



Rosefield
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Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing
Sunday 25th July 2021

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Readings

25th July

2 Samuel 11: 1-15

Psalm 14

Ephesians 3: 14 -21

John 6: 1- 21.

1st August

2 Samuel 11: 26 – 12:13a

Psalm 51

Ephesians 4: 1 - 16

John 6: 24 - 35

G'day folks,

Well, well, well. My first lockdown. I have managed to avoid them up until now. When the Territory was in lockdown, I was an essential frontline worker required to work extra hours! Chaplaincy services are needed in times of crisis, so I found myself with additional work. This lockdown period is a bit surreal for me; however, I'm sure you are all well versed in coping strategies. Thank you to everyone who has reached out this week; I have enjoyed lots of zoom chats with friends. Remember last week when I said this congregation is one marked by care for each other? Weeks like this remind us how important it is to reach out and check in on one another. We often think our efforts are small and insignificant, but they are life-giving for others.

The Gospel set out for this week records the feeding of the 5000. I love this story, and I was looking forward to playing with it in church. It is a reimagining of the exodus and the feeding of the people in the desert. In this story, we find connections with our communion service and the life of Jesus. In this story of great wonder, we see a young person offering an inadequate gift that Jesus transformed to feed the 5000 gathered then and us today.

This week, I'm sure you have thought that staying at home isn't making a huge difference. Think about that young person and the small amount of food. You are making a huge difference literally to the lives of our neighbours.

Keep it up, friends.

Richard



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PASTORAL CARE

ROSEFIELD PRAYER MEETING - 8:00am Wednesday mornings (online)

A half-hour time of prayer for our church and community. Come online at 8:00 am on Wednesday mornings if you would like to be part of praying for our church, or if you would like prayer (for yourself or someone else) or would like to pray for something on your heart. Everyone is welcome. Scott Hutchinson and Rob Rodenburg. Go to: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9607672787?pwd=ZVJZeWVPRUlvR2xuZENQVjJlcWk0dz09>

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Longest Table returns! **Now Postponed !!!**

Su Coutts and Margie Buxton invite you to join in a Jam packed evening to help fight Cancer. Jam it on Your Fork at Rosefield. Just to be clear this had been postponed to a date to be advised, **watch this space!!!**

- When: TBA.

Contact Su Coutts 0401 903 993 or Margie Buxton 0403 402 391



Garden Group annual winter slide morning, Fri 30th July at 10.30am at church

It is too cold and wet to venture out much in July, so the Garden Group has once again invited David Parham to present photos of his overseas garden trips. This time, David will showcase Italian gardens, from Roman times up until the present. And given the similarity of climate between Italy and Adelaide, I'd expect to see Rosefield gardens sporting long columns of pencil pines, ornate fountains and marble sculptures on 10-acre estates after this talk! Fri 30th July at 10.30am, at the church. Everyone welcome, especially armchair gardeners and travellers. Covid restrictions mean we can't share a morning tea, but please bring something to nibble on yourself. Alice McCleary 0419 808 635

Garden Group Excursion –

Arid Lands Botanic Gardens, Port Augusta, 4th - 5th September

I am seeking expressions of interest from the Rosefield community for a weekend excursion to the Arid Lands Botanic Gardens at Port Augusta (<https://www.aalbg.org/>) on 4th- 5th September. Not surprisingly, the gardens specialise in the thousands of unique plants of the Australian desert and outback – places where annual rainfall is less than 300mm (12"). I have chosen early September as it should be peak flowering season, and it should also be cool! The site is 250ha, and with the plants comes a plethora of native birds and animals. There is lots for children to do as well.

My draft suggested itinerary is as follows:

- Depart Rosefield 8am Sat 4th Sept
- Lunch at the excellent café at the Arid Lands Botanic Gardens
- Afternoon at leisure to explore the gardens – we may be able to have a guided tour, and there are many diverse habitats to explore on our own. Those less interested in the gardens may also like to explore other attractions in Port Augusta.
- Dinner at a local pub or restaurant
- Overnight at a motel
- Church in Port Augusta on Sunday morning
- Return to Rosefield mid-afternoon Sun 5th Sept.

If there is sufficient interest, we could explore hiring a small bus. Some may like to take their vans. Suggestions about the itinerary are most welcome. Please email (amccleary@internode.on.net) or text me if you are interested in going, and whether the mini-bus idea is appealing. Once I have an idea of numbers we can explore accommodation and dinner options. Alice McCleary 0419 808 635

Rosefield Annual Caravan/Cabin getaway at Kapunda March 21st-25th 2022

Nigel and Trina Cord-Udy are co-ordinating for 2022 and some members have made bookings. Everyone is welcome and if interested please book either a cabin or caravan site at Kapunda Tourist Park (8566 2094) stating you are part of the Rosefield Group. Please also let the Cord-Udy's know so that they can keep you updated.

WIDER COMMUNITY

CMLA Music and Worship Day

Music is important in worship, it can enliven and deepen worship, and it can do the opposite. What we sing shapes our theology and our knowledge of God.

Cost: \$50 per person , \$120 for 3 or more people from one congregation.

On Saturday 21 August 2021 at 10:00 am to 4:00 pm here at Rosefield.

Please let the Church office know if you would like to join us at this event!

