



Parramatta
Mission



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Synod of NSW & ACT

OUR NEWS for 30th July 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*

'GOD'S CREATION' DISPLAY - the Sunday's School's latest display in the church vestibule reflects our current theme of 'Caring for God's Creation', including appreciating the beauty of nature and remembering to care for it by "recycling, re-using and reducing". It also reflects last week's lesson, taken from Mathew 13: 1 - 23 - the parable of the sower. Please read the display's insightful 'flower' messages the next time that you're in the church - all written by our children and youth aged 8 - 17 years. Soon, the children will be planting some seeds to take home and watch them grow - just as they continue to grow as followers of Jesus.



CALENDAR PREVIEW: August 1 - 13 @ Leigh Memorial

- 1 August Community Visitors (Bruce S.)
- 2 August LEAP prayer group (Coffee Shop) (Manas)
- 5 August Youth Group (Choir Vestry) (Samantha/ Nadine)
- 6 August * Worship Committee Meeting, (Coffee Shop) (Clive)
* SPOW Lunch (Merrylands Bowling Club) (Beverly)
- 7 August Couples & Friends (Coffee Shop) (Marcel & Brian)
- 12 August Lecture: 'Believing in the UCA' 3 - (Clive) TBC
- 13 August Leaders' meeting (Coffee Shop) (Manas/Bruce)

LEIGH



TERRY: OUR STUDENT ORGANIST - Terry and his Mum and Dad came to Australia from the Solomon Islands seven years ago and now live in Parramatta. Terry is 17 years old and a Year 11 high school student, who is also studying organ-playing via a scholarship from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. Terry practices on the Leigh Memorial organ once or twice per week, so if you see him around, please say "hi". Thank you Terry for your special musical ability and for your enthusiasm & commitment.

FIJIAN

- **Connect & Shake** groups meet on **Friday 3rd August 7.00pm** @ The Coffee Shop. Feel free to invite your friends!
- *Sunday School has commenced*
- **There is a change for the coming month!! Youth are leading worship on Vulavou 6th of August**
- 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



Fiji National Conference 2018



DATE AND TIME

Thu., 25/01/2018, 11:00 am –
Sun., 28/01/2018, 1:00 pm
AEDT
[Add to Calendar](#)

LOCATION

The Salvation Army Collaroy
Centre
Homestead Ave
Collaroy, NSW 2097
[View Map](#)

Vei keda na lako ki na Koniferedi, sa kerei tiko me soli mai na yaca.
Na fundraising tarava

- na tatavu vei Bunnings na 30/9
- Island Night 10/11. Ena dua tale tiko ga na Movie Night

DATE	VUNAU	VUNAU LESI	VUNAU VAKARAU	TU- VAKARAU VEILI- UTAKI	TALI VUNAU	COMMUNION STEWARDS
30 Jul	Fiji Parish	Sosi Toa	A.Vocea	M2	M2	
6 Aug	Rev Keith Hamilton		S.Toa	Youth		Inise Foiakau
13 Aug	Viliame Kamotu			M3		

26th BIRTHDAY AND INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY

Today we celebrate our 26th Anniversary at this site in Westmead and it is our International Sunday where we are wearing something from our own culture, or borrowing something from another's culture. Following the service we will join together for lunch. If you are unable to bring food for the meal you are still welcome to attend as we always have enough.

SPECIAL WELCOME AND THANKYOU TO KATELYN STEVENSON

A very special welcome to Katelyn. We thank you for your message and it is lovely to have you back at Westmead. We really appreciate your coming to help us celebrate.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MINI

Mini has been doing a course which will enable her to become a Registered Nurse in Australia. (She is already registered in India and America). She has finished and we congratulate her as she now waits for the registration to come through.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- Fellowship is on Tuesday 1st August and guest speaker will be Pamela Freeman. You are most welcome to attend.
- **Carpet bowls** is Wednesday 2nd August during Open Door time. All are welcome
- On Friday 4th August between 10.30 and 11.30 there is a small morning tea raising money for Jeans for Genes day. If you would like to attend please take a brochure from the foyer and contact Belinda asap for catering purposes.

During the week 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. We pray for Lyn who has lost an Aunt last week. We also pray for Lorna and Roy who are heading overseas.

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 1st August 2.00 – speaker Pamela Freeman, Australian Church Women

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



A Service of Thanksgiving

**For the Ministry of Rev. Dr. Clive
Pearson (Associate Professor),
Member of Faculty and former
Principal of United Theological College**

Please join the Moderator and
members of Synod as they celebrate
the ministry of Rev. Dr. Clive Pearson
(Associate Professor) at a special
service of thanksgiving.

Date and Time:

Saturday 5 August 2017 at 1pm

Venue:

St Andrew's Chapel, Centre for Ministry
16 Masons Drive, North Parramatta

RSVP:

suew@nswact.uca.org.au or 8267 4382

Light refreshments will be served following the service.



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



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 or email wshconnect@gmail.com

Romans 8:26-39

26 Likewise also the Spirit comes and helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit intercedes on our behalf with unutterable groans; 27 and the One who searches the hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes on behalf of the saints according to the will of God. 28 And we know that everything works together for good for those who love God, who are called into being according to his purpose. 29 For those whom he knew beforehand, he also set apart from the beginning to conform to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first born among many sisters and brothers. 30 And those whom he set apart from the beginning he also called, and those whom he called, he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. 31 What then shall we say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? Indeed God did not spare his own Son 32 but delivered him on behalf of us all, will he not also give us all things with him? 33 Who shall bring a charge against God's chosen? It is God who justifies; 34 who is the one who condemns? Is it Christ Jesus, the one who has died, but rather having been raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes on our behalf? 35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Shall affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? 36 As it has been written, "For your sake we are put to death all day, we were considered as sheep for the slaughter". 37 But in all these things we have been more than conquerors through the one who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels nor rulers nor things present nor things to come nor powers 39 nor height nor depth nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Translation by Keith Hamilton)

Reflections

Karl Barth, in writing about predestination said that God predestined to grace creation with God's revelation or presence. God is for the whole of creation, and the sign of this the incarnation, death and resurrection of Jesus for the whole of creation. Nothing separates us from God.



