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FEATURED NEWS



MISSION PARTNER

SU Chaplaincy at Middle Ridge State School.

For prayer points, see the back of the news.



MISSION PARTNER LOCAL

SU Australia Chaplaincy:
Tricia Quattromani,
Middle Ridge State
Primary School



St Bart's Liaison
Geoff Bishop



GENERAL NEWS

LIFE TOGETHER: PRAY.

Prayer has been at the heart of our church. There are many ways that we participate in prayer. Check out our Engine Room Prayer groups and other lists. You can join for a short season or longer term stbarts.com.au/pray

Week on Your Frontline. *How can you use this Advent season to demonstrate God's generosity?*

Christmas Workshop. Thank you to everyone who was involved! You can still purchase coloured or cards to decorate for \$10 each (15 cards in each set). These are a great way to share the Good News of Jesus with others.

Advent Resources. There are a number of ways to use this Advent season to give thanks for the great gift of Jesus' first coming, but also to look forward in anticipation of Jesus' return. You could collect a series overview, borrow an Advent devotional from the Library, or memorise the passages we will be looking at.

FOCUS Weekend Away 2026. Early bird registrations are open! Join us next year for a weekend away to Coolum Beach, from Friday 22 May - Sunday 24 May. There will be a great mixture of Bible teaching, time to enjoy the beach, and make new friends. You secure your place with a 25% deposit. Find out more and register at: stbarts.com.au/focus

COMING UP

Dec 3: Transforming Work
Dec 9: Carols by Glowstick
Dec 10: Carols by Glowstick
Dec 24: Christmas Eve
Dec 25: Christmas Day

NEWS HIGHLIGHT

One of the *best* opportunities we have throughout the year to share the good news of Jesus is at Christmas! Even though it might be a busy time of year, it also has *so many* opportunities to invite friends, neighbours, colleagues, and family to hear about Jesus in a fun way.

One exciting opportunity to rejoice in the good news of Jesus and invite others to share in that joy - is our two nights of *Carols by Glowstick*! These two nights are really for all ages. There will be plenty of glowsticks, beautiful music, carols to sing-along to, a kids talk, and a clear message from the apologist Dan Paterson. Come along both or either night: Tuesday 9th December 7-8pm and Wednesday 10 December, 7-8pm.

I'd encourage you to think about *who will you invite?* Who would you love to know Jesus? Recent research in Australia indicates people are *far more likely* than we'd expect, to accept an invitation to church from someone they know.

Some of the best ways you can invite someone along:

- **Invite them in-person** the next time you see them. Take a flyer so they know all the details.
- **Send a message** inviting them to join you.
- **Host a dinner before Carols** and invite people to *both* dinner and carols.
- **Share on social media** the event and details.

Please pray that the two nights will glorify God, be welcoming to those exploring to faith, and even that people will take a next step in their relationship with God.

Amy Norman (*Director of Discipleship & Training*)



PRAYER THIS WEEK

Workers for the Harvest.
Give great thanks and praise for the launch of the church plant! Pray for protection for all, a sense of joy and unity amongst all those who continue to attend. Continue to pray for an Asst. Minister, Youth Minister, Church Planter. Pray that God brings us workers for the harvest.

Life Together - PRAY. *Please pray that we will be a people (individuals and as a whole) who increasingly hunger for God's presence and to know God's will especially through our devotion to prayer.*

SU Middle Ridge. *Pray for: family relationships to strengthen; Year 6s in their final weeks of primary school, for protection as they step into high school; protection for children from the influence of online platforms, for parents to have wisdom to guide and safeguard children; for our teachers to finish the school year well, even with the extra demands on their time; support and favour for the Chaplaincy in the new year; for people to hear the true Christmas message; pray for Tricia's husband's health.*

Those unwell/in need.
Charlotte, Morgan, Hannah, Robbie, Cheryl, Dell, Bill, Graham B, Reg, Josh, Alan, Tridiv, Amy F, John W.

GIVING Details

Giving in October	\$49,364
Budgeted Amount	\$60,000
Giving 2025 (to date)	\$562,292
Budget (to date)	\$600,000

Ways to financially support the ministry of St Bart's:

#1 Direct Deposit

Tithes & Offerings
BSB: 704 901 Acc: 00009650

Church Building Fund
BSB: 704 901 Acc: 00014729

#2 In-Person

Gifts can be placed in offertory box at rear of the auditorium.

#3 Scan the QR Code



BIBLE READINGS

If you don't have a Bible or a Bible app with you, you can collect one from the ushers. You're also very welcome to keep one and take it home!

TODAY	NEXT WEEK
Isaiah 9:1-7	Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalms 122	Ps. 72:1-7, 18-21
Matthew 4:12-22	Luke 2:8-14

SUNDAY SERVICES

7.30AM In-Person & Online*
9.30AM In-Person & Online*
6.00PM In-Person

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SUNDAY SERMON NOTES

Series: Advent (1/4) HOPE — The Promise of a Saviour (Isaiah 9:1-7)

소망 - 구원자의 언약 | nōth- Bēēn dē Dulēēk | நம்பிக்கை - இரட்சகரைப் பற்றிய வாக்கு
By Rev'd Adam Lowe

Hope Acknowledges Reality (Light in the Darkness)

소망은 현실을 인정합니다 (어둠 속의 빛) | nōth dē Nyōth dē yic (Èëir nē Chuöl yic) | நம்பிக்கை. உண்மை நிலவரம் ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளும். (இருளில் வெளிச்சம்)

Hope Comes from the Outside (Salvation from God)

소망은 외부로부터 옵니다 (하나님께서 주시는 구원) | nōth - Bō'nē b.Bān bei yic (Luāk tē nōi Nhialic) | நம்பிக்கை வெளியிலிருந்து வருகிறது. (இரட்சிப்பு கர்த்தரிடமிருந்து வருகிறது.)

Hope Can be Known (His Name is Jesus)

소망은 알 수 있습니다 (그의 이름은 예수입니다) | Lōjjiŋ dē Kōk juāny Yēcu cōk | நம்பிக்கையை அறிய முடியும். (அவர் பெயர் இயேசு)

Sermon Series and Weekly Family Resources

Download a transcript of today's sermon by scanning the QR Code. Translation points in Korean, Dinka, Simplified Chinese and Tamil. For sermons (video, audio, transcripts), Small Group, St Bart's Kids, and Youth resources:

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