

OUR NEWS  
3rd February 2019



Parramatta  
Mission



uniting  
church  
in Australia,  
Synod of NSW & ACT

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



Congregational life @ Westmead & Parramatta,  
Hospitality, Community and Mental Health  
Services across Greater Sydney, Central Coast,  
Hunter and Mid-North Coast

Parramatta Mission acknowledges that all of our work and our 36 sites are on the land of traditional owners. We pay respect to the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, and acknowledge Elders past and present, and emerging leaders.

# Leigh Congregation

## **WELCOME BACK!**

A warm welcome back to Rev. Manas & Nita, members returning from holidays, and to our Sunday School children and families. Sunday School classes at Leigh Memorial will re-commence this Sunday, 3 February, plus the children will be providing ice-creams and ice-blocks for the congregation at morning tea time. Prayers for all children and youth returning to school in this busy period, or about to commence their post-school studies or work. Blessings for Neo Cortez, Abigail and Jayson's eldest son, on entering Year 3 and receiving his special bible from the Couples and Friends. Many thanks to Ruth and all the membership of the C & F for their kind and continuous support of this encouraging ministry. Sunday School enquiries: Liz/Samantha.

## **THANK YOU - SUMMER PROGRAM**

Many thanks to Clive & Amelia for their leadership of our summer worship program with a difference: 'Living Advent (urously) beyond Christmas.' Thanks also to all leaders and members who enthusiastically supported and assisted in facilitating the Church-Coffee Lounge venture. Please pass on any helpful feedback/suggestions to Bruce/the Leaders' team for use in future planning.

## **CANDIDATES FORUM – WHAT MAKES FOR A GOOD CITY?**

All are invited to attend on Friday 8 February at Leigh Memorial - 7.30 – 9.00pm – and hear from our State election candidates from the Coalition, Labor and Greens parties regarding their vision for our city and our community. This event is being organized by the Centre for Faith & Public Issues and Parramatta Mission. Forum moderator is Rev. Niall Reid. Enquiries: Clive.

## **DESIGN BRIEF**

A big thank you to those members who gathered after morning tea last week to discuss our latest efforts including a new design brief, for the re-development of our Macquarie Street site. Many hours are being put in behind the scenes and have been for some time. Special thanks to Ian, and prayers for all involved - plus the project itself – which is key to our future and the spiritual & practical uplift and development of our community.

## **FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

The first Future Directions meeting of 2019 will be held at the  
Alan Walker College,  
7.30pm – 9.00pm  
on  
Thursday 21 February.  
RSVPs/enquiries: Clive.

## **FEBRUARY @ LEIGH**

3 February - Regular services resume (Manas)/ Presbytery Report (Vitality of Call)

3 February - Sunday School resumes/ SPOW (Beverly)

4 February - Couples & Friends (Ruth)

6 February - LEAP (Manas)

8 February - Public Forum, 7.30pm: State election candidates @ Leigh

10 February - Congregation vote (Vitality of Call) (Ian/David)

17 February - Music Team service (Manas/Mal)

21 February - Future Directions meeting (Clive)

### **COUPLES & FRIENDS FEBRUARY '19 MEETING**



On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February Couples & Friends will be holding their first meeting of the year. As well as being our Annual Election of Officers a night of fun and fellowship is promised. As usual we will be commencing the year with a meal so please bring a plate of food to share for the main course or for sweets and a bottle of drink.

All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Centre at 6.30 for 7.00p.m.

### **SPOW**

Single People Of Worth  
Lunch after Church  
Merrylands Bowling Club  
All Welcome



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

***Is 6:1-8 (9-13) Ps 138***

***1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11***

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

There are many different voices around us  
“Speak even if your voice shakes”  
The truth is within all of us

**Veisiko:** Kerei me tomani tiko na veisiko vaka matamasumasu se yadudua e na veiyasa ni koro duidui eda tiko kina. Lewe levu na noda mai Viti e ra tu qo vakagade se vaka cakacaka ka ra sega tu ni lotu, so era sega ni kila na vanua se gauna dau caka kina na lotu. Sa nuitaki nida na vei vuke taka na kena tukuni ka vakatetei yani na gauna ni lotu e Parramatta. Ke dua e gadreva na veivuke tukutuku mai vei Vakatawa se Chairman.

