



Parramatta  
Mission



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Synod of NSW & ACT

*OUR NEWS for 6th August 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*

**PRAYERS FOR PEACE: HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI DAYS, 6 & 9 AUGUST** - This week, we join many others around the world in acknowledging the 72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the devastating 1945 bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan, which ultimately ended World War II in the Pacific. Let's campaign for a nuclear-free world, pray for wisdom for the world's leaders & keep doing "our own bit" for peace here in Parramatta! Below is an image of the Hiroshima Peace Park and another depicting some of the famous 1000 paper peace cranes, first initiated by Hiroshima survivor, 12 year old Sadako Sasaki. Paper cranes recently made by our Sunday School children will be on display in the church this weekend: 'Peace is the Word!'



**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION: 'ACT FOR PEACE' (National Council of Churches, Australia)** - The Congregations of Parramatta Mission have received a certificate from the NCCA for our combined contribution of nearly \$1000 to last year's Christmas Bowl appeal. Warmest thanks to all.

**CLIVE: "THANK YOU"!** - On Saturday 5 August a special event is taking place at the Centre for Ministry to acknowledge with thanksgiving the UTC career and ministry contributions of our friend **Rev. Dr. Clive Pearson**. Clive's time at UTC has included roles as Principal and as teacher/mentor to numerous theological students - some of which are ongoing. Many thanks Clive for all you do here at Leigh Memorial, and for the generosity, good humour and insight of your multiple, continuing contributions at PM and elsewhere.

**UPDATE: LEIGH MEMORIAL WORSHIP COMMITTEE - This Sunday (6 August)** following morning tea, there will be a **meeting of the Worship Committee**. Convenor is Clive, with regular + supplementary members including Manas, Mal, Robyn, Robert, Liz, Callum, Margie, Ali, Samantha, Stuart and Alan. If you are interested in being part of the committee or participating in the planning of any of our tasks/events, please see Clive or Manas. Thank you to Clive & all of our committee members, inc. those who provide music for our worship services, plus PA/ tech support etc. Every little bit helps! The worship committee reports to the Leigh Memorial Leaders' team and has oversight for the calendar of services/helpers rosters, assists the Minister in the planning of services, assists the Minister in nurturing members of the congregation to take part in worship, and provides oversight for all matters relating to the musical life of the congregation - plus more.

**SPECIAL WORSHIP/ EVENTS @ LEIGH, Sept - Nov 2017:** 'Green Sunday' Multicultural Combined Worship @ 10am; (10 September); Fathers' Day (3 September); Peace Service (21 September); Reformation Sunday (29 October); Music Team Concert (4 November).

LEIGH

**PLEASE NOTE: THE PARRAMATTA MISSION MACQUARIE STREET  
CARPARK WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

The first week of August is Homeless Persons Week. As part of this Parramatta Mission will be hosting Homeless Connect events at the Fellowship Centre on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August.

As a result the carpark will NOT BE accessible to Staff, Congregation members or Tenants on that day. Please make alternate arrangements.

To-day  
**S.P.O.W.**

Single People Of Worth

Having lunch by yourself?

Why not join us for a  
*Delicious, Nutritious Meal*  
after Church at  
Merrylands Bowling Club.



**TRIVIA NIGHT AT  
COUPLES & FRIENDS**



How is your general knowledge?  
Please join Couples & Friends for a fun Trivia & Quiz  
night on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30p.m.

All welcome – fun, food and fellowship guaranteed.

## **26<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY AND INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY**

How wonderful it was to have so many people stay behind and have lunch together! There was plenty of food and helpers and everyone enjoyed themselves and joined in together in the clean-up. It was wonderful to hear Katelyn's message and to join together in our birthday cake. Thanks to all who have helped.

Fellowship had a lovely time with guest speaker Pamela Freeman. She was most informative about the Australian Church Women and the various supports they have around the world.

**Carpet bowls** was fun at Open Door. Thanks to Ian for assisting in the bowls experience. It was lovely to welcome some new people and the two babies!

**Thanks to those who donated to Jeans for Genes day.**

## **SPOW (Single People of Worth)**

We will head to Merrylands Bowling Club for lunch, following worship today. If you would like to attend then please speak to Rev Christine.

