



The Uniting Church in Australia
Warwick, Killarney & Freestone Uniting
Parish

Sunday 22nd October 2023



Busy Plant Stall!

Prayer for the Future:

God of hope, you call us to lift our eyes to see your paths.
Light flames of passion, that a future of equality may be brighter.
Come, transforming presence, change us and re-orient our living.

God of compassion, you love every person,
help us to see the sacredness of one another.
beloved children of God, and act with respect and kindness.
Come, loving presence, shape our words and our actions.

God of tomorrow, you walk beside us,
offering us glimpses of the kingdom of heaven.
that we may know how to live in faithfulness.
In gentleness and in passion, in anger and in peace,
remind us of your call upon our lives, and your companionship upon the road,
that we might follow in your way.

This we pray, Amen *(from Uniting Church Assembly)*



Welcome to worship as we gather to worship God, laying aside the cares of the past week and the concerns for the next. Breathe and enjoy the Spirit of God this morning!

Worship Services

Sunday 22nd October

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick HC
- 5:30pm Intergenerational Worship



Sunday 29th October

- 10.00am Killarney Ecumenical Anglican Church.
- 9:30am Warwick
Wedding & Baptism
- 5:30pm Intergenerational Worship.

Readings:

Sunday 22nd October

Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

Sunday 29th October

Deuteronomy 34:1-1

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

BAPTISM
SATURDAY 28TH
OCTOBER
1pm at WIRAC
Hydro

All are invited to support Joyce as Ansie baptises her with full immersion.



SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER

Celebrating
the Wedding of Charles & Joyce
and the Baptism of
their daughter Eleanor.

Let's make this a wonderful morning tea, celebrating the occasion with the family especially as happening on our 5th Sunday with no rostered Hospitality Group.

We are organising a Wedding Cake

SYNOD – the gathering of Ministry Agents and Presbytery Representatives
Ansie is attending Synod at Alexandra Park from 20th to 25th October. Please pray for our leaders and Ansie in particular, as she leads her sessions.

Rev Bruce Moore inducted as our new Moderator on 20th October, 7pm, Link for live viewing:

[Moderator's Induction Livestream -](#)
[Uniting Church in Australia, Queensland](#)
[Synod \(ucaql.com.au\)](#)

CHORAL SOCIETY and the Melomaniacs
Around the World in Song
Sunday 5th November

2:00pm



\$15 entry includes afternoon tea.
Tickets available at the door

Reflections on Matthew 22:15-22...Church and State



Have you ever been asked a question that put you in a real quandary as to how to answer it?

something that we might call a loaded question that makes you feel guilty whichever way you answer it?

An example: Have you quit cheating in a game of cards? If you answer “yes”, then you are admitting that you used to cheat. Then if you answer “no”, then you would seem to be admitting that you do cheat and are still cheating. So, what can you do to answer this loaded, trick question without getting yourself into trouble?

Jesus is being asked a loaded question in our reading for today. He was gaining massive popularity among the people which greatly upset the Pharisees and other religious leaders. They saw Jesus as a threat to their authority and had been trying everything to make him look bad in the eyes of the people.

So, they hatched this plot to trap him into saying something that would discredit him in the eyes of the people.

“Teacher, is it right to pay taxes to Caesar...or not?”

Answer no and he would be accused of sedition and turned over to the Roman Authorities...answer yes and he loses the sympathy of his supporters who hated the tax and expected Jesus as their Messiah to free them from Roman oppression,

A very loaded question! But Jesus was able to give a very wise answer: Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar...and to God, what belongs to God. With this answer, Jesus puts the responsibility back on each one of us. It is up to each of us as to how we respond when faced with this kind of dilemma! Remember the early church and many still around the world making their choices when persecuted!

As Christians, listening and obeying God must take priority over all else...in politics as in the prevailing values of our present society. Shalom, Jean.

BIRTHDAYS!

We would like to acknowledge everyone's birthday month (not day or year) by publishing at the beginning of the month the birthdays for that month. But, while we have some, we don't have them all. And while we want to be respectful, we think you are each worth celebrating!! Please let Dianne Cahill know if you happy to be included (0427000887)

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CARE CORNER

Thank you to those who provide hospitality each Sunday after worship. While it may seem that your efforts are taken for granted be assured it is always appreciated. A bonus to enable fellowship within our congregations.

Thank you also to each of you who donate in thanks for the delicious food and cuppa. Perhaps you wonder what benefit comes from this hospitality?

On Tuesday morning 10th October Rev Ansie was visited by a distressed overseas worker who had just received news that his father had died unexpectedly, meaning he needed help to organise travel back home and assistance with the cost as he regularly sends his wages home to his family and the orphaned boys who are his neighbours.

He had asked for help from a number of agencies but had been unsuccessful. It was our Pastoral Care meeting that morning, so we looked at how much was in the WKUC fund into which the hospitality donations are deposited.

The WKUC fund in conjunction with Fr Franco from St Mary's church, has been able to assist him with travel expenses to enable him to be with his family after the sudden death of his father.

This is just one example of how the WKUC funds are used to help those on need.

Thank you to all who make this possible.

The members of the Pastoral Care Team



THIS WEEK: 22nd -28th October

Hospitality: Group 4

Monday 23rd October *Ansie's day off*

8:15am Courthouse Cuppa

10:45am Akooramak

Tuesday 24th October

Wednesday 25th October

9:15am mainly music Killarney

1:00pm Wesley Bowls

3:00pm Selah Home Group

6:00pm Young Women's Group

7:00pm Beta Home Group

Thursday 26th October

9:15am mainly music Warwick

1:00pm St Andrews Bowls

5:00pm Killarney Girls' Brigade

7:00pm Market Review

Friday 27th October

9:30am Courtyard Coffee

10:00am KYB

Saturday 28th October

1:00pm Baptism

WIRAC hydro

Flowers: Marg Wells

The Corinthians write back to Paul ...



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