

## Focus on Today's News

North Turramurra Church of Christ has an intern counsellor available to provide support for a variety of life issues. \$20 a session or a voucher is available from Stephen to see the Counsellor.

*Please phone the church on 9988-4688.*

### **DIVORCECARE**

Following an increase in the demand for support during family break up, we are entering our second year of running DivorceCare, an internationally recognised series of DVD's and discussion.

We are conducting DivorceCare, a group for men and women needing support following separation or divorce. DivorceCare features internationally recognised experts on divorce and recovery topics including: "Facing my anger", "Facing my loneliness", "Depression", "New relationships", "KidCare" and "Forgiveness".

Meeting each Thursday 9.30am -11.00am. Childcare will be provided if requested.

*For more information please call Wendy 0411060780  
or Juliet 0403076913.*

### **Direct Debit**

Direct debit is a way to give to God first after we have received our wages. There has been an increase in the number of people giving by direct debit. Giving by direct debit accounts for 40% of our weekly church giving. If you would like to give your *offering* by direct debit please use the following and see your bank to begin the process of being a planned deliberate giver to God.

BSB: 032188      A/C: 132924

On 25 April every year we commemorate Anzac Day. This day commemorates the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915. The date, 25 April, was officially named ANZAC Day in 1916. Anzac stands for *Australian and New Zealand Army Corps*. After the Second World War Anzac day became a day on which the lives of all Australians lost in war and peacekeeping actions are remembered. The spirit of Anzac recognises the qualities of courage, mate ship and sacrifice which were firstly demonstrated at the Gallipoli landing.

Anzac day is an opportunity to remember those whose lives that have been lost. During our services today we will take time to remember and to pay tribute to those who have given us so much.

Anzac day is also a time of celebration. It is celebrating the general qualities of those who sacrificed their lives. Today we remember the contribution of others lives that have enabled us to live with such a rich and free heritage.

Today as we commemorate Anzac day we also have the opportunity to sign up for the *Pentecost 09* campaign. We trust that this will be a spiritually refreshing time as we focus on the Holy Spirit.

—Stephen Cathcart

**26 April 2009**

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“Jesus did not come to explain away suffering or remove it. He came to fill it with His presence.”

*Paul Claudel*

## **PRAYER BREAKFAST**

*Saturday 9th May 2009 at 7.30am*

Most of our members know that there is a great cooperation of our local Churches in the KCEA (Ku-ring-gai Christian Education Association) that collectively have for over 10 years arranged for the Religious Education by a professional teacher in our local High School on the Bobbin Head Road .

We have in Mrs Danielle Allen an excellent and enthusiastic teacher who during the week teaches in a large number of classes from the Bible and the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Once or twice a year our church invites her to report for several of our congregations and three times a year a Prayer Breakfast is held for the same purpose and to give church members the opportunity to pray for Danielle and for her Ministry in the High School.

**The next Prayer Breakfast will be held in our Church on Saturday 9th May at 7.30—9.00am**

*Please mark this date and come and support this wonderful Ministry.*

## ***Pentecost 09***

*Pentecost 09* will be a church wide campaign of studies for 8 weeks beginning Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. The campaign will lead us from Easter into the church season that has commonly been called *Pentecost* or *Whitsunday*. The 8-week campaign will involve messages on a Sunday and then home group material for all of us to study. We trust that you will give thought to what group you can join. On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April and 3<sup>rd</sup> May there will be an opportunity to sign up for this impacting campaign.

## **Notice White House maintenance work**

In order to ensure that funds are available to complete the maintenance of the White House, a special meeting will be held in the hall of the North Turramurra Church of Christ, 217 Bobbin Head Road, North Turramurra, at 11:15am on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, to discuss a recommendation by the Elders that the Church resolve to accept a loan of up to \$90,000 from the Property Trust Deposit Fund. Adoption of the recommendation will require the approval of 75% of the members present and entitled to vote.

## ***Wallpaper ‘Strippers’ wanted***

On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> may we are hiring a machine to take the last of the wallpaper off the walls of the white house. We need some volunteers to strip with the machine. The times are:

8am-12noon

12noon - 4pm

You will need to bring dishwashing gloves, scraper and some rags  
*If you can help please see Morris*

## Today

## Next Sunday

- 9:30am SoulCare**  
Richard Oakes  
'Psalm 16'
- 9:30am Praise and Communion**  
Stephen Cathcart  
'The Sacrifice'
- 10:30am Morning Tea**
- 12:30pm Korean Community**
- 7:00pm Connect @ 7**  
Stephen Cathcart  
'Memorial'

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### MOWING ROSTER

2nd May 2009

Ron Watt

### MINISTRY TEAM

Stephen Cathcart	Senior Minister	0419 460 487
Richard Oakes	Associate Minister	0434 104 555
John Park	Korean Minister	0425 833 510
Loida Dart	Chaplain	9440 3723
Louise Joyce	Office Administrator	9988 4688

### Prayer Hotline

9487 3918

Hanna Dijkstra

All requests are kept confidential and treated with the greatest respect.

### Church Bulletin Information and Service Presentations

Deadline for all office requests are due by **Friday 9am**.

Please contact the office on 9988 4688 or email Louise at [office@northturramurrachurch.org.au](mailto:office@northturramurrachurch.org.au)

Office Hours: Wednesday and Friday 9am—5pm

Web site: [www.northturramurrachurch.org.au](http://www.northturramurrachurch.org.au)

## Prayer and Praise

- Praise God for the resurrection of Jesus and the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for the community counseling service that is open Tuesday and Wednesday 11am-2pm and Monday evenings at 7:30-9:30pm.
- Pray for the Jagelman and Phillips family as they teach, plan and prepare for the ongoing mission in China.
- Pray for the right people to come along to the DivorceCare course on Thursday mornings during school term.
- Pray for the *Pentecost 09* series, for the messages and home group studies. Pray that people will be comfortable to join a home group for the 8 weeks of the church wide campaign.
- Pray for the children's ministry team as they prepare for term 2. Pray that they will be revitalized during the school holidays.
- Pray for Pastor John and Mi as they prepare their forms for Australian residency

*One way that we can encourage one another is through prayer. We want to pray for encouragement, protection, family relationships and God's blessing on these families this week...*

### This week please pray for:

MONDAY: Sandie MILLER

TUESDAY: Jake MITCHELL

WEDNESDAY: Jo MOHR

THURSDAY: Dylan, Elaine, Lois and Sophie MORGAN

FRIDAY: Beverley MOTT

## Psalm 23:4

*"Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid. You are with me. Your shepherd's rod and staff comfort me."*