## **LEADERS MEETING**

Our Elders and Congregational rep will meet on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for us as we make decisions and discuss the mission and ministry of Westmead Congregation.

During the week we hope the fence and soft fall for the playground will be laid. The locks on the internal doors are being changed to help us be safer for small children. The lift is in the process of being installed.

## **PRAYER**

Westmead has a Prayer Chain with people who have a commitment to pray. If you would like a prayer request then please fill the slip in and place it in the box on the foyer table or hand it to one of the elders.

## **UPDATE RE BUILDING AND ROADWORKS**

Thank you for your patience as different sections are blocked off for painting and other changes. The car parking will continue be disrupted until all of the work has been finished. The bicycle track is finished and it has been great to get to know many of the workers who have been coming to TOC. Please pray for them and for all who are involved in the works around 175.

### **DEEPENING FAITH and RELATIONSHIPS with others Worship**

**Sundays 9.45am**

Bible Study - Mondays 2.00-3.30pm

Fellowship - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September- Bus Trip

### **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Time Out Café (TOC)- Tues/Thurs 11.00-1.30pm

Open Door - Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

Tai Chi - Fridays 10.00-11.00am

WESTMEAD

# FIJIAN

- **Connect & Shake** groups meet on **Friday 11th August 7.00pm** @ The Coffee Shop. Feel free to invite your friends!
- Maca Toa, Sue Rogoimuri, Samu Sadrata and Ofa Foiakau have registered to attend the Youth Leadership program run by UME on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th August at Elenora Heights.
- **Vuli Sere** : Sota na 10.30am na mataka ni Siga Tabu ena MealsPlus
- **Masumasu kei na lolo.** Vakauqeti na masumasu kei na lolo, me vukea na tubu ni noda bula vaka yalo
- Kerei me nanumi ena masu na Lotu, Parramatta Mission kei na veiliutaki, o ira na wekada era tiko leqa, tauvimate, sotava tiko na dredre. Vakavinavinakataki na bula vinaka kei na bula ni veiwekani



*Marautaki ka vakalougatataki na yabaki 21 nei Lolohea Rogoimuri*



| DATE   | VUNAU          | VUNAU<br>LESI | VUNAU<br>VAKARAU | TU-<br>VAKARAU<br>VEILI- | TALI<br>VUNAU | COMMUNION<br>STEWARDS |
|--------|----------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 13 Aug | Viliame Kamotu |               | S.Qata           | M3                       |               |                       |
| 20 Aug | Rooty Hill     | S.Qata        | A.Voceca         | M1                       | M2            |                       |
| 27 Aug | Fiji Parish    | A.Voceca      | IFoiakau         | M2                       | M3            |                       |





# Parramatta Homeless Persons Week

## Parramatta's Homeless Persons Week 6 - 11 Aug 2017

Homeless Persons Week activities bring together a number of church, welfare, government, motorcycle and other community groups who organise activities that encourage a positive appreciation of the issues and needs of those who are homeless in the Parramatta Region.



The week launches on the first Sunday in August each year with the arrival of the Bikers Australia Blanket Run to Centenary Square for an event organised by the Parramatta Street Youth Project and the Homeless Persons Week Committee. Donated blankets are then distributed to homeless people and other services by Parramatta Mission's Outreach Team.

During the week there are events in the Mall including live music events, a morning tea and promotions by the Homeless Persons Week Committee. A highlight each year is the Memorial Service for Homeless People who have died, put on by Parramatta Mission.

The week ends with a lunch with homeless people held at Parramatta Mission Meals. Plus.



[www.hpwparramatta.com.au](http://www.hpwparramatta.com.au)



A special day where all support, advice and services are available in one safe and family-friendly place.  
If you are homeless or at-risk, you are welcome.



**Monday 7th August 2017, 10am to 2pm**  
Centenary Square, Parramatta

#### **FOOD**

FREE coffee, tea, snacks and warm meals available at Parramatta Mission.

#### **HEALTH**

FREE Health Consultation

#### **WOMEN'S HEALTH**

Women's Issues with personal care items and women's support services

#### **LIFESKILLS & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

Education & employment support

#### **YOUTH SERVICES**

Critical services and assistance for children struggling and living on the streets

#### **HOUSING**

Referrals to cash accommodation, tenancy applications and rent assistance

#### **WELLBEING**

FREE haircuts, massages and hygiene packs

#### **MENS HEALTH**

Services and personal care items for men's health and wellbeing

#### **LEGAL AND FINANCIAL**

Find out about Centrelink benefits, financial assistance, legal advice and you can apply for identification documents

#### **ABORIGINAL**

Services and assistance for our Indigenous community

#### **MORE SERVICES**

FREE Clothing, Footwear, Books, Photos, Photography, Entertainment

**FREE travel passes to and from with our Guest Travel Pass**  
available from most service providers and organisations

For more information [www.wshc.com.au](http://www.wshc.com.au) or email [wshconnect@gmail.com](mailto:wshconnect@gmail.com)

## Matthew 14:13-21

13 And when Jesus heard this (the death of John the Baptist by Herod, the ruler of the region), he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place to be alone. And when the crowds heard it, they followed him by land, from the towns. 14 And as he went ashore he saw a big crowd and he had compassion on them, and he healed their sick. 15 When evening came, his disciples came to him and said, "This place is a desert and the hour for the evening meal is already past; send the crowds away so that they may go into villages and buy food for themselves." 16 But Jesus said to them, "They need not have to go away; you give them something to eat." 17 And they said to him, "We have nothing except five loaves and two fish." 18 And he said, "Bring them here to me." 19 And he made the crowds sit down on the grass; taking the five loaves and two fish he looked up to heaven, blessed it, broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples to the crowds. 20 And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up the excess of the fragments, twelve wicker baskets full. 21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

(Translation by Keith Hamilton)

### Reflections

**The feeding of a very large crowd, more than five thousand men, plus women and children has entered our folklore. (It is remarkable for that era that the women and children were mentioned if not counted, for while today we rightly we recognise women and children as people who count, in their own right with intrinsic value, even fifty years ago this was not so.) Jesus said to the disciples, "you give them something to eat." They did, and God multiplied their humble work and all were fed enough and more. Many try to work out and explain the mechanics of how this happened; that misses the point. When we set out to be generous to others, there is always enough. The church is a living example of that. We see a need, we imagine what could be, and we act using what frugal resources we have and others have and God blesses and adds the increase.**

Around PM: In the past week I have continued to visit many of our services and meet with staff. This week included Community Living Support and other programs at West Gosford and Tuggeragh, Hope Hostel, Mental Health Respite at our Smithfield office, Wiyanga House for pregnant or young mums and their children at risk of homelessness, Kelly's Cottage for single women at risk of homelessness, and Meals Plus. I thank the staff for their hospitality, using what they have and other resources to assist people in their journey of life. This involves hospitality as an expression of our value grace, recovery, which is an expression of inclusion and dignity, and hope, which is a direct outworking of our values faith and hope.





Our staff at West Gosford and Tuggeragh.



**MAAS:** Elspeth, Fiona and I from Parramatta Mission attended the public forum on the new museum of applied arts and science announced to come to Parramatta. The NSW Government is working in collaboration with the Museum of Applied Arts and Science to build a museum in Western Sydney. Right now there is a community consultation to prepare the business case. The final business case will be presented to the State government in December. You can get involved and have your say.

Email: [MAAS.PROJECT@ARTS.NSW.GOV.AU](mailto:MAAS.PROJECT@ARTS.NSW.GOV.AU) Web: [NEW.MAAS.MUSEUM](http://NEW.MAAS.MUSEUM)

**Drug Law Reform:** Parramatta Mission is proudly hosting the upcoming “Uniting Church Forum on drug law reform” on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August, commencing at 7:00pm. With a line up including guests and speakers, Dr Marianne Jauncey, Marion McConnell, Greg Denham, our Moderator of NSW.ACT Synod Rev Myung Hwa Park and our General Secretary Rev Jane Fry. The Forum will prove to be insightful and informative. All are welcome to attend this Forum. To register your place please go to [www.nswact.uca.org.au](http://www.nswact.uca.org.au) or email [socialjustice@uniting.org](mailto:socialjustice@uniting.org)