Parramatta Mission site/staff visits

Kathi Boorman (Head of Client Service Operations – Parramatta Mission) and I have had the privilege of visiting many of our staff and services this past week. We thank the staff for your warm hospitality and we look forward to visiting more of our staff and sites over the coming weeks. This week we visited staff at HASI Western Sydney, PIR Western Sydney, PHaMs Employment, PHaMs WS, AWCE – which includes Clinical advisors, Grace Cottage, Hasi Plus, Northern Beaches services, HASI and FCMH Central Coast, and WSLARS.





Arthur Phillip – Multicultural Day: Manas, Fil and I had the honour of being included in a wonderful Multicultural Event at Arthur Phillip High School last Thursday the 27th July. The Event was a colourful display of inclusion, acceptance and diversity. The Event included performances by students celebrating their culture and showing us how beautiful their culture is and how important it is to them. We thank Arthur Phillip for the kind invitation and continued partnership with Parramatta Mission.



WLSARS' 25th Anniversary

What a delight it was to be a part of the WLSARS' 25th anniversary on Friday 21st July. The staff made a huge effort with food, decorations, entertainment, a celebratory balloon release and take-away gift bags. It was great to see members long standing and new comers. Some members were there on

day one, all those years ago and reminisced on the tales of years gone by. It was lovely to see the original program leader, Jenny Field, who took such joy in seeing how far WLSARS had come over the years and the fact that it was still running. To the staff of WLSARS, thank you for your ongoing commitment and enthusiasm that you exude each day as you provide support to the members of WLSARS.



Reception/Administration Support **Coral's role as Congregational Support**

The Administration/Reception Team provide event, function and general clerical/administrative support for the congregations of Parramatta Mission (among many other things).

To assist in the communicating of needs we encourage everyone to use the following processes:

Relating to coffee shop, kitchen, fellowship hall, lifeline training room, boardroom:

Room bookings

Room set up for events/functions

Promotion/notifying internal of up and coming events

Please direct enquiries to Coral via the reception email (reception@parramattamission.org.au)

Coral will in turn forward the request to the appropriate department.

Coral will also use her discretion to ask further questions to obtain the exact requirements and expectations for complete support and set up.

Response time to email enquiries will be 48 hours. If you have not received a response, please follow up to ensure your enquiry has been received by phoning 9891 2277.

At times when Coral is on leave, Donna and/or Tracey will be able to support and assist as part of the Administration Team.

In relation to Property concerns/matters, please direct enquiry to your Congregation Leaders. As appropriate matters will be escalated.

Blessings, Keith Hamilton

Foster your faith this week

Gn 32:22-31

Ps 17:1-7,15

Rom 9:1-5

Mt 14:13-21

Pastoral message for this week....

Sow a small seed of love in this wounded world.



Save up to 70% of the retail price
off a huge range of pantry staples



The \$20 Staples Bag includes fresh bread, milk, cereal, free range eggs, seasonal fresh fruit & vegetables, meat, seafood and a wide range of pantry & household items.

Individual items are also for sale

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**Next date for Staples
is 3rd August 2017.**

**Staples can be
accessed in the
Fellowship Hall from
11.30am till 1.00pm
fortnightly.**

**For more information
please ring
Rena
(Volunteer
Coordinator
Parramatta Mission)
on 9891 2277**

성령강림절 제9주(Pentecost Sunday) 2017년07월 30일 오후 1시 30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

송영 (Gloria) 새 1 장 통 1 장 만복의 근원 하나님 다함께

사도신경 신앙고백 (The Apostle's Creed) 다함께

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns) 다함께

새 44 장 통 56 장 지난 이레 동안에

새 380 장 통 424 장 나의 생명 되신 주

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

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 로마서 7:14-25

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 타올과 자율

봉헌 송(Holy Communion & Offertory Hymn)
새 435 장 통 493 장 나 이제 주님의 새 생명얻은 몸

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 통 259장 빛의 사자들이여 어서가서 (1)

축도 전현구 목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부
오후4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시
민수기 23:27-24:9

새벽기도회 : 오전 5시
민수기22:36-26:51



FREE!! Courses For Carers

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Education & Training Calendar

Family & Carer Mental Health Program

Western Sydney

Register on 8880 8160 or fcmhinfo@unitingrecovery.org.au

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

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

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 Parramatta Centenary Uniting Church. Our playgroups and English Conversation classes and the work of our Community Workers and volunteers*
 - *the North Parramatta OOSH including staff and the families using the service*
 - *the gift of diversity that is our church community*
 - *our new singing group that will start in August all those who are part of our worshipping community, however particularly those who are young and our more senior people.*

- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Toa and Lee family, Adriu Rogoimuri, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani, students back to school this week; Congregation seeking ministerial placement. PM Leigh Memorial: Col, Betty, Willamena, Nell.*
- ♥ *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 Canada, USA*

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

Leigh Memorial Congregation: Rev Dr Manas Ghosh 0429 892 548

Leigh Fijian Congregation: 9891 2277

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

Leigh Memorial Church, 119 Macquarie St, Parramatta

Westmead Congregation: Rev Christine Bayliss Kelly 0409 925 607

Westmead Church: 175 Hawkesbury Road Westmead: 9891 9354

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

Church Office: 9891 2277 **Email :** wecare@parramattamission.org.au



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