

OUR NEWS for 22nd January 2017

"NO MATTER WHAT
HAPPENS IN LIFE, BE
GOOD TO PEOPLE. BEING
GOOD TO PEOPLE IS A
WONDERFUL LEGACY TO
LEAVE BEHIND."

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

REMINDER: JANUARY ARRANGEMENTS

While our 9.30am services are continuing as normal, many of our leaders, groups and committees are still taking a break to rest and revive in preparation for another busy year ahead. Rev. Manas is also still on leave. If anyone has pastoral support needs during January, please contact our Supply Minister, Rev. Veitinia.

THIS WEEK: BALLOONS ON AUSTRALIA DAY!

Parramatta Mission will again be involved in operating fundraising tethered balloon flights at Parramatta Park early this Australia Day - so volunteers are needed. If anyone from Leigh Memorial would like to help again this year, please contact Donna Kelly at the office, 98912277 or email donna.kelly@parramattamission.org.au.





AUSTRALIA DAY: ACKNOWLEDGING INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIA

26 January acknowledges and celebrates many aspects of our 'Australianness' - from our collective aspirations to our deepest values. Whether we are indigenous Australians or of alternate national descent, family background or means of arrival here, our stories combine to create a very special, mutual heritage. Within such celebrations this Australia Day however, let's especially acknowledge Australia's first peoples: the Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander nations and join with many others in the UCA and the broader community in using 26 January, 2017 as an opportunity to listen, reflect, discuss and pray together on matters of identity, equity, reconciliation, peace, support and mutuality of purpose. The Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress' contact email is: https://uaicc.org.au/

PROPERTY MESSAGE: CHURCH FANS

Please be assured that issues with the ceiling fans in the church are currently being addressed. Very soon we'll all feel a lot cooler! Thank you for everyone's patience with this process - the Congregation Property Committee.

FIJIAN CONGREGATION

'Come,...See....Go...Tell'. Youth led worship after Yurora, with an uplifting introit 'Alleluia'. Era matanataka na taba gone ena nodra veiliutaki ena Siga Tabu sa oti, na ulutaga ni vunau.

Na vakavinakavinaka levu ena kena soli na sau ni keba, na vakarautaki ni vaqa, na nodra vakaleleci. Sa sala ni nodra veikilai voleka vua na Noda Turaga, kai tekitekivu ni nodra vakateteya nai tukutuku vinaka.



NAI TABE E SO

- Na *Australia Day na siga Lotulevu qo*. (26/1). E cicivaka na Parramatta Mission ena matakacaca na baluni katakata, ka cicivaka na council na porokaramu tale eso.
- Vuli sere ena Vakarauwai 28 ni Janueri
- Tekivu na vuli ena 30 ni Janueri. Kerei me ra masulaki na noda gone ni sa mai tekivu tale e dua na yabaki vou ni vuli
- Me na tekivu ena matai ni macawa ni Feperueri na Matamasumasu, Sunday School kei na Youth.

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WESTMEAD CONGREGATION

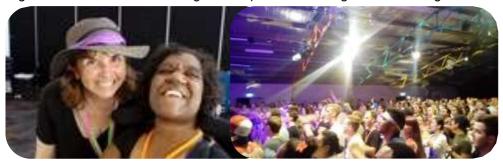
News for Westmead Congregation 22nd January 2017

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.

Please note there is still opportunity for volunteers to assist with the Australia Day activities in Parramatta Park. Please contact Donna Kelly on donnakelly@parramattamission.org.au or phone 9891 2277 during business hours.

During the hot weather we need to stay well hydrated and cool so it is a great time to spend reading a book-thinking about your faith or dreaming up ideas for how we might increase our engagement with the wider community at Westmead and with each other. It is also a great time to stop and pray for others. So let's use this quieter time to our advantage.

