

PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2019

Parramatta Salvation Army



NEWEST AUSSIES!

On Wednesday 27 February both Patricia Opping Yeboah and Kofi Maison became Citizens of Australia. Congratulations! We celebrate their journey so far and as they begin this next stage of their life we pray that God will continue to bless and guide them.



UPCOMING DATES:

SUNDAY 3 MARCH
Self Denial launch

16 + 17 MARCH
Divisional visit to Taree
by songsters and band

SUNDAY 17 MARCH
9.30AM WORSHIP AT
PARRAMATTA

SUNDAY 31 MARCH
Day of Prayer
Farewell Morning tea

SUNDAY 7 APRIL
Self Denial Altar Service

PRAYERPOINTS



Praying for the Youth House Party this weekend: for the youth group, for the youth leaders, and for their guest speaker Kirsty Stringer [Captain].



Praising God as Patricia and Kofi become Australian Citizens! Praying for Sahar as she interviews for Permanent Residency.



Keep on praying for those in our church community who are unwell, or recovering from surgery, injuries, or ill-health. Please let the PCC team know who needs extra care and prayer.



If you would like us to pray for you or your loved ones, contact either **Marty Bust** or **Dot Griffin** for it to be included in the newsletter.

PRAYERDAY

Every year we schedule in our corps calendar a day for prayer. Something that is planned for the whole church to participate in. Sunday 31 March will be our corps Prayer Day for 2019. There will be 3 components to this prayer day that will compliment our time together in worship [9am and 10.45am]. As per previous years there will be a booklet provided to guide and encourage you as you seek God in prayer. The booklets will be available on Sunday 24 & 31 March. Here is an overview of the three aspects that we will incorporate into the prayer day; key aspects for every disciple of Jesus:

UP

SPEND TIME ALONE WITH THE LORD; LIFT UP YOUR HEART AND HANDS TO HIM

Begin the day with the Lord. Become aware of his presence as you awake and take some moments to embrace his goodness and favour in your life.

End the day with the Lord. Acknowledge his guidance in your day and go to sleep meditating on his love for you.

The booklet will offer you some ideas on different ways to pray [from the Spiritual Disciplines Handbook].

IN

INVITE OTHERS TO PRAY WITH YOU

Over a cuppa or with a meal, invite your friends, family, fellow Christians to spend some time together with you in prayer. No-one will be left out if we all initiate the invitation and include



at least one other person in this 'IN' prayer time. It could be your buddy or your hubby; or someone you have just met and would like to get to know better and encourage them in their faith.

If prayer is a value in our church then we need to be engaging in prayer together. The booklet will guide you through this shared prayer time as well as direct you to other available resources.

OUT

GET OUT IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD AND PRAY FOR IT!

Set aside some time to walk around your neighbourhood. Do you know who lives near you? What might be some of the things that people in your

neighbourhood face?

As you walk the streets pray for the people who live in the houses you are walking by.

If you are unable to walk around your neighbourhood go and sit in a park nearby, or go down to the local shopping centre and observe those around you.

Pray for whoever you see. Pray for the groups who operate in your local area: for schools, sporting clubs, local businesses, the local council and councillors.

Your booklet will suggest ways you can pray for your local neighbourhood.

The corps Prayer Day is for you!

Please join in the up-in-out!

Let's be people of prayer as together we follow our Lord, grow in faith and share the love of Jesus with others.

PARRAMATTA CORPS PRAYERDAY SUNDAY 31 MARCH

CORPSNEWS

RED SHIELD RIDE

In April I'll be riding 1400kms from Sydney to Melbourne to help raise much needed funds for the Red Shield Appeal. It's a jolly long way, quite frankly! It's a big challenge and a big personal fund raising target of **\$5000!** So I'm going to need your help. If you can help, you can make a tax deductible donation and get your receipt online at the link below, or donate the money to me directly and I'll process it for you. Please let me know if you'd like a signed photo of me in my lycra :)

<https://redshieldride.everydayhero.com/au/help-me-make-a-difference>

CHURCH BUDDY RENEWAL

To help us revise the church buddy system, could you please nominate a person you will commit to looking out for over the next 12 months. It can be the same person you already have or someone different. The idea is to choose someone beyond your circle of friends or someone you know quite well. This helps us to know the wider church community and be aware when people are absent. The emphasis is on keeping connected. You already do that with your friends and those who are in the same small groups as yourself. Choose someone you would like to get to know and be intentional about staying connected with throughout this significant time of transition for the corps. There is a form available for you to fill in and then return to Dot Griffin or someone on the Pastoral Care Team [Margaret Robinson, Keith Humbley, Glen Evans, Val Godkin, Patricia Yeboah, Janet Muir, Bill Mole, Colin Young, Margaret Sanz and Jodi Morris]. Thank you for being part of this venture and staying 'connected'.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

We've provided a few chairs with arms for those with particular needs, basically to help them feel more secure as they get to their feet. At the moment they generally attend the 10.45 meeting. Please make sure these chairs are available for those who need them. We're sure you'll understand our request and that, if necessary, an usher may ask you to vacate these chairs for someone whose need is greater than yours.

PHOTOS FOR CORPS DIRECTORY

For those who haven't had their photo taken for the new Corps Directory, please see Jon Griffin either after the 9.00am or 10.45 am meetings. Thank you.

PARRAMATTA CORPS

CHURCH

BUDDY

building healthy community

YOUR NAME:

PERSON YOU NOMINATE
[TO BE A BUDDY TO]

I will stay connected by regularly contacting my church buddy for the next 12 months.



COMINGEVENTS

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH 2019

FREEDOM IN TRAVEL

With Kerrie and Colin Parker

Morning tea at 10.00am and meeting at 10.30am at Granville.

YOUTH GROUP



'ALL NATIONS' GATHERING

Share your story; share some food; share in community.

An opportunity for us to listen to each other and learn about the different cultures we bring into our church community.

11AM Sunday 17 March. Please RSVP to Sharon.

Golden Years

Wednesday 13th March 2019

A fun morning of sharing.....

- * something funny – a story or joke
- * a 2019 Blessing
- * a poem
- * an outstanding memory / photo
- * a movie review
- * an interesting item from home
- * a musical item
- * or surprise us!

10.00am for morning tea
10.30am for the meeting



All Saints Ministry Centre

More detail? Phone Margaret: 9635 6870



Friday 8th March 2019 | 7:00pm (markets open 6:30pm)

TRIVIA & MARKETS NIGHT

team trivia - market stalls - food & beverage cafe - prizes
adults \$15 | kids \$10 | family \$50 | table (of 8) \$100



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