

# PAC Pulse

The Newsletter of the Penshurst Anglican Church

15 May 2022

## From Rev Phill's Desk

### Focused ambition

On my break I started reading *The Emperor of all Maladies*. The book is about the history of cancer. There are many intriguing facts and stories in the book. One that captured me was that of Mary Lasker and Sidney Farber.

Sidney Farber is the father of modern chemotherapy. His work with children both advanced treatments but also perplexed when remission and death followed. Farber knew more funding was needed.

Mary Lasker had felt the grief of cancer in her family. So she had a mission. "I am opposed to heart attacks and cancer...the way one is opposed to sin." Farber and Lasker combined for the purpose of finding a solution to cancer. He would work in the lab while she would work to fund raise and use her contacts to keep cancer on the political agenda.

What struck me was how committed they were to solve a disease. For Sidney Farber, as for Mary Lasker, the cancer campaign was indeed turning into a "crusade," a scientific battle imbued with such fanatical intensity that only a religious metaphor could capture its essence.

Friends, we know the author of life. We know the one who will end all sickness and disease. We know the one who is opposed to sin and will come again to punish it. We also know the one who took on sin so that we could experience life and forgiveness. They were committed to promoting chemotherapy with all their might. May we have that same focussed ambition in proclaiming Christ and desiring people to find eternal life in him.



## News

### Day Conference

On 25<sup>th</sup> June we have PAC day conference. The event will be held at Jannali Anglican church.

Our guest speaker is Dr Ed Loane who will speak on Christian Unity. There will be time to think about what this means for our church.

More details to come!!!



# WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING @ PAC

## 7 Big Questions

Monday 16th May at 7:30pm.

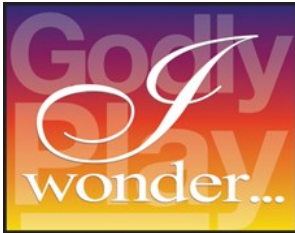
This is a ZOOM meeting where we watch a short video and interact on the concepts which are raised.



## Could you be a Godly Play doorperson?

A door person is like a classroom assistant during the Godly Play session. Adding a sense of safety and security for the children, as well as support to what is happening during each stage of Godly Play.

You can speak with Merilyn Mayhew if you would like to observe what a door person does.



## Playtime

We want to connect with families in our local area and introduce them to Jesus.

Playtime is an opportunity to do this.

We had our first planning meeting for Playtime last Wednesday. We started thinking about the logistics and promotion of the group.

Would you please pray that God would use Playtime to connect with people in the community?

Perhaps you would like to join the team. If so, please speak to Tiny or Phill.



# Prayer

## Penshurst Girls High School Scripture

- ◆ Give thanks for more girls who have joined Scripture classes
- ◆ Pray that the girls will choose to follow Christ
- ◆ Pray for the upcoming seminar in June for year 10 students
- ◆ Pray for Elizabeth as she adjusts to the challenges



- ◆ For Parish Council and the decisions they will make
- ◆ For youth who has come to the BBQ on Friday night
- ◆ For God to bless the endeavours of the Playtime group
- ◆ For the General Synod as they meet and for the motions they pass
- ◆ For to grow us spiritually (individually and as a church)

## Rosters

9am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters
15 May	Cici Wu	William Guo John 3:1-21	<b>Meryl Mayhew</b>	Cici Wu
22 May	Ian <b>Chappell</b> Caroline Mammatt	Jeff Powys John 4:1-26	Megan Powys	Ian <b>Chappell</b> Caroline Mammatt
29 May	Selina Kuok	<b>Christine</b> Blaser John 4:27-54	Peter Chappel	Selina Kuok Bing Ceballos

## 11am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters	Musicians	Godly Play
15 May		Colette Read John 3:1-21	Naomi Zrno	Geoff Scrimmes & Andrew Ung	Sophina, Phill, Lucy, Ray, Hua & Miranda	Tiny Tse & Meryl Mayhew
22 May	John Haynes	Joy Watkinson John 4: 1-26	Marina Leung	Ralph Chen & Susan Zhang	Candace, Phill, Jennifer Lee, Sarah, Amy & Bel	Gaye Bishop & <b>Jing Huang</b>
29 May	Rinni Simpson Colette Read	Gay Bishop John 4: 27-54	Gordon Fu	Geoff Scrimmes & Kathie Johnson	Joy, Phill, Joseph, Lucy Yang & Gaye	Tiny Tse & Meryl Mayhew

## Online Banking

Please give your offertory by direct debit using the banking details below:

**Westpac Bank, Mortdale**  
**St Johns General Fund**  
**BSB: 032167**  
**Account No: 870821**

*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."*  
2 Corinthians 9:7

We use your offertory to pay for:

- ◆ The salaries of our paid ministry team;
- ◆ The costs of maintaining our Church and Hall buildings;
- ◆ The costs of our Youth Group and Children's Ministry

We give at least 10% of our income to our supported ministries and partners, here in Sydney and overseas. If you want further information please ask our Pastors and Church Wardens.

### SMALL GROUPS

If you are interested in joining one of a small group please speak to Rev. Phill about which cell will fit you best.

## Contact Us

**Senior Pastor: Rev. Phill Read**

9580 1217 or 0401 539 736

Email: phill@penshurstanglican.org

**Assistant Pastor: Rev Canon David Wong**

0410 247 200

Email: david@penshurstanglican.org

**Family Pastor: Tiny Tse**

0439 022 877

Email: tiny@penshurstanglican.org

**Penshurst Anglican Church:**

2 Carrington St, Penshurst

[www.penshurstanglican.org/](http://www.penshurstanglican.org/)

@ penshurstanglican

Follow us on social media