**Masumasu:** Sa totolo sara na toso ni gauna, eda sa kalawaca yani qo nai ka rua ni vula (Feperueri) ni yabaki 2019 ka nuitaki nida na maqusa vakakina na kena tomani na sota vaka matamasumasu ena vei yasa ni koro eda tiko kina; ke se bera kerei me tomani tikoga na masumasu vakavuvale. Ke gadrevi na veisiko VakaiTalatala ki na vuvale yadua se matamasumasu, tukutuku mai vei Vakatawa se Chairman.

**Mata ki na Church Council:** Gadrevi me dua ma mata vou ki na Church Council, tukutuku mai vei Chairman ke dua e bole me qarava na i tavi bibi qo. (mata ena gauna qo – Emosi Rogoimuri, mata tu vakarau – alternate member – Sosi Toa)

**JNC:** Nodratou bose tarava ena ka 9 Feperueri 2019, sa na tekivu kina na veivosaki/veitalanoa (conversation) kei ira era gadreva mera vei qaravi VakaTalatala ena Vavakoso VakaViti e Parramatta. Kerei meda masulaka nodratou cakacaka me yaco ga nona veidigitaki na Kalou.

**Dikevi na Veiqaravi (VOC) nei Talatala Keith:** Kerei meda tiko mai ni suka na lotu ni kua me rogoci nodratou ripote na mata timi mai na Presbytery baleta na toso ni veiqaravi nei Talatala Keith. Eda na qai digidigi (secret ballot) ena macawa mai qo (10 Feb.) ni suka na lotu.

**Sunday School:** Me vaka na kena vakarau ena vei gauna sa oti yani dau tekivu talega na Wili Vola Siga Tabu ena gauna sa tekivu kina na vuli. Nuitaki ni dou sa na raica na tabana qori na Qase ni Vuli ni Wili Vola Siga tabu. Vakananumi tiko na keba – Kids Camp Out dau vakayacori mai Wenderburn ena caka ena 2- 3 March 2019.(Qai vakadeitaki malua yani kena tukutuku matai lalai e so.)

**Youth:** Nuitaki ni sa na tekivu talega nomuni sota na Taba Gone ena Siga Vakaraubuka qo.

**National Young Adult Leaders Conference (NYALC):** Vinaka (Samu, Ofa, Vuki, Tupou) na veiwasei ena veika eso dou vulica rawa mai na bose ni Taba Gone mai Adelaide.

**Australia Day:** Vinaka vakalevu vei kemudou na Volunteer ena vodo baluni ena Australia Day e Parramatta Park. Vakavinavinaka taka o Talatala Qase Keith nomuni vakaitavi ena vuku ni Parramatta Mission.

## FIJIAN Congregation



Date	Vunau	Vunau	Vunau	Tuvakarau	Tali	Comm
		Lesi	Vakarau	Veiliutaki	Vunau	Stewards
10-Feb	Rev A.Koh-Butler Multicul.Worship			Youth		
17-Feb	Rooty Hill	J.Foiakau	I.Foiakau	M2	M1	
24-Feb	Fiji Parish	S.Tuiloma	S.Toa	M3	M2	

Public Forum:

*Is 'great' good enough? What makes for a good city?*



The Centre for Faith and Public Issues/Parramatta Mission  
is hosting a meeting of the  
State election candidates on  
**Friday 8 February,**  
7:30-9:00 pm.

The venue is **Leigh Memorial Church**

119 Macquarie Street, Parramatta.

All are welcome.

Listen to Liberal, Labor and Greens candidates and their  
visions for our city. Ask your questions.

Facilitator will be Revd. Niall Reid,  
former Moderator of the

Uniting Church in Australia Synod, NSW/ACT.

The candidates are: Dr. Geoff Lee (Liberal),

Ms. Liz Scully (Labor)

& Cr. Phil Bradley (Greens).

This forum seeks to express Principle 3 of  
Parramatta Mission's *inspire the Common Good* project:  
*To be a place to pursue the common good where matters  
that enable the flourishing of all are explored.*



# 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

1 If I speak with the tongues of humans and of angels, but have no love, I have become a noisy gong or a wailing cymbal. 2 And if I have prophecy and know all the mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 And if I give away all my goods, and if I deliver my body in order to be burnt, but have not love, I profit nothing. 4 Love suffers long; love is kind; love is not jealous, love is not conceited, nor is it inflated with pride, 5 nor does it behave disgracefully, nor does it seek things for itself, nor is it hot-tempered, nor does it connive evil, 6 it does not rejoice over unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; 7 it endures all things, hopes all things, is patient in all things. 8 Love never falls; but as for prophecies, they will be brought to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will be brought to an end. 9 For we know in part and we prophecy in part; 10 but, when the perfect comes then the partial will be brought to an end. 11 When I was an infant, I spoke as an infant, I reasoned as an infant; when I became an adult I brought to an end the things of an infant. 12 For now we see an indistinct image as in a mirror, but then we shall see face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall fully know, even as I have been fully known. 13 But as it is these three: faith, hope and love remain; and the greatest of these is love.