**Gala Dinner:** Please note our Gala dinner, 8 September. Details elsewhere in this newsletter, and on the PM web site.

Blessings, Keith Hamilton



# FREE!! Courses For Carers

**PARRAMATTA  
MISSION  
TRAINING**

## Education & Training Calendar

Family & Carer Mental Health Program

**Western Sydney**

Register on 8880 8160 or [fcmhinfo@unitingrecovery.org.au](mailto:fcmhinfo@unitingrecovery.org.au)

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| Castle Hill | Values: Know What Matters   | Tuesday 8th August<br>10:30am - 12pm   |
| Seven Hills | Managing Stress and Increasing Resilience   | Thursday 17th August<br>10am - 4pm   |
| Seven Hills | 3 Part Series on <i>Emotional Intelligence</i><br>- A Journey in Self Awareness (Wk 1)<br>- A Journey in Social Awareness (Wk 2)<br>- Finding Optimism (Wk 3) | Fridays 8th, 15th, 22nd September<br>10am - 12:30pm                                  |
| Parramatta  | Supporting Recovery   | Tuesday 26th September<br>10am - 12pm  |
| Seven Hills | Mental Health First Aid   | Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th September<br>9am - 5pm                                 |
| Parramatta  | Values: Know What Matters   | Tuesday 10th October<br>10:30am - 12:00pm  |
| Castle Hill | Supporting Recovery   | Tuesday 10th October<br>10am - 12pm  |
| Seven Hills | 8 Stages of Healing   | Thursdays weekly from 12th October to 14th<br>December (10 week course)<br>10am-12pm |
| Parramatta  | Managing Stress and Increasing Resilience   | Tuesday 24th October<br>10am-4pm   |
| Seven Hills | 3 Part <i>Communication Series</i><br>-Communication for Carers (Wk 1)<br>- Communication Skills and Styles (Wk 2)<br>- Boundaries & Managing Conflict (Wk 3) | Tuesdays 14th, 21st & 28th November<br>10am-12.30pm                                  |
| Seven Hills | 3 Part Series on <i>Emotional Intelligence</i><br>- A Journey in Self Awareness (Wk 1)<br>- A Journey in Social Awareness (Wk 2)<br>- Finding Optimism (Wk 3) | Fridays 17th & 24th November & 1st December<br>10am-12.30pm                          |
| Seven Hills | Holding onto Hope   | Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th December<br>10am-4pm                                     |

All courses are subject to change. Please call to confirm details

성령강림절 제10주(Pentecost Sunday) 2017년08월 06일 오후 1시 30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

승영 (Gloria) 새 1 장 동 1 장 만복의 근원 하나님 다함께

사도신경 신앙고백 (The Apostle's Creed) ..... 다함께

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns) 다함께

새 10 장 동 34 장 전능왕 오셔서

새 380 장 동 424 장 나의 생명 되신 주

기도 (Prayer) 주기도문송 새 635장 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지 다함께

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 요한일서 4:7-16

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사  
하나님은 사랑이시다

성찬 및 봉헌 송(Holy Communion & Offertory Hymn)  
새 294 장 동 416 장 하나님은 외아들을 주시는데

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

1. 겨울철 건강과 마음의 평강을 위해 함께 기도합니다
2. 매일 성경 말씀 묵상으로 주님과 친밀한 교제의 시간을 누리며 승리하시기 바랍니다
3. 기도제목: 전도와 선교에 앞장서는 하나님의 자녀로 살아갑시다.

폐회찬송(Final Hymn) 새502장 동 259장 빛의 사자들이여 어서가서 (1)

축도 전현구 목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부  
오후4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시  
민수기 28:1-15

새벽기도회 : 오전 5시  
민수기27:1-29:40

## ***Pastoral message for this week....***

**Savour what you can, be generous with what you have  
True satisfaction comes from compassion and generosity.**

## ***Foster your faith this week***

***Gn 37:1-4,12-28 Ps 105:1-6,16-22, 45b***

***Rom 10:5-15 Mt 14:22-33***

## ***PARRAMATTA MISSION STRESS LESS DAY IN SUPPORT OF LIFELINE***



# Wesley Castle Hill Uniting Church

Proudly Presents

## STRINGS AND KEYS



A Relaxing Sunday afternoon of  
music for violin and piano

Featuring Benjamin Adler (violin) and  
Stephen Whale (piano)

*A program including something for everyone with music by  
Bach, Brahms, Franck, Salerni and others.*

