



**The Uniting Church in Australia
Warwick - Killarney
Uniting Parish**



Sunday 21st December 2025

*Welcome to worship on this fourth Sunday of Advent.
May God bless us today as we join online or in the pew.
Please stay to share a chat and cuppa afterwards.*



God of mercy and peace - we come to you with hearts that are tired and grieving.
We entrust to you the lives lost, the wounded, and all who hold sorrow this day.

Surround the Jewish community and all who have been affected with comfort,
safety and hope. Strengthen those who serve and protect, and grant wisdom and
gentleness to all who lead and respond.

In a world shaken by violence, teach us again the way of Christ – the way of love,
courage and peace. Hold us, heal us and lead us forwards.

Amen

Prayer from Rev Charissa Suli – President Uniting Church in Australia in
response to the Bondi Shooting.

Worship Services

Sunday 21st December

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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



21st December: Carol Service Killarney
5.30pm sausage sizzle before 7pm Carols

24th December: Freestone - 7pm

25th December: Killarney - 8:30am

25th December: Warwick - 8:30am

Sunday 28th December

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick HC

Sunday 4th January

- 8:30am Killarney HC
- 9:30am Warwick

Sunday 11th January

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick
- 2pm Freestone HC



Readings

Sunday 21st December

Isaiah 7: 10 - 16

Psalm 80: 1 – 7, 17 - 19

Romans 1: 1 - 7

Matthew 1: 18 – 25

Christmas Day

Isaiah 62: 6 – 12

Psalm 97

Titus 3: 4 – 7

Luke 2: 8 - 20

Sunday 28th December

Isaiah 63: 7 - 9

Psalm 148

Hebrews 2: 10 - 18

Matthew 2: 13 - 23

Next TWEATTT

1st February 2026



Prayer of the day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Reflection...Matthew 1:18-25... Emmanuel, God with us!

It's time for Emmanuel; time for wonder and love.

Time for gratitude and joy; time for celebration...Time for loving; time for adoration.

Look! A virgin shall conceive and give birth to a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel which means God with us.

This is our faith; this is the wonder of God with us. It moves us into adoration and worship. Our reading introduces us to Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus. We think about his dilemma, his feelings of hurt and betrayal, his unusual compassion, and his final choice to obey God. It can't have been an easy road to travel! Joseph and Mary were betrothed which, in the days of the first century, was so binding that only a divorce could sever it...and that meant shame and severe punishment.

When Joseph discovered that Mary was pregnant, he naturally suspected that Mary was guilty of being unfaithful to him. This is hurtful enough in today's world, but Mary and Joseph came from a region where Joseph's reputation would have been affected as well as Mary's. But Joseph has a dream from God stressing that this baby would save his people from their sins; and so, being this good, quietly faithful man, chosen by God, he obeys God and marries Mary.

All is now ready for God to come among us and bring his plan for our redemption to fruition. So, on Christmas Day, we once again hear that beloved story of the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. There are no bright lights, no fanfare, no mansion and cradle decked out for a King...There's shepherds and angels and the Holy Family housed in a stable when this baby is born. And God came into our world and revealed himself to us through this humble birth. Messiah has come!

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in...Be born in us today.
Have a happy and holy Christmas ...Shalom, Jean.

OFFICE CLOSURE

The church office will be closed from
midday 19th December 2025 until 9am
Tuesday 6th January 2026.
Phone 46611080 for assistance.
Next Notices - Sunday 11th Jan 2026

COURTYARD COFFEE

Thank you for a wonderful 2025
Back Friday 9th January 2026

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Ian Coy – 29th December
Cheryl Ackland – 3rd January
Ellie Kelso – 4th January
Phillip Knight – 4th January
Diane Coy – 6th January
Marion Reid – 8th January



Care Corner

- ❖ In need of prayer, contact our Prayer Net Co-Ordinator Dianne Cahill. All requests are confidential. 0427 000 887
- ❖ Be aware of those whose lives have been challenged during 2025 especially with the loss of a loved one, change to lifestyle, through health and welfare, finance and home situations, employment and every day happenings.
- ❖ Pray for Rev Ansie and all who lead our worship over the next few weeks.
- ❖ Help us to always be ready for Jesus when he is least expected, recognizing him in events and in people, and sharing him with those we meet in his serving love.
- ❖ We are now close to Christmas and already full of joy. Let it be a joy that comes from saying YES to God, to his plans, to his love, and of giving ourselves in love to those around us.



WILLOWTREE 37

– closed 23rd December -
opening on 6th January
2026

What's Happening

20th Dec – 11th January?

Hospitality:

28th December – Group 4

4th January - Group 1

11th January – Group 2

Flowers:

21st Dec - Sue Campbell

4th Jan – Rev May & Daphne

11th Jan – Marg Wells

18th Jan – Alison Baistow

Monday 22nd, 29th Dec & 5th Jan

Rev Ansie's day off

Tuesday 23rd December 2025

6th January 2026

Thursday 8th January

10am - 2pm WillowTree 37

Courtyard Coffee

Friday 9th Jan 9:00am – 12:00 pm

Please let Sue Campbell know if you'd like to join our floral ministry with providing flowers in the church.

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