

4 August 2024

Our mission is to:

Shine with the love of Jesus, grow mature disciples and declare the Good News.

15 years ago, Graham Caird believed that God was calling this Church to start a community meal. Kim Wellard was the one who took this ministry on and liaised with Bayside Community Care to start Matt's place. They set it up as a place where people came and experienced God's love in action. It was a sit down meal where they were given choice and were served. After four years, a group of our guests wanted to know more about

Jesus, so Kim ran an Alpha course and hence Lunch Church started. We are very grateful to Jaqueline Hendrey who started as a team member and then went onto lead it over the past 14 years. She does this as a volunteer and is an amazing team leader. In 15 years close to 200 000 meals have been served to our community, providing a nutritious hot meal and most importantly, a welcoming, safe and warm place where people can find community and friendship.

At our 15th birthday celebration, it was great to have Mayor Cr Jenna Davey-Burns, Wattle Ward, City of Kingston, Bishop Paul Barker from the Diocese, Rob Buckingham, Senior Minister and President from Bayside Church and Sandra Cavello the General Manager of Bayside Community Care. We thank every volunteer who has faithfully served and given to this community

over the years and made Matt's place what it is today.

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Vision and Strategy

Over the next few weeks, we are asking everyone who comes to our Longbeach Church to be prayerful about our vision and strategy. There has been for a while a mismatch between our resources (volunteers, staffing and finances) and what we are trying to achieve. We are looking for solutions and look forward to hearing your feedback as to how you believe God is calling us as a community to resolve this mismatch. Please put your ideas onto paper and hand them or email them into the office. We will have a feedback meeting on Sunday 6 October after the 10.00 am service where we will discuss your thoughts.

Hands on Learning

What an amazing transformation that has happened to the St Chad's hall and courtyard. Throughout this past week, we have had over 70 students from 5 schools come and paint, clean, construct, staple and cook. There is also a new street library that the team have made that is situated on Thames Promenade. If you have some novels that you are no longer using, please place them in the library (if they don't fit, please take them home). We are very grateful to Bunnings. Taubmans and Monarcks for their generosity in providing all of the materials needed for these projects to happen.

Prayer and Praise

- Praise for God's provision of food each week for Matt's Place. Our grocery bill is very low as teams of people collect rescued food from Aldi, Foodbank and SecondBite and deliver it to us.
- Pray for our missionaries—Derek & Rosie in the NT, Ash & Sue in the Solomons and PNG, 'I' as she cares for her aging parents in Melbourne and particularly for Lauren as she awaits her visa for Spain in the UK.

Chris & Nigel Rosen

Over the past week, Nigel has been in hospital with a virus. It has been challenging for Chris and she has felt that she needed to step down from being a volunteer Associate Minister for now. Nigel is in remission still but has had

Playgroup Starting on Thursday 8 August 10-11.30am

It will be great to hear young voices again on Thursday mornings at our new playgroup. This is one of our evangelism programs. Please pray about who you could ask to come and be part of the program.

Bible Reading August 4—Psalm 67

Andrew Livingstone from CMS with us next week

It will be great to have Andrew from CMS sharing with us next week from Psalm 67. He is also on the selection team for the next Archbishop's appointment so if you have any thoughts about this, please talk with him.

CMS cards for sale on 4 August

In the past we have had Gaylene Harrower come to our Church to sell cards on behalf of CMS. They will be coming to our 8 & 10am services on Sunday 4 August. Over the past 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ years they have raised over \$60,700. You can pay with cash or with your credit card and donations are also accepted. The cards are hand decorated and calligraphy-written. They cost \$2.50 each, with 100% of the money going to CMS.

Concert with Wayne and Carol - 15 September

Wayne and Carol are coming to our St Chad's Centre to provide a wonderful afternoon of entertainment. They will be singing hits from Carol Carpenter, Barry Gibb and Linda Ronstadt and there will be a delicious afternoon tea to follow. Invite your friends to this fundraiser.

Monthly Afternoon Tea

Every third Thursday of the month a team of people are hosting an afternoon tea (2-4pm) for those who would like to come to the Parish Centre at St Chad's to connect with others from both centres. Over time they would like this to be open to our friends and maybe have an outing every now and then. Please let us know if you are interested.

Parish Directory

We are reprinting the parish directory. Copies are at the back of both churches. Please check your entry and initial it if it is correct. If your details have changed or your are not in our directory please fill out a form and hand it to Sue or Jaqueline.

Newcomer's Lunch

On Sunday 15 August we will be holding another newcomers lunch. If you new to our Church in the last 6 months you are most welcome to come. Please let Sue or Jaqueline know if you would like to attend.

Pantry 5000 Food of the Week ... Cereal and instant noodles

Happy Birthday... Jenny Lane

Services in the church

10am at St Chad's every Sunday 8am at St Chad's 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month 11am at St Aidan's 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

This week in the church

Mon 2pm **Pastoral Care Meeting**

Tues 11:30am Matt's Place Lunch Church Tues 11:30am Wed 9:30am-1:30pm Pantry 5000 **Church Prayer Meeting** Wed 1pm

Singing Group at St Chad's (8 & 22 July) Thurs 7pm

Quilting & Craft at St Chad's (next meeting 9 August) Fri 10am

Soon in the church

10am Playgroup August 8

August 8 7pm Praying for Revival at St Paul's Cathedral

August 18 Newcomer's Lunch

September 15 Wayne and Carol concert at St Chad's

Bishop Paul visit September 22 October 8 Feedback for Vision

Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

Ongoing prayer—email requests to Jaqueline or Sue

Pastoral care—Sue Bluett 0433 024 626

Prayer has been requested for: Alan, Byron, Cheryl, Dawn, Di, Doug, Emmerson, Geoff P, Isla, Jade, James, Jasmine, Jess, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kirsty, Kirsty, Laura, Lee, Leonard, Margot, Maria, Mary, Massy, Michael, Michelle, Nigel & Chris, Nola, Oakley, Phoebe, Richard T, Rosemary,

Stephen T, Suzie, Will

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