Christian Reformed Church of Dandenong (Inc.)

"Proclaiming and Living the Word of God in a Changing Community"





Welcome A warm welcome to all who join us today in giving worship and praise to our great God and Saviour. May this be a time of growing in grace and strengthening our relationship with the Lord and with each other. Please join us for a cuppa after the service. If you are visiting today, please sign our visitor's Book. We have an information leaflet explaining our church's ministries and activities, feel free to take one or ask for one.

WORSHIP TODAY

9:30 AM Rev Crosbie de Krester

Message: Thanksgiving is Thanksliving

Reading: Psalm 116

6:00 PM Rev Harry Berends

Message: The resurrection of the body Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 35 - 54 and

2 Corinthians 5: 1 - 10

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Rev Bill Berends 6:00 PM Br Herman Linde

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church

2 - RTC

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church

2 – Cornerstone

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges \$1143.70 Local Church \$203.95 Gideons \$532.25



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING:

Today: S & G. Zaphiris, C. Berman,

H & J. Burgraaf

Next Week: J & M. Austrums, M. La Croix,

C. Poulier

August 4 J & A. van Breen, C. Yong,

G & L. Zomerdyk

August 11 T & R. Ratjes, M & T. Eleveld

J. Bruinewoud

PA & VIDEO:

Today: David & Phillip Ellings

Next Week: Evert & Marnice Maarjee

GREETERS

Today: Vera Steendam, Con Daniels

Next week: George & Leny Zomerdyk

Our Worship Today

Today we welcome **Rev Crosbie de Krester** who will lead us in worship this morning and **Rev Harry Berends** for the evening service May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Pastoral and Prayer Points

• Today we give thanks to God, as we look back on 60 years of existence as a church community. We can reflect on many blessings

over those 60 years and many events and highlights. as well as sad times of loss and difficulty, but always we have known God sovereignly guiding and caring for us, equipping us and growing us in maturity. We give Him praise and thanks for His care and provision for us these many years.

- Kath and Colin Harrison wish to thank everyone for sustaining them in prayer these past weeks. They are proud to announce the safe arrival, on Monday 15th July, of little Annamarie Evelyn Harrison: a little sister for Isaac - who weighed in at 3.74 kgs. There were some complications with the afterbirth and with bleeding for Kath; for which she required a transfusion, and a longer stay in hospital, they went home on Thursday for complete rest for 48 hours. They thank everyone for their support and prayers. Congratulations with your new daughter Kath and Colin!
- John and Corry Blik are thankful for the many people who pray for them. Corry received her fifth chemo therapy treatment this week, for which she was required to stay in hospital overnight. She also received 2 blood transfusions following it. The oncologist informed Corry and John that blood transfusions can be expected while undergoing chemo treatment.

On Tuesday 23rd July, Corry is scheduled for her last chemo session. She will have a scan later on the same day to determine the result of this treatment course. Corry and John then have an appointment with the oncologist on Tuesday the 30th July when they hope to hear good results, the Lord willing. Corry has been feeling reasonably well this past fortnight. We hope that she'll remain this way with medication.

Pray for **Sue and John Iepema** as they support Sue's mother during the final days of her life at Avondrust. May God's grace and love sustain them with loving care and patience as they keep this vigil with the

- wider family.(Written Wednesday evening.)
- Congratulations to Marianne Piening who celebrated a milestone birthday this past week. She is grateful for experiencing 70 years of God's care and enabling, and is enjoying her sister Annette and Danny with their family here from Perth. God bless you Marianne!

Wanted

Due to the unfortunate retirement of our current Church Council secretary at the end of June, Church Council are keen to hear from any Church members who would be willing to fill this important role. Ideally the willing applicant would need basic computer skills for recording and producing minutes etc. Access to a computer or laptop is desirable for sending and receiving documents. Church Council meets every month on a Thursday evening.

If you feel you could use your gifts in this role please contact a Church Council member for details. This will save us having to approach you!

Volunteer Bible Readers,

We are looking at increasing our list of volunteers to participate on a regular roster of reading the scriptures during either service held on a Sunday. We are desperately needing more readers for the evening services as it's left to just a FEW very dedicated readers to read each Sunday evening. Please consider and speak to Julie about becoming

a regular reader.

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Your comments are welcome

Newsletter compiled by Adrian de Vos. Email newsletter@dcrc.org.au Phone 9547 6878

News items dead line is 5 PM Wednesday.