Rev Christine had a busy but wonderful time at Yuróra 2017 (NCYC). Yuróra is a Dharug word which conveys the sense of feeling something so deep within yourself that you are moved to action. This could be understood as passion or even anger. Jean recalls attending the NCYC in Queensland in 1966- and it was and still is a life changing experience. Please pray for the young people who have returned home and for the congregations which will receive them- that they might together listen well for the calling of the Spirit in the changes and challenges of life.



DEEPENING FAITH and RELATIONSHIPS with others Worship- Sundays 9.45am

Bible Study- Mondays 2.00-3.30pm - Recommences Monday 6th Feb Fellowship- first Tuesday of the month 2.00-4.00pm- Recommences Tuesday 7th Feb.

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 Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am Recommences Tues 31st Jan Recommences Wed 1st Feb Recommences Friday 3rd Feb

Reflection

Below is a theological statement being developed by a group from our congregations for our redevelopment of 119 Macquarie St. Another will be written for Westmead.

The Theological Vision Permeating inSpire

Introducing inSpire

The project's name is designed to interweave the architecture of the building project with an expression of Christian believing and the practice of faith. The design includes the rebuilding of the spire on Leigh Memorial Church. It will provide an iconic symbol of the Christian faith amidst the glass towers of Parramatta Square. It will bear witness to 'the light of the world' in a busy cityscape while, at the same, pointing attention back to the life of a community of worship and service inspired by belief in and about Jesus Christ. That language of 'inspiring' captures an all-embracing sense of the Spirit of God which is manifest both in the church and the wider world in which we find ourselves.

The theological vision for this project is premised on the significance of the Church being at the centre of the city proclaiming the good news and the hospitality of Christ through Word and Deed. It will seek to be a place of inspiration.

The development will be an oasis, a well of living water, in the city, a place of nurture, hope, inclusivity, peace, and offer sanctuary. Building design will seek to address the overwhelming stress of our world through prayer, calmness, soulmaking, and the pursuit of the Common Good of the City;

It will seek to be a place of support, nourishment and reflection that will be a "gift of grace" to the City of Parramatta. It will offer space for prayer and reflection – and provide opportunities to explore life's meaning and a spirituality for the twenty-first century which is grounded in the continuing relevance of Christ Jesus, the light of the world.

This development will be the social and spiritual pillar of the City as our society hungers for what the Church can offer through Worship, Witness and Service.

Through its architecture and life it will seek to inSpire.

The ministries and diverse activities to be delivered from this development will have a wide impact on the fabric of the City as inSpire seeks to be:

A place of life and worship, community and practice established in the hospitality of Christ.

which is made present through the drawing near of the reign of God and the proclamation of good news;

(ii) A public place:

- which acknowledges ,engages and respects the indigenous heritage of this land and area – and thus inspires acts which make for reconciliation;
- which recognizes and celebrates the cultural and religious diversity of the city;
- which celebrates the history of Parramatta and an encourages visions for the future:
- which is a place of welcome and hospitality to the wider community a city-space;
- which is a centre of Arts and Theatre inspiring diverse and rich expressions of creativity;

(iii). A place to pursue the common good:

- which rejoices in the goodness of God, to love one's neighbour as oneself, and to do good to all.
- which seeks to pursue justice and inspire hope;
- which models care of God's good creation and inspires and practices sustainable practices.;
- which provides a place of gathering to talk about conflicted issues, ethics and community concerns – and thereby seek to be a voice and place to influence the direction and tone of our community

(iv). A touching place:

- which is inspired by the practice of Christ and is exemplified through the virtues of forgiveness, mercy, compassion, reconciliation, love, friendship, grace.
- which is a safe nurturing gathering space for the community a sanctuary
- which is a place to gather in times of crisis and loss, to mourn, comfort, strengthen and encourage.
- which is a place that teaches, preaches and explores how we can be drawn together to be the people of God in Parramatta by listening to the lonely, lost, weary, sick, grieving, wealthy and poor.

