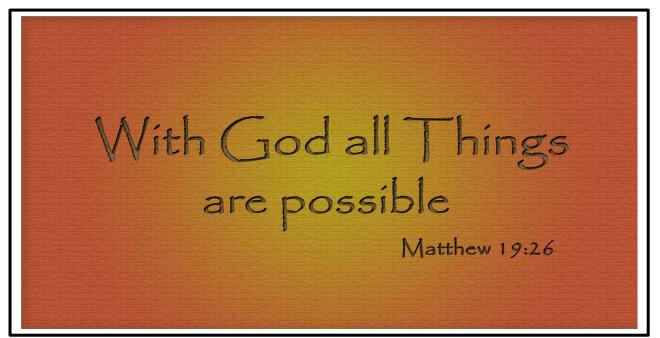


The Uniting Church in Australia Warwick, Killarney & Freestone Uniting Parish

Sunday 23rd February 2025



Welcome to worship on the 7th Sunday of Epiphany. May God bless you today as you join either online or in the pew. Please stay for a chat and a cuppa after the Service.



Faithful God when we are tempted to fret and worry. Help us trust in your unfailing care.

When we grow weary of waiting, teach us to rest in your timing.

Renew our delight in your way, our trust in your guidance.

Like a garden tended by your hand may we flourish where you plant us.

Make us a church which chooses gentleness over demanding our way.

Patience over anxious striving, trust over desperate control.

Be our strength in troubled time.

Our refuge when we falter, our hope when paths seem unclear. Shape us into people who reflect your peace for the life of the world.

Amen.

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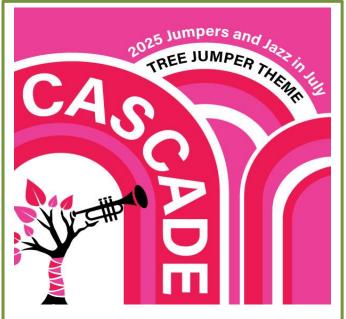
Worship Services Sunday 23rd February • 8:30am Killarney • 9:30am Warwick Sunday 2nd March 8:30am Killarney HC 9:30 Warwick Happy birthday to you Kerry Doolan 23rd Feb Kathy Balsillie 25th Feb



Readings

Sunday 23rd February Genesis 45: 3 -11, 15 Psalm 37: 1 – 11, 39-40 1 Corinthians 15: 35 – 38, 42 - 50Luke 6: 27 – 38

Sunday 2nd March **Transfiguration Sunday** Exodus 34: 29 - 35 Psalm 99 2 Corinthians 3: 12 – 4:2 Luke 9: 28 – 36, 37- 42a



If you would like to be involved in our participation in Jumpers and Jazz this year, still time to contact Sue Campbell with your interest and to indicate where you are able to assist. Registration due 3rd March when we need to list our events. Contact for Sue 0407 622 877

March Market Day

8th March 9 – 12pm

Plants, Books, Trash & Treasure+ home baked, sweets, sausage sizzle, courtyard coffee, entertainment, ARK.

Can you distribute Market Day flyers please see Sue or collect some from the clipboard in the hall vestry. List of places on clipboard. Thank you!

Jumpers and Jazz in July

How you can be involved in our Jumpers and Jazz displays In the Courtyard. Tree decorating. Any other bright ideas??? Let us know ASAP.

Reflection on the Words of Jesus in Luke 6:27-38...Impossible?

Making the impossible possible....changing our thought patterns from an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. That is what Jesus is asking from us as we continue the Sermon from the plain. The basic theme seems to be the collision of two worlds, two ways of life...God's and the world's. And we are called to choose where we stand and who it is we follow as we are called to love our enemies and do good to those who hurt us and bless those who curse us.

In this sermon, those who follow Jesus are to do these astonishing things... behaviour that appears virtually impossible to put into practice; impossible, not simply because it is so demanding, but also because it beckons us to be like God. Think about it! God's mercy and forgiveness is beyond compare. And here we are called to follow that lead. Many have done just this as victims forgave perpetrators and special bonds were forged to make the world a better place.

Reaching towards this impossible lifestyle shows the face of God to the world and draws us ever closer to God. With God, all things are possible, even the impossible. Behind Jesus' words is the vision and the conviction that God will bring in a reign of peace where former enemies will be joined in love and reconciliation. How badly our world needs this right now!

With mortals it would be impossible; but, with God there is a way to break the pattern of brokenness in our relationships; there is a way to affirm God's realm in our hearts; there is a way to make our home here a haven for the hurt and rejected, a place of peace, love and forgiveness instead of hate. When we live out our calling as God's children, the impossible becomes possible!.....Shalom, Jean

Don't forget to share posts from our facebook group to help spread the word of our news and coming events.

World Day of Prayer

Friday 7th March – 10am Christ Church Anglican – Killarney Please bring a plate to share. Churches of Christ Auditorium – Warwick Numbers for catering please.



Care Corner

- Loving Father, you call us to be as generous in loving as you yourself, but we well know the weaknesses and liabilities of our hearts. Send us your Spirit to school our hearts and lives into Jesus' way of loving.
- Give thanks for the willingness of many in our Parish who go the extra mile extending the hand of fellowship and friendship. Those who give without expectation of anything in return.
- Live by the great commandment. The challenge for us, God offers freely given love and kindness to all, whether they deserve it or not, with his rain falling on good and bad alike. What God has done we are to do.
- Pray for those struggling to afford rent for a home, food for the table, medication for physical and mental health needs.
- Pray for the baby, toddler or young child with health challenges. Keep them and their family in your prayers that each small positive sign gives relief and hope.

What's happening this week?

24th Feb – 2nd March

Hospitality: Group – Group 4 Flowers this week: - May Morris & Daphne Porter

Monday 24th February

Ansie's non-contact day 10:45 am Akooramak

Wednesday 26th February

9:30am Killarney mainly music
10am Study group in Wesley Room
1pm Wesley Bowls
3pm Selah Bible study
Unit 5 Oak Tree, O'Leary Street
7pm Beta study group

Thursday 27th February

9.30 am mainly music Warwick.5pm Killarney Girls' Brigade.

Friday 28th February 9:30 – 11:30 am Courtyard Coffee

Flowers next week: Sue Campbell

Those Who Eat Alone Talk To Themselves.

- starting again on 2nd March - invite a friend to church and stay for lunch.

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