**Sunday 20 August 2017**

At 2:00pm

Wesley Castle Hill Uniting Church  
32 Showground Road  
*(Parking via Kentwell and Worthing Aves)*

*Afternoon Tea provided*

Retiring Offering in support of Wesley's Partner Church  
**Paama Seaside Presbyterian | Port Vila | Vanuatu**



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# RAISING HOPE

investing in the social heart  
of Greater Western Sydney

## Parramatta Mission invites you to invest in the social heart of Greater Western Sydney at the 2017 Raising Hope Gala

Date: Friday 8th September  
Time: 7:00 pm till midnight  
Venue: Parkroyal Parramatta  
30 Phillip Street Parramatta  
Dress: Black Tie

Tickets: \$200 via the below link  
[www.humanitix.com/event/raising-hope](http://www.humanitix.com/event/raising-hope)

## Our hosts for the 2017 Raising Hope Gala

**About Laura Bennett:** After winning a Hope 103.2 competition to become our Breakfast Team's Apprentice, Laura interned with Hope 103.2 while finishing her media degree. Soon after graduation, Laura stepped into the role as Nights host, bringing her energetic enthusiasm and positivity to your weekday evenings. Now with her Journalism Master's, and the full time gig as Breakfast host, Laura's passion for media spills over into regular film reviews, writing for The Connect Press, and self-publishing with her first book 'Live Your Dream' reaching #1.

**About Duncan Robinson:** Duncan has spent the last 15 years planting churches both locally and overseas and is husband to Carly, and Dad to young Ruby and Max. He has presented a devotional TV series on US TV and authored two books (*Unlikely Hero* and *Vanguard*), likes updating his blog while brewing Kombucha, and seamlessly integrates his Masters in Divinity with his Purple Belt in Jiu Jitsu. He brings this fun, passion and enthusiasm to his role as Breakfast host at Hope 103.2



Join us for an evening of entertainment, prizes and fun, all to help raise the funds needed to invest into the areas of homelessness, domestic violence, crisis support and accommodation services.

# Prayer Points

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

*We pray for:*

- ♥ *For the inSpiring the Common Good redevelopment on Macquarie St Parramatta.*
- ♥ *Prayers for resilience and strength for staff working with clients with complex issues.*
- ♥ *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 Penieli Uniting Church – We give thanks for the ministry of Rev Solo Tafokitau.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Toa and Lee family, Seru family, Vosalotaki family, Adriu Rogoimuri, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani, Fil Kamotu as he starts field placement; Congregation seeking ministerial placement.*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Jean, Michels, Paula and Geoffrey, Garry, Chris and family, Rob, Jodie and Family, Rev Veitinia and family, Flora, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Billie, Vita, Satik, Nancy, Caroline and David A, Mr and Mrs B and family, Col, Al, Jan and her family, Mrs G and family, Judy, Shanika and family, Lee and her family, Ashima and Anusha Saxena, Mr and Mrs T, Lyn and Beth, Lena, Sheila W, Ruth and Lela.*
- ♥ *PM Uniting Hospitality; Uniting Hope; Uniting Recovery; Uniting Housing; 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. For new members of our congregations, staff, volunteers, new clients and consumers, residents and guests. For staff with family members in hospital.*
- ♥ *We join with churches around the world to pray for Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia*

# Worship Services at Parramatta Mission

**Mon to Fri 9.00am - 2.00pm**

**Tuesday 1.10pm**

**Sunday 9.30am**



**9.45am**

**11.15am**

**1.30pm**

**7.00pm**

**Open Church @ Leigh Memorial**

**Holy Communion @ Leigh**

**Leigh Memorial Congregation @ Leigh**

**Westmead Congregation @ Westmead**

**Leigh Fijian Congregation @ Leigh**

**Korean Faith Community @ Leigh**

**Praise, Prayer, Cake & Coffee @ Leigh**

## Contacts

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**Leigh Fijian Congregation:** 9891 2277

**Leigh Korean Faith Community Minister:** Rev Hyun Goo Jun 0433 320 588

**Leigh Memorial Church,** 119 Macquarie St, Parramatta

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**Westmead Church:** 175 Hawkesbury Road Westmead: 9891 9354

**Senior Minister/Group CEO:** Rev Keith Hamilton 0417 487 446

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