



**Time The Uniting Church in Australia
Warwick - Killarney
Uniting Parish
Sunday 16th August 2026**



*Welcome to worship on Pentecost 12.
May God bless us today as we join online or in the pew.
Please stay to share a chat and cuppa afterwards.*



Xavier Walker's baptism at Freestone last Sunday.

We give thanks for the courage, sacrifice, and service of all Australian veterans.

O God, our ruler and guide, in whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation, we give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land and for those who laid down their lives to defend them:

We pray that we and all the people of Australia, gratefully remember your courage and sacrifice, may we have grace to live in a spirit of justice, of generosity and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

We ask a Blessing for Our Veterans

May God grant you deep inner strength and calm in your heart every day.

May any physical or hidden wounds of service find gentle care, comfort, and complete restoration.

May your loved ones feel supported, cherished, and surrounded by a caring community.

May you walk in the quiet assurance that your service is deeply valued and never forgotten.

Worship services

Sunday 16th August

8:30am Killarney

9:30am Warwick –

Veterans Service



Sunday 23rd August

8:30am Killarney

9:30am Warwick HC

*Acknowledging all the people who provide
our Sunday worship services:*

Our preachers: Rev Ansie, David Cahill, Daryal Simpson, Angela Lester, Rev Duncan McDiarmid

Our musicians: David Cahill, Alison Baistow, Margaret Bryant, Samuel Whitehead

Our worship leaders: Dianne Cahill, Jade Fletcher, Margaret Bryant, Jenny Pearce, Cathi Browne, Sue Campbell, Duncan McDiarmid, David Cahill.

Our technical team: Lawrie Clayton, Alyssa, Marg Wells, Pam Fletcher, Elizabeth Ure, Daryal Simpson, Mary Young, Ania Harper

Floral displays: Marg Wells, Alison Baistow, Daphne Porter, Sue Campbell, Marg Adcock

And our wonderful Hospitality teams.

Thank you all.

Readings

Sunday 16th August

Genesis 45: 1- 5

Psalms 133; Psalm 67

Isaiah 56: 1, 6 – 8

Romans 11: 1 – 2a, 29 – 32

Matthew 15:(10 – 20) 21-28

Sunday 23rd August

Exodus 1: 8 – 2:10

Psalms 124

Romans 12: 1 – 8

Matthew 16: 13 - 20



Meredith Heard – 18 Aug

Ruth Utz – 19 Aug

Shaun Baker – 21 Aug

Angela Lester – 22 Aug

Prayer for today.

God of all peoples. Your arms reach out to embrace all you call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy that your name may be known throughout the earth through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen

Reflection On Matthew 15:21-28...Overcoming Boundaries.

Jesus and his disciples have ventured beyond the religious and geographical boundaries towards Tyre and Sidon. It is here that he meets a Canaanite woman shouting to get his attention. The disciples want to send her away, but Jesus invites her into conversation. He clearly states that he has come only for the lost sheep of Israel which was what the Messiah was expected to do. What follows is an interesting debate about giving crumbs to the dogs as she persists in her demand that Jesus could help her by healing her very ill daughter.

“Great is your faith!” says Jesus and her daughter is healed. This woman with her pushiness seems to understand that the grace of God present in Jesus will not be limited by the boundaries of who is deserving and who is not. Once again, we see his abundant compassion and that his love and healing power is not just for the ‘insiders’. So, this is a story about overcoming the barriers that prevent others from being made ‘whole’.

Jesus is willing to be engaged with this assertive woman in need...and so should we. She is not ‘one of us’...she has come from the margins of their society. We build barriers and boundaries, but Jesus pushes past them to show us all the inclusiveness of the family of God. Jesus refuses to be limited by definitions of insiders and outsiders and we are given this story of a woman who was able to overcome the barriers of the society of Israel.

Have we unconsciously erected barriers and formed church around our own expectations? Do we reach out in faith to those beyond the walls of our church and welcome all? Or are we like the disciples pushing those outsiders away? We need to remember that God’s love is greater than the highest wall of prejudice and his goodness is meant for all.

Shalom, Jean



The Downs Presbytery

CONGREGATIONAL RENEWAL

Sat 29 August
9am - 3pm
Warwick Uniting Church
178 Kent Warwick

Renewal is a buzzword in the church – but how do congregations enable renewal in today's crazy world?

Come and learn from a practitioner who has renewed three congregations, in the bush and the city. Practical, imaginative, & radical. Not for the faint hearted!

Topics Include:

- It's not you, it's us
- Vibrant Spirituality
- Understanding renewal
- Healthy Churches
- Vision, Mission & Culture
- Community engagement

Your facilitator, Rev Paul Clark, is an author, broadcaster, and Minister with over 20 years' experience helping congregations find their heart and growth (again). Christ. There we release Ministry, mission and identity Gough.

This workshop is priced at Church Loddon and is also done as a whole church loads while you.

Morning tea & Lunch included \$10 pay on day

TRINITY COLLEGE

To Register Call: 0427 962 781
Or email: clark@trinitycollege.edu.au

Last chance to register:

This is a special opportunity for us - especially leaders - to gather and mull over some important ideas for our parish –

Such as:

- Our vision, Mission and Culture
- Creating vibrant Spirituality
- Community engagement
- And understanding renewal.

Saturday 29 August - 9am – 3pm
In Warwick - \$10pp – register 0427 962 781.

Care Corner

**For prayer, contact Dianne Cahill
0427 000 887**

All requests are confidential.

- ❖ We welcome our Southern Downs Veterans who join us for worship this morning. Thank you for your commitment to the defence of our land.
- ❖ Please pray for those who are awaiting the results of medical tests. Calm anxious hearts and minds. Bring comfort as we place all our concerns in your loving hands saying, "Thy Will Be Done."
- ❖ Let us never take for granted the time given to the efficient administration of our Parish. Thank you, Elizabeth for your patience in trying times and a calm willingness and flexibility.
- ❖ Pray for the Alpha Course as they take part in the Holy Spirit weekend.
- ❖ Remind us the Lord's house is not merely the building where we gather to pray, but the people of God, the living body of Christ. May there be room in this house, among us, in our Christian communities, for all, whatever their personal situation. May almighty God bless you all.

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What's happening this week!

Hospitality this week: Group 3

Flowers this week: Alison Baistow

Monday 17th August

Rev Ansie's non-contact day

9:00am – 2:00pm WillowTree37

Tