



Parramatta
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Synod of NSW & ACT

OUR NEWS for 19th February 2017



*Congregational life @ Westmead &
Parramatta, Hospitality, Community and
Mental Health Services across
Greater Sydney and beyond*

Our Vision

*A Community Transforming Lives
Our Values, Grace, Inclusion, Dignity,
Faith and Hope*

LEIGH CONGREGATION

LEIGH MEMORIAL CONGREGATION CALENDAR 2017

** Our calendar for this year was confirmed at the recent Leaders' team meeting. It will however be subject to a few modifications and additions as the year progresses. Please note: Group and program leaders should be consulted for details regarding specific group meeting times and group events which are scheduled for the year ahead.

Sunday 26 February - 'Shrove' Pancakes morning tea

(hosted by the Sunday School)

Wednesday 1 March - Combined Ash Wednesday worship service, 7pm

Sundays 5 March-2 April - 'Lent Event 2017' Sundays

Sunday 12 March - 'Parramasala' Service + Multicultural Brunch

Sunday 26 March - Annual Congregation Meeting (including group reports, updates and election of Leaders team/ other reps for 2017-18)

Thursday 13 April - 'Tenebrae' gathering, including dinner

Friday-Sunday: 14 - 17 April - Easter weekend

Sunday 23 April - Anzac commemoration @ 9.00am, prior to 9.30am service

Sunday 30 April - Multicultural service

1 - 31 May - 'Hospitality Month'

(hosted by LM Leaders team members - various dates)

Sunday 28 May - Couples and Friends Annual Service

Sunday 18 June - UCA 40th Anniversary services followed by Combined Luncheon @ the CFM

Sunday 20 August - Abraham Conference (pm)

Thursday 21 September - International Day of Peace prayer service (pm)

Tuesday-Friday: 3 - 6 October - Parramatta Lanes week (tbc)

Sunday 29 October - Multicultural service

Saturday 4 November - Music Praise Team Concert (pm)

Saturday 2 December - Community Peace Dinner

Sunday 10 December - Sunday School Prize Giving

Thursday 14 December - PM Carols in Centenary Square

Sunday 17 December - Carol service (am) & Blue Christmas (pm)

WORSHIP ROSTER & HELPING/ LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2017

If you would like to read the bible in our morning worship, serve communion or help in any way, please speak with Malcolm or Manas asap and be added to our new roster. **Those wishing to read or pray in languages other than English are also warmly encouraged to express interest.** We will also shortly be electing a new Leaders' team for 2017-18. If you are interested in joining our team which meets every two months for an hour or so after the morning service and co-ordinates various activities/ events in the life of the congregation in addition to having some input into pastoral care, please see Manas or Bruce prior to the Congregation Meeting on 26 March. Other help at congregation events and on various committees is also needed. Please speak with group/ event leaders.

E-TREE - OUR ONLINE MAG!

Our wonderful online magazine will be coming out again shortly. To view past editions, go to the PM website <https://www.parramattamission.org.au/> and follow the 'Congregations' link to the Leigh Memorial Congregation Menu & then to 'E-tree'. From this year, limited hard copies of the E-tree magazine will be available with each new edition. Thanks to Editor Clive and all of the magazine's regular and guest contributors.



MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC the food of life.

I read somewhere recently that music is better than food. So if you have a hunger for music, why not come along to the Music Team. We meet Monday nights at 7-00pm in the church. But not on the first Monday of the month.



This year our theme for the concert is "Leigh Goes Irish and all things Celtic". The concert is on Saturday the 4th of November 2017 starting at 7-00pm. So put it in your diaries. It should be a real Shamrock of an evening. "To be sure, to be sure, to be sure". For more information please contact Malcolm Dunbar 96305240.

The Stations of the Cross Exhibition, jointly sponsored by Northmead Uniting Church and Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School, curated by Rev Dr Doug Purnell and held in the high school hall is

Open to "public" – 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday, 3 April to Sunday, 9 April

By appointment – Monday, 10 April to Thursday, 13 April

Open to "public" – 10.00am to 4.00pm Friday, 14 April to Sunday, 16 April

(NB: A good Friday Service open to everyone will be held from 9.00am on Friday, 14 April)

This is an exhibition of artwork produced by respected and well-known Australian and International artists who have agreed to respond to one of the traditional Stations of the Cross. If a congregation wants to organise a group to be guided through the exhibition by Doug please contact the The Northmead Church Office on 9890 5814 or email nuchurch@bigpond.net.au

시드니 조은 교회 Sydney Jo-Eun Church

15-08

주현절 일곱 번째 주일 (7th Epiphany of Sunday) 주일 오후 1시 30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

송영 (Gloria) **새 1장** **동 1장** 만복의 근원 하나님

사도신경 신앙고백 (The Apostle's Creed)다함께

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns)

새 29장 **동 29장** 성도여 다 함께

새 251장 **동 137장** 놀랍다 주님의 큰 은혜

기도 (Prayer) 다함께

주기도문송 **새 635장** 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) **요한일서 4:7-16**

말씀 (Preaching)-전현구 담임목사 **하나님은 사랑이시다 !!**

봉헌 송 (Holy Communion & Offertory Hymn)

새 299장 **동 418장** 하나님 사랑은

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

할렐루야! 오늘 함께 예배드린 여러분에게 주님이 주시는 평안이 충만하시길 축복합니다

- 성령충만함으로 주께서 주신 사명 잘 감당하는 건강한 교회로 세워지길 기도합니다
- 한 영혼을 구원하는 전도에 자원하는 마음으로 열심히 동참합니다.
- 매일 성경으로 묵상하는 QT를 하고 적용하는 훈련을 합니다.
- 오늘은 주현절 일곱 번째 주일입니다 주님의 은혜와 사랑으로 매일 매일 살아갑시다

폐회 찬송 (Final Hymn) **새502장** **동 259장** 빛의 사자들이여 어서가서(1)

축도 (Benediction) 담임목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부
오후4:00

수요기도회 :오후 7시
요한복음13:1-11

새벽기도회 : 오전6시
요한복음12:34-13:38

Fijian Congregation



lentevent

1ST MARCH - 15TH APRIL

TOGETHER

WE CHANGE THE WORLD

Give up something from your daily life and donate what you save to life-giving projects for Lent.

www.lentevent.com



Connect, Shake & Tryabe programs have commenced. Stay connected to your leaders to know what's happening

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study for Tryabe has started. Keep a lookout for meeting times

NAI TABE E SO

- 23 ni Feperuerj—Bose ni Church Council - sureti tiko kina na veiliuliu/ gase ni Lotu (Solia na vacamu vej Chairman ke o na tiko na bose)
- 25 ni Feperuerj : Vuli Sere
- 26 ni Feperuerj—Matai ni veisau vunau ena yabaki qo kei Fiji Parish
- 1 Maji—Ash Wednesday. Lotu cokovata kei Leigh ena yakavi ni Vukelulu me tekivu kina na gauna ni lolo—Lent
- E taba tiko qo na porokoramu ka cicivaka na UnitingWorld ni vula ni Lent. Veivakaugeti me da lolovaka e dua na ka, ka solia na noda gauna se nai yau ki na so na porokaramu ka cicivaka na Lotu

DATE	VUNAU	VUNAU LESI	VUNAU VAKARAU	TU-VAKARAU VEILIUTAKI	TALI VUNAU	VEIVUKE GUNU WAINI
26-Feb	Fiji Parish	V.Kamotu	J.Foiakau	M 1	M 2	
5-Mar	Rev K Hamilton		S.Toa	M 2		S. Foiakau/ S.Qata
12-Mar	O.Foiakau/ J.Foiakau		A.Allison			

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

1 The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: 2 Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. 9 When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. 10 You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the Lord your God. 11 You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. 12 And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the Lord. 13 You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. 14 You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the Lord. 15 You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. 16 You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the Lord. 17 You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. 18 You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord. (NRSV Translation)

Matthew 5:38-48

38 Jesus said, "You heard it was said, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.' 39 But I say to you do not go against one who is evil. If anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other cheek also; 40 and if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let them take your coat as well; 41 and if someone forces you to go a mile, go also a second mile. 42 Give to whoever begs of you, and do not turn away anyone who wishes to borrow from you. 43 You heard it said, 'love your neighbour, and hate your enemy.' 44 But I tell you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; because he makes the sun rise on the evil and the good, and rain on just and unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? 47 And if you greet only your kin what more are you doing than others? Even the Gentiles do the same. 48 Be perfect, therefore, even as your heavenly Father is perfect." (Translation by Keith Hamilton)

Reflections

Pope John XXII in his papal Encyclical *Pacem Terris*:
"nothing is lost by peace; everything may be lost by war."

Excerpts from Barak Obama Cairo Speech, 4 June 2009:

So long as our relationship is defined by our differences, we will empower those who sow hatred rather than peace, those who promote conflict rather than the cooperation that can help all of our people achieve justice and prosperity. . . .

We have the power to make the world we seek, but only if we have the courage to make a new beginning, keeping in mind what has been written. The Holy Koran tells us: "O mankind! We have created you male and a female; and we have made you into nations and tribes so that you may know one another." The Talmud tells us: "The whole of the Torah is for the purpose of promoting peace." The Holy Bible tells us: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."

The people of the world can live together in peace. We know that is God's vision. Now that must be our work here on Earth.

Martin Luther King said, "We must not seek to defeat or humiliate the enemy but to win their friendship and understanding."

Excerpts from JFK American University Speech, June 10, 1963

What kind of peace do I mean? What kind of peace do we seek? Not a Pax Americana enforced on the world by American weapons of war. Not the peace of the grave or the security of the slave. I am talking about genuine peace, the kind of peace that makes life on earth worth living, the kind that enables men and women and nations to grow and to hope and to build a better life for their children--not merely peace for Americans but peace for all men and women--not merely peace in our time but peace for all time.

All this is not unrelated to world peace. "When a man's ways please the Lord," the Scriptures tell us, "He maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him." And is not peace, in the last analysis, basically a matter of human rights--the right to live out our lives without fear of devastation--the right to breathe air as nature provided it--the right of future generations to a healthy existence?

Ghandi said "An eye for an eye only makes the whole world blind."

Mother Teresa said,

"let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love."

And,

"I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love."

Blessings, Keith Hamilton



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PM week is a week away. Everyone is welcome so please extend this invitation to Friends,

Family, Neighbours - the more the merrier. Below is your schedule for the week.

Information and Launch Event Monday 27th February, 12 noon, at Parramatta Mission Coffee Shop, 119 Macquarie Street	Meet our staff and hear them speak firsthand about our work in the community with light refreshments.
Parramatta Mission's Annual Golden Pancake Race Tuesday 28th February at 11:30 am, Centenary Square, Parramatta	Run in the race, sponsor a team and provide support at this fun annual race. Who will win the beautiful Golden Pan Trophy this year? It could be you!
Volunteer Morning Tea Wednesday 1st March, 10am, Parramatta Mission Coffee Shop, 119 Macquarie Street	Come and join us at our Annual Volunteer Morning Tea. Perhaps you are a current volunteer or you are thinking of volunteering with Parramatta Mission? This is a great opportunity to meet other team members as we celebrate the achievements of 2016 and look to the future. RSVP to Rena on 02 9891 2277 or email rena.shlemun@parramattamission.org.au

We look forward to seeing you
at Parramatta Mission Week.



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Pastoral message for this week....

**God's holiness is down to earth
We are all part of it**

Foster your faith this week

Ex 24:12-18 Ps 2 or Ps 99

2 Pt 1:16-21 Mt 17:1-9

WESTMEAD CONGREGATION

Welcome to all who come and join with us as we begin the year. We extend a special welcome to anyone visiting with us for the first time. Please make yourself known to the leaders and sign the first time worshippers book in the foyer. You are most welcome to stay and join with us over a cuppa and some food following worship.

What a wonderful wedding for Alfred and his new wife. It was wonderful so many people were able to make the wedding and a special thank you to Alfred and his family. We are delighted for the newly married couple and their families. Congratulations!

The year has well and truly begun with all of our activities back this week. It is always nice to come into an air conditioned café for Time Out Café, or to come and sit with others playing games and chatting at Open Door. Bible Study is a good opportunity to meet with others, study the scriptures and think about how they speak to us in 2017. There are also many other great ideas for building connections with each other and also reaching out to the community and if you think of a good idea you might like to be involved in then please speak to Rev Christine or any of the leaders.

Please remember to pray for the guests of 175 and the Apartments as many have difficult medical situations in their families at the moment. We also pray for the staff who care for them.

Open Door will have its first Indoor bowls day on Wednesday 22nd February. Please come along and enjoy the fun. If you would like to assist Sue and Georgie then please let them know and we will arrange the appropriate Working with Children Checks when Rev Christine comes back.

DEEPENING FAITH and RELATIONSHIPS with others

Worship - Sundays 9.45am

Bible Study - Mondays 2.00 - 3.30pm

Fellowship - 1st Tuesday of the month

Leaders meeting Tuesday

13th Feb 5.00 - 8.00pm

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Time Out Café (TOC)

Tues/Thurs 11.00 - 1.30pm

Open Door - Wednesdays 1.00 - 3.30pm

Indoor Bowls 22nd Feb

Rev Christine is away for 2 weeks caring for her parents following her mum's surgery. Her mum is recovering well. Thank you everyone for your prayers and support. All activities will continue without her and the elders and Lena (student minister) will be covering the worship. Rev Christine will use this time to write an initial paper on the Ministry of Hospitality in a Hospital Precinct. Should you have an urgent pastoral need please contact the elders who will contact Rev Christine if needed.

Prayer Points

Our Congregations are committed to praying for our Congregations, Staff and the People we walk with in their journey of recovery:

We pray for:

- ♥ *PM week and all who will be involved in making it happen.*
- ♥ *UC congregations of the Cumberland Zone: Dundas/Ermington, Northmead, North Rocks, Carlingford, West Epping, Centenary – calling a new minister, Wentworthville, Holroyd, Greystanes, Grantham Heights, Parramatta Mission, Auburn.*
- ♥ *For the worship, witness and service of: Fairfield Uniting Church: Pray for Fairfield as they engage in cross-cultural ministry and mission*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Adriu Rogoimuri; Niko Balavu; Congregation seeking a ministerial placement, Fil Kamotu as he starts his new journey as a candidate at UTC*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Memorial: Col, Betty, Willamena, Nell.*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Rev Christine and her family, Rebecca and her family, Lorraine, Kevin, Robyne, Flora, May, Robyn and Greg, Rajes (Sandra), Phyllis, Billie, Vita, Satik, Nancy, Caroline and David A, Mr and Mrs B and family, Vicky, Col, Mere and her family, Al, Jan and her family, Mrs G and family, Lorraine, Jan, David and Tracey, and Judy. Shanika and family.*
- ♥ *PM UnitingHospitality; UnitingHope; UnitingRecovery; support services of Finance – IT and Payroll, People and Culture, Property, Housing and Maintenance, Fundraising and Marketing, Reception; For all who walk with people on difficult journeys of life.*
- ♥ *We join with churches around the world to pray for Portugal, Spain, Italy, Malta*

Parramatta Mission projects supported in the Uniting Church

Please pray for:

Hospital chaplaincy with patients, staff & families.

Living as a multicultural church.

Ministry with people in prison.

Ministry with hospital patients living with a mental illness.



Worship Services at Parramatta Mission

Mon to Fri 9.00am - 2.00pm	Open Church @ Leigh Memorial
Tuesday 1.10pm	Holy Communion @ Leigh
Sunday 9.30am	Leigh Memorial Congregation @ Leigh
9.45am	Westmead Congregation @ Westmead
11.15am	Leigh Fijian Congregation @ Leigh
1.30pm	Korean Faith Community @ Leigh
7.00pm	Praise, Prayer, Cake & Coffee @ Leigh

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