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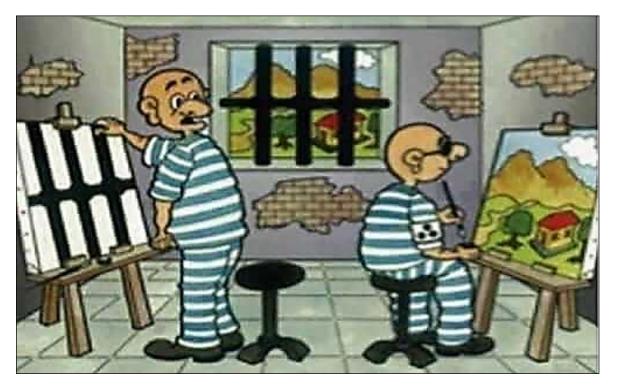


Warwick, Killarney & Freestone Uniting Parish

Sunday 28th January 2024



Journeying Together



PRAYER:

Loving God, thank you for Christ coming into this world and changing so much. Changing the way we see you, changing the way we see others and changing lives in ways that bring us closer to you as our heavenly Father.

> Open our eyes Lord, so we can see Christ around us. Open our hearts with your Spirit of comfort and healing. Encourage and strengthen us as our year gets busier with the tasks set before us. Make us good companions to others on this journey of living as Christ while in this world. Open our ears to hear your call as we consider membership to our Church Council and encourage us to act.

> > Father, speak to us. Call us!

Welcome to worship as we gather to worship our God in person and online, celebrating the Lord's Supper. Please feel welcome to stay for a coffee following worship. Check out our website for more information about us: https://wkuc.org.au

Worship Services

Sunday 28th January

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick Holy Communion

Sunday 4th February

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

MARRIAGE COURSE

Has commenced, Williams Hall each Tuesday 6.30pm

There is still room and time to join but only until next Tuesday, 30th January.

NOMINATIONS TO COUNCIL

Please prayerfully consider the life of the church and whether you are called to be part of Church Council. You may know someone who has gifts and abilities that would be valuable in Council.

Nomination forms are in the porch and need to be returned by Sunday 4th February.

PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Sunday 18th February, 2pm Killarney Uniting Church

AGM Report Book goes to printer middle of this week and will be out 4th February.







Sunday 28th January Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28

Sunday 4th February

Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

Killarney Adult Fellowship AGM

Thursday 1 February at 1.30pm in Uniting Church Hall, Killarney.

Guest speaker Jo Rathmell will give us a progress report on the service provided by Protea Place, Warwick.

All are welcome to attend. Afternoon tea will follow.



They're on the wall!

Our defibrillator and first aid box relocated to the entrance to Williams Hall. Pew removed for easy access to the boxes. And doesn't it look good! Thank you, David, for installing.

Reflection on Mark 1: 21-28

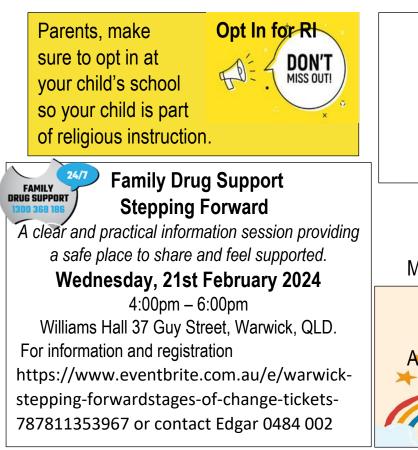


This account that Mark includes so close to the beginning of his Gospel is very familiar, and it

occurs close to the beginning of the ministry of Jesus, right after he has called his first disciples. However, we need to look at the details, in order to learn for our own life and faith.

Jesus and his followers have been travelling about, and they are in Capernaum on the Sabbath. They go to the synagogue, and Jesus teaches. As a travelling Rabbi, it would have been customary for him to be invited to do this.

His teaching astonishes all those who were present for 'he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes'. (v22). As they were digesting all this, a



man with an unclean spirit confronts Jesus, and the spirit recognizes that Jesus is the Holy One of God, and Jesus rebukes the spirit, and it leaves the man.

The man is never mentioned again. People are not rejoicing with this miraculous healing. All this first miracle in Mark does is cause people to ask, "What is this? A new teaching - with authority!" (v27)

We imagine if we saw a miracle, or witnessed a healing, our faith would be unwavering, but the Gospel writers knew this is untrue. Sure, miracles show power, but power can come from different sources, good and bad. Faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit is a gift that we can receive or reject. My prayer for us this New Year is that we will receive this gift with open hearts and outstretched arms. Amen. Blessings, May

WORKING BEE Saturday 3rd February 2024 Starting 7am

To clean out the mower shed Helpers, Utes and trailers needed. See Ian Darnell

COMING EVENT

Flyers available More information on the Noticeboard

AMPLIFY CONFERENCE

Australia's largest children, youth and family ministry conference. Saturday 2nd March 2024

CARE CORNER

- Give thanks for the Ministry and Task Team Reports coming in.
- Pray for people to have open minds and hearts to leadership roles in the Church.
- Pray for our minister Rev Ansie as we prepare for our Annual General Meeting.
- Give thanks for our Church Council, those continuing their role, those leaving and those who are feeling called.
- Give thanks for our newcomers to our congregations. May you be richly blessed!
- Give thanks for the young people in our congregation. We love seeing you!
- Pray for those who have suffered loss of loved ones and health, and for those recovering from surgery.
- Pray for our groups as activities start.

Reminder

Lent begins Wednesday 14th February.

March Market Day meeting: Thursday 15th Feb : 7.00pm

March Market Day: Saturday 9th March

THIS WEEK: 28th January – 3rd February

Hospitality: Group 4 Flowers: Marg Wells

Monday 29th January 10:45am Akooramak Service 2.00pm Grief and Loss **Tuesday 30th January** 6:30pm Marriage Course Wednesday 31st January 9.30am Killarney mainly music 1:00pm Wesley Bowls 3:00pm Selah Home Group 7:00pm Beta Home Group **Thursday 1st February** 9:15am Warwick mainly music 9:30am KMAC worship 1:30pm Killarney Adult Fellowship AGM 2:00pm Bromley Court Service 5:00pm Killarney Girls' Brigade 7:00pm Task Team Thursday Friday 2nd February 9:30am Courtyard Coffee 10:00am KYB Saturday 3rd February

Flowers: Alison Baistow

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