(Translation by Keith Hamilton)

## Reflections

As part of the work on preparing for the redevelopment in paramatta, the congregations developed inSpire Parramatta. This is five statements that set out what we endeavour to achieve. These statements have wider application than the place in Parramatta, and have now been incorporated in the Strategic Directions of PM. Two below speak to this week's Bible reading.

A place to pursue the common good where matters that enable the flourishing of all are explored;

A nurturing place of forgiveness, the healing of life's wounds, mercy, compassion, reconciliation, love, friendship and grace.

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Julie and I were privileged to attend the Premiers Australia Day function. The Australians of the Year were present and were interviewed. Kate and Tick Everett were voted the 2019 Local Heroes. Their daughter, Dolly, who as a child had been the face of the Akubra ad, died at age 14 after taking her life following cyber bullying. Kate and Tick launched a campaign to raise awareness of the seriousness of bullying, which is not restricted to children, and happens in every community. "Dolly's law" has been passed in NSW that strengthens the penalties for anyone found guilty of online abuse or cyber bullying, with a new maximum imprisonment of five years in NSW. When interviewed, Tick said, "speak up even if your voice shakes."

It is not easy to love the other by speaking up on issues that affect us all.

This theme of love is taken up by the Apostle Paul who wrote 1 Corinthians. He speaks of a practical love that works for the best for all people. It is not that some can have this love and others not. All are able to have this love for others. It connects with the commandment of Jesus to love God with our heart, soul, mind and strength, and love our neighbour as ourselves. It is an intent of the will that leads to action.

Bono put it well in the U2 song, Ordinary love. It is ordinary because anyone and everyone can have it. And it is abnormal not to have this love. The song has the lines:

We can't fall any further  
If we can't feel ordinary love  
And we cannot reach any higher,  
If we can't deal with ordinary love

Bono asks: "Are we tough enough for ordinary love?"

Pray that we can live ordinary love.



Jo Armstrong and I were privileged to represent PM on a visit to HMAS Parramatta last week. This was part of the ongoing relationship that the ship has with the City of Parramatta Council and Parramatta Mission. The ship puts to sea on Monday for most of this year.





The ships canteen will raise funds for PM while at sea. The captain, Troy Van Tienhoven hopes the ships company will fill the PM money box over the coming months.

It has become apparent, in the negotiations with the City of Parramatta Council, in the preparation of the design brief for the design excellence competition for our redevelopment in Macquarie St Parramatta, that we need to change the name of the Fellowship Centre. It is a place of meeting, gathering, encouragement, decision-making, public forums, interfaith activities, Christian activities, band practices, support groups, meals, referrals, mission offices, and so much more. We need at least a working name for our brief that we need to submit to council in coming weeks. We could change the name to a permanent name when the building opens, but we need a new name for now. Can you think of a possible name? Let me know. Send me your ideas to my email: [keith.hamiton@parramattamission.org.au](mailto:keith.hamiton@parramattamission.org.au), and I will pass them on to the planning group.

We are also considering changing the name of Epworth House to The Epworth.

Don't forget the meet the candidates' forum in Parramatta this coming Friday night.

I am pleased to announce that Amelia Pereira commenced this week as my new EA. Amelia can be contacted on 98912277, [amelia.pereira@parramattamission.org.au](mailto:amelia.pereira@parramattamission.org.au). Please welcome Amelia to Parramatta Mission.



오 번째 주현절 (5th Epiphany of Sunday) 2018년 02월 03일 오후 1시30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

송영 (Gloria) 새 5 장 통 3 장 이 천지간 만물들아 다함께

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

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns) 다함께

새 15 장 통 15 장 하나님의 크신 사랑

새 439 장 통 496 장 십자가로 가까이

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

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 요한복음 1:43-46

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 와서 보라!

성찬 및 봉헌 송(Holy Communion & Offertory Hymn)

새 96 장 통94장 예수님은 누구신가

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

1. 새해 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 담임목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부  
오후4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시  
마태복음 10:24-33

새벽기도회 : 오전 6시  
마태복음 10:1-11:19

# WESTMEAD Congregation

## **THANKYOU**

Thank you for all of the love, prayers and support for Rev Christine and Scott during his recent hospitalisation. He is doing well and will return to work in a couple of weeks. Thanks to those who covered activities in Rev Christine's absence.

## **WELCOME**

Welcome to John Cutts, the Parramatta Nepean Presbytery Executive Officer, who comes today to share with us the report concerning extension of Rev Keith Hamilton as Senior Minister/CEO of Parramatta Mission. As John needs to speak with all three congregations please be ready with any questions. We will remain in the worship space following worship for a short time prior to morning tea.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

We need to update our Membership roll. There are sheets in the foyer which we ask everyone to fill out asap. We need to confirm our membership roll by Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. If you are unsure or have any questions then please see Rev Christine.

## **SPECIAL SERVICES IN FEBRUARY**

-3<sup>rd</sup> Feb- Commissioning of Elders, presentation of Ministry Extension Report for Rev Keith + Rev Keith preaching.

-10<sup>th</sup> Feb- HC and Congregational meeting for voting for extension for Rev Keith + Sam Sadrata (from Leigh Fijian) preaching.

## **OPEN DOOR**

The first Carpet bowls for the year is on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. All are welcome to come and enjoy some laughs and a nice afternoon tea.

## **CONDOLENCES**

We also express our condolences for Gary Wilson on the death of his wife Rose who passed away last Saturday evening. Gary and Rose were TOC regulars.

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

### **Sundays 9.45am**

Bible Study- Mondays 2.00-3.30pm

Fellowship- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019

## **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

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

Play Group – Mondays and Wednesdays 9.15-10.45am

Open Door -Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am

# Prayer Points

***The people of Parramatta Mission invite you to pray for:***

***The people of Parramatta Mission invite you to pray for:***

- ♥ *PM congregations at Parramatta and Westmead, and the PM staff in hospitality, community and clinical/mental health services that extend across Greater Sydney, Blue Mountains, Northern Beaches, Central Coast and Hunter Valley and Mid-North Coast.*
- ♥ *We pray for all the people we contact every day, that we might exhibit the values of grace, inclusion, dignity, faith and hope.*
- ♥ *Scott Kelly and Christine Bayliss Kelly and family.*
- ♥ *For the congregations in the discernment process for the 2 year extension of the placement of Keith Hamilton.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Memorial: The Ghosh, Briggs and Goodin families, Ali & family, Shane and his friend, Elizabeth & family, Wilhemina, Gloria H, Ian & family, Brian & Marcel, Joan, Hazel, Betty E, Col, Betty B, Victoria & family, Darlene & Neil, Jolame & the Open Church team, Sunday School & Youth.  
\*\* Please inform the Leaders if you would like a name added to this list.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Adriu Rogoimuri, Senitiki Qata and family, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani, Terry Koh-Butler, Young Adult and their Families. Those families (Foiakau, Vosalotaki, Dovibua) going away to Fiji and those going elsewhere during the Christmas Break.*
- ♥ *The work of the JNC in looking for a new Minister of the word.*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Gary and Rose's family, Scott, Sushila and her family, Reg and Heather, Robyne and Phil. All farmers and their communities, Sharon, Keith and Noeleen, Debbie and Michael, Kevin, Jean, Caroline and David A, Josh and his family (Kerryn, Peter and Ben), Mrs E and family, Mary and Aloy and the boys, Silvano, Jinky, Isabella and Gerard, Mary, Justice and family, Aravind and family, Tanzida, Nancy, Paula and Geoffrey, Garry, Chris and family, Rob, Jodie and Family, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Vita, Col, Al, Mrs G and family, Judy, Shanika and family, Ashima and Anusha Saxena, Lyn, Sheila W, Ruth and Lela, Mr and Mrs S, Carmen and Rob, David and Christopher.*
- ♥ *UC congregations of the Cumberland Zone: Dundas/Ermington, Northmead, North Rocks, Carlingford, West Epping, Centenary, Wentworthville, Holroyd, Greystanes, Grantham Heights, Parramatta Mission, Auburn.*
- ♥ *We prayer for Bidwill Mount Druitt Community Ministry Congregation*
- ♥ *We join the World Council of Churches in prayer for Ireland and the United Kingdom*

# 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**

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