bless you today with a deeper knowledge of both yourself and God.

Sam Bleby
Grace Church Minister

Easter Services

Thursday 2 April	Maundy Thursday	7pm St Bart's
Friday 3 April	Good Friday	9am St Matt's
Sunday 5 April	Easter Day	8:30, 10:30 & 6pm St Matt's 10am St Bart's 10am Grace Church

Join us as we journey through John's account of Easter

Prayer Points

Special Needs: Joy Blanch, Judy Black, Olive Bishop & Roger Goldsworthy

Ministry team and families:

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

Prayer's for our community, our nation, our world

Praise God:

- For all that he has been teaching us through 1 John, that we would be rooted in the truth and growing to love like Jesus
- For the privilege of living in Australia; relative peace, prosperity and religious freedom
- For all of our link missionaries, for the way they are living for Jesus and loving like Jesus

Pray for:

- Those in our Grace Anglican Network community who don't yet know Jesus as Lord and Saviour
- Our state and federal government that they would be known for their integrity, upholding of justice and care for the vulnerable in our society
- Those helping with the relief efforts in Vanuatu following the devastation of cyclone Pam

Community Notices

India Mission Info Night

Have you ever thought about teaching the Bible to Indians in India? Come along Mon 23 Mar, 7.30pm at the Jacksons house to find out more.

BCA Boxes

The BCA boxes are now due to be handed in ready for counting. Please drop them off to the office at your earliest convenience.

Annual Vestry Meetings

Today (Sun 22 March)

St Bart's 12 noon

St Matt's and Grace Church 3pm (at St Matt's).

Easter Reading Guides

Why not share the Easter story with a friend! There are Easter reading guides published by City Bible Forum which are available for a gold coin donation at the office.

Crèche helpers required

Our Wednesday morning women's Bible study is in real need of crèche helpers to help supervise our group of up to 14+ children, to allow young mums the chance to study the Bible together. Please contact Sum Lock (0410 332 422) if you are free and willing.

Compassion BBQ

Thank you to everyone who came to the compassion BBQ and supporting the kid's ministry programs.

Thanksgiving for Barbara Burton

We give great thanks to God for the life of Barbara and her long membership of St Matthew's. Barbara went to be with the Lord on Sunday 15 March, 2015.

Grace Network Office

Mel James has commenced her maternity leave. And we welcome Becky Hams as she takes over the role of our office administrator. Becky will be contactable in the office Monday to Thursday 9am – 12 noon. The email and phone numbers remain the same. office@stmatts.asn.au
8332 7715

St Matt's Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers or make a donation towards the cost of flowers for our Easter services, please contact Pam Thomson 8331 3815 or the office.

50+ Meeting

Leading up to Anzac Day. Guest speaker Keith Bettany will be talking on "Changi Prisoner of War Paintings". Thursday 26 March at 7pm at St Matt's. All Welcome!