

Focus on Today's News

Happy Mothers day to all our mothers! Today we have an opportunity to say 'thank you' to our mothers and to reveal to them how much we appreciate their part in our lives.

Yet, Mothers day is not everyone's favourite day of the year. For some their mother has passed way or some people have bad memories of their mother, whilst others may have longed to be a mother and have been unable to, or for their others children may not contact them.

Emerson said 'People are what their mothers make them'. Lord Shaftesbury made the statement 'Give me a generation of Christian mothers, and I will undertake to change the whole face of society in twelve months.' It is true to say that the influence of a mother in her home upon the lives of her children cannot be measured. The mother-infant bond is an intense relationship of unparalleled human affection. It is the foundation of the child's emotional and physical survival.

To all our mothers we trust that you are encouraged to continue the process of mothering in God's strength and wisdom. May God bless you today.

—*Stephen Cathcart*

Today	Next Sunday
9:30am SoulCare Stephen Cathcart 'Appearance'	9:30am SoulCare Stephen Cathcart 'Promise of the Spirit'
9:30am Praise and Communion Richard Oakes 'Appearance'	9:30am Praise and Communion Richard Oakes 'Promise of the Spirit'
10:30am Morning Tea	10:30am Morning Tea
12:30pm Korean Community	12:30pm Korean Community
7:00pm Connect @ 7 Stephen Cathcart 'Appearance'	7:00pm Connect @ 7 Stephen Cathcart 'Promise of the Spirit'

MOWING ROSTER

16th May 2009

Chris Barnes

Prayer Hotline

9487 3918

Hanna Dijkstra

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

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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
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Mum's R & R

NEW PROGRAM

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, during the school term, from 9:30—11:30am, mums of babies—school aged children come together for morning tea, a chat and activities.

Beginning term 2 Louise will be leading the children in various activities. This will allow the Mums to have some time to themselves. Louise has a diploma in Children's Services and has much experience with children of this age group.

Pentecost 09

We study Pentecost to learn about the resurrection of Christ, the coming of the Holy Spirit and the empowering of the church for mission.

The aims of the *Pentecost 09* studies are:

To understand what happened after the resurrection of Christ:

- To participate in a small group experience
- To study as a whole church around a common theme and emphasis
- To help people grow in their personal relationship with God
- To learn about the Holy Spirit leading to lives changed
- To have an impartation of the Holy Spirit to prepare ourselves for the future mission and ministry of the church

As you journey with these *Pentecost 09* studies may they enable you to know the Holy Spirit and to sense His transforming power as you grow and discern what it is to follow Christ. I hope that this will be a significant phase in your spiritual and corporate life that will bring lasting impact.

—Stephen

Prayer and Praise

- Praise God for the work of Peter on the 'white house'
- Pray for Wendy as she counsels people in our church during the week. Pray for supernatural empowerment to do her role
- Pray for the health of the Jagelmans and Phillips families in China.
- Pray for Nathan & Tina as they attend classes and try to learn Mandarin
- Pray for the right people to come to the DivorceCare course on Thursday mornings
- Pray for the home groups as the *Pentecost 09* campaign begins. Pray that people will be comfortable to join a home group for the 8 weeks of the church-wide campaign.
- Pray for the R and R group as it recommences for term 2. Pray for Louise and Angela as they plan and contact people for term 2
- Pray for Pastor John & 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:

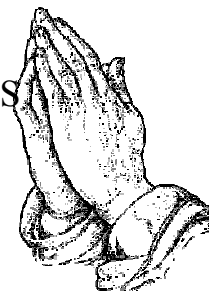
MONDAY: Richard, Janet, Natalie and Matthew OAKES

TUESDAY: John, Mi, David, Samuel PARK

WEDNESDAY: Korean Community Church

THURSDAY: Barton, Arlette PERKINS

FRIDAY: Mae PETERSON



Deuteronomy 32:4 (KJV)

"He is the Rock, His work is perfect...a God of truth...just and right is He."

North Turrumurra 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 DVDs 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.*

Accommodation for Jagelmans

In January 2010 Alex, Josh and family are coming back for 12 months for schooling and medical procedures. As a result, we are seeking accommodation for the Jagelman family. If you know of cheap rental (as neither will have a job when they return) could you please let Stephen know.

L.S.L.

After 13 years of ministry at North Turrumurra, Angela, Stephen and the boys have decided to take 'Long Service Leave'. This will commence on the 21st September and conclude on the 4th November 2009. Part of this time will be visiting Angela's family in Germany.

Working bee

Last Sunday, the church voted overwhelmingly to take out a loan for \$90 000 to pay for the renovation of the 'white house'. Many made pledges in February and we need them as the first bills for the electrician and plumber are due..

On Saturday 16th May from 8am is our next working bee to help Peter with the 'white house' renovation.

GFC

Our treasurer Neil Barnes has been closely watching the church financial position. Presently, our total income has decreased by 9% from July 2008 to April 2009. This is a common statistic across churches and charities as they adjust to a transitional economic environment. We continue to act in faith and make decisions based on what we believe to be God's direction for our church. We would ask for your prayers at this time that we may clearly hear from the Lord and make wise decisions for the future.

Mount Druitt

The prayer letter from Mount Druitt is on the foyer notice board. As we pray we prepare ourselves for the mission in Mt Druitt in July 20-26th. The mission week will consist of an hours input and discussion in the mornings from various presenters, such as, Pastor Matthew and Sister Esther (from Nigeria who sensed God's call to help plant a church in Mt Druitt), Jon Owen (UNOH) who has developed a community and is the new chaplain for the day care centre. The mornings will consist of prayer and the afternoons will be activity to contact, communicate and minister to people. Mark the week in your diary and spend a week, a day, a morning, an afternoon and be part of building the church in Mt Druitt.

Financial Considerations

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

Churches of Christ NSW Annual Conference and Learning Event

15-16th May

Northside Community Church

Friday – from 1030 to 4pm – the learning event with Dale Stephenson senior Pastor of Crossway Baptist church in Victoria

Friday night is FUSE-youth Event

www.myspace.com/fusetheyouth

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea *A Fund Raising event for the Cancer Council*

Wednesday 27th May between 10am and noon

In the church hall

Guessing games, competitions and many cuppas
Bring your money with you as all proceeds go to the
Cancer Council

See the poster in the porch

EPIC^{YOUTH}

Years 4—6

Friday 6:30—8pm

Friday 8th: "chocorama"

High school students
Friday 7:30—9:30pm.
Friday 8th: "God says..."



Sycamore

This **Wednesday 7pm** young adults will meet together at **Danielle Mather's** house for a *House Party*. BYO meat, drinks, snacks and friends!

Check out our fabulous website:
www.climbsycamore.com