Please Note:

Change of Address for **Ann Daniels**Avondrust Room 59,
1105 Frankston Dandenong Road, Carrum Downs.
3201

Supporting Churches of the RTC:

The RTC is offering three subjects next semester for students to undertake via Distance mode; the units are accredited for awards granted by the Australian College of Theology.

Enrolments are now open and 'classes' will begin during the week commencing Monday 29 July 2013.

Look for the posters in the foyer area:

For further information or enrolments, please visit the RTC's distance education site (www.refstudy.org) or email registrar@rtc.edu.au

SHAWLANDS COMMITTEE NEWS.

The Shawlands Committee will be organising the Monthly BBQ for the Shawlands Park Community for FRIDAY the 26th JULY. Please pray for us as we make our preparations for this day. Pray also that the Lord will enable us to continue to touch the lives of the residents in the Park, as we meet with them and extend our Christian hospitality, understanding and support. May God bless our endeavours, all those involved and the Park residents.

On behalf of the Shawlands Committee – Monica Austrums

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Wilma Tiley	Today	July 21
Olga Pleiter		July 27
Kees Sluiter		July 27

After a certain number of birthdays, we begin to see the spontaneous beauty of the life God gives us each day, and we appreciate its unique pattern...

After a certain number of birthdays, we marvel at our own original design May this year of your life be blessed by knowing in every moment, in every day, He is shaping you in His loving and perfect design.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

THE GRACE GROW GROUP (Triple G)

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 2.00-3.30 pm. Leader is John Nicholson. This week we meet at John & Heather's place Unit 56 Outlook Gardens. Everyone is welcome. Contact on 97956252

OASIS GROWTH GROUP

The Oasis Growth Group will meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month, at the Burggraaf's from 7.30-9.30 pm. Check with John and Sue Van Garderen - Ph: 8376 6556, if there are any changes.

COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Meets each Tuesday 10am, at the church, during the school terms.

Helen van Garderen

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

We meet every second Friday. Next meeting wil be at the home of Tom and Jess Kram 6 Kirribilli Av Keysborough at 8pm on Friday 26th July.

Call 97031613 for details

VENTURE BIBLE STUDY

(Young Adults) is on a Monday on a fortnightly basis starting at 7:30 and meeting in the resource room at church. If you want to be part of this group let David Barrot know on 0401 073 954, it would be great to see you there."

AFRIKAANS BIBLE STUDY

We meet every second Tuesday evening at the home of the Pretorius family. We are currently busy with a study of the book of James. If you'd like to be part of this group please see Colin or Maggie Pretorius.

SPECIAL EVENT!!! 6pm ~ Sunday 18 Aug

Mt Evelyn Christian Reformed Church 45-47 Birmingham Rd, Mt Evelyn

We celebrate with Family Voice Australia in their 40th year of Family Voice ministry as they present a national tour by international Bible teacher ~ Vishal Mangalwadi



Vishal Mangalwadi knows the difference the Bible can bring to everyday life – blessing the lives of individuals and communities, even nations. Vishal grew up in India, surrounded by Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic cultures. But in his teens he became a Christian, attracted to the life and teachings of Jesus. After studying philosophy at university, and spending time living in a Hindu ashram, he began to recognise the enormous benefits that God's Word has given to Western nations.

We are honored to have Vishal as a guest on Sunday evening 18 August, at Mt Evelyn Christian Reformed Church and invite you, your friends & family to come along – all welcome!

News from the Churches

Hi I just wanted to let you all know if you're not aware already, that the new CRCA website is live.

If you have contributed blog posts in the past or would like to contribute, I've posted some instructions here on how to do this - http://crca.org.au/get-involved/discussions/contributing-a-blog-post.html

I'll also be bringing further information over coming weeks about how to contribute items for discussion, updating church details, and mail lists.

Kind Regards Phil Warburton



Smile a While

Motorists along a busy highway are getting an unusual reminder to slow down in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

"Caution: Nudist Crossing" declares a sign erected by Danny and La Vonna Scheurich on their property on Stroudsburg Pike in East Lampeter Township.

The Scheurichs say they were concerned about the safety of their two sons and two daughters, ages seven through thirteen. "It's more or less a joke, but there is seriousness behind it," Mrs. Scheurich said. "But believe it or not, they are slowing down."

--Funny Funny World

A woman with fourteen children, ages one through fourteen, sued her husband for divorce on the grounds of desertion.

"When did he desert you?" the judge asked.

"Thirteen years ago," she replied.

"If he left thirteen years ago, where did all these children come from?"

"Oh," said the woman, "he kept coming back to say he was sorry."