(v). A place which is open to God's future

- which lies beyond our here and now;
- which is open to being led by the Spirit in ways which are faithful to the Christ through whom, in whom, and for whom all things were made;
- and which looks forward to the fulfilment of the kingdom of God and the reconciliation of all things.

We need to complete this by the January 31. All comments will be useful to the drafters. Is the language accessible? Is it clear? Is anything missing? Please send comments to me and I will forward to the group.





COME AND BE A PART OF THE 2017 PARRAMATTA MISSION PANCAKE RACE...

EVENT DETAILS:

Date: Tuesday 28th February 2017

Time: Race commences at 11:30am

(participant arrival at 11:00am for orientation and warm up/stretches)

Location: Centennial Square Parramatta

On the day: Teams of four (4) participants in relays heats.

Followed by a final race consisting of the top four timed teams...

Teams are running in support of Parramatta Mission's Raising Hope (Foundation for women facing homelessness). Participants take to the track on a mission to be crowned the Pancake Race winners, and take out the ultimate prize, the "Gold fry pan."

Will your team be triumphant or will a previous year's winning team retain their glory?

Team registrations: Before Tuesday 14th February 2017

Information/inquiries: Donna Kelly

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9891 2277

For more information, please contact Donna Kelly via email at donna.kelly@parramattamission.org.au or phone 9891 2277

WAYS YOU CAN TAKE PART IN THE 2017 PARRAMATTA MISSION PANCAKE RACE

1. Register a team:

Officially register your team by contacting Donna Kelly with your team details (including a Captain to lead the team and be main contact for the team)

Note: (Teams consist of four (4) runners)

2. Register a Team for support and sponsorship:

Register your team on "EverydayHero"

https://www.everydayhero.com.au/event/pmpancakerace2017

3. Donate to Raising Hope:

Visit the Pancake Race everydayhero page https://www.everydayhero.com.au/event/pmpancakerace2017 select the "donate" option to support.

4. Donate a prize for the winning and consecutive teams:

Contact Donna Kelly to discuss, as per contact details below.

Come on the day and show your support for Parramatta Mission and Raising Hope...

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.



Parramatta Mission/Leigh Memorial are again proudly volunteering at the Australia Day Tethered Balloons in Parramatta Park. Involvement is warmly welcome and invited. If you are able to support by volunteering your time to guide Balloon passengers to their designated balloon, please contact



Donna Kelly (9891 2277 or email <u>donna.kelly@parramattamission.org.au</u>)
Thank you

Foster your faith this week

Mic 6:1-8 Ps 15 1 Cor 1:18-31 Mt 5:1-12

Pastoral message for this week....

Character counts in leaving a legacy that matters

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:

- ♥ For radical hospitality, passionate worship, intentional faith development, risk-taking witness and service, and extravagant generosity
- 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: Cawdor UC Pray for this small congregation in the extreme south of the Presbytery.
- PM Leigh Fijian: Youth attending Yurora from 8th 12th Jan. Sai Vute and Delana family. Vocea and Vosalotaki families as they continue holidays overseas. Niko Balavu and his family. Wendy Morris as she continues voluntary work with the Methodist Church of Fiji and Rotuma and Uniting World
- PM Leigh Memorial: Col, Betty, Willamena, Nell.
- PM Westmead: 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.
- 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 Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden.



Worship Services at Parramatta Mission

Mon to Fri 9.00am - 2.00pm Open Church @ Leigh Memorial

Tuesday Holy Communion @ Leigh 1.10pm

Sunday Leigh Memorial Congregation @ Leigh 9.30am

> 9.45am Westmead Congregation @ Westmead

11.15am Leigh Fijian Congregation @ Leigh Korean Faith Community @ Leigh 1.30pm

7.00pm Praise, Prayer, Cake & Coffee @ Leigh

Contacts

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9891 2277 Leigh Fijian Congregation:

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

Westmead Congregation: Rev Christine Bayliss Kelly 0409 925 607

Westmead Church: 175 Hawkesbury Road Westmead: 98919354

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