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# Report card

## 6 months to Dec 07



EcoChurch is about being committed stewards of God's creation and responding to the current environmental crisis by taking actions as a church, and as individuals.

### **Achievements to date**

- EcoChurch dedicated on Palm Sunday, the day after Earth Hour 31 March 2007, and commenced on World Environment Day 5 June 2007.
- Recycling centre established – see figures below.
- 10,000 litres water tank in place for St Mark's Kindergarten toilet flushing and garden –substantial funding raised by parishioner giving.
- EcoGoals commitments made by 20 St Mark's households.
- EcoChurch website established as an education resource and accessible from the Diocese of Sydney website.
- Monthly education flyers distributed to St Mark's members.
- St Mark's represented in the Walk Against Warming 11 November 2007 coordinated by the Nature Conservation Council of NSW.
- St Mark's provided an Anglican response at the Faith Ecology Network seminars 'Climate Faith Change' held at Auburn in June 2007.
- Initial discussions with Kogarah Council about joint initiatives.

### **Recycling since June 2007**

- **Thousands** of postage stamps for ABM to sell
- **500** magazines that Sr Yvonne will distribute to men and women in prison.
- **28** toner cartridges.
- **4** mobile phones.
- **118** optical glasses that Foresight Australia will distribute in developing countries.
- **13kg** of candle stubs to be made into candles by The Church Candle House operated by Ann Clipsham.
- **Lots** of clothes through the Anglicare clothing bin.

### **Information and news**

More about the project from Bruce Cooke, Bridget McKern, Robert Nelson, Sandra Scott and from the St Mark's EcoChurch webpage:

**[www.southhurstville.anglican.asn.au/ecochurch.htm](http://www.southhurstville.anglican.asn.au/ecochurch.htm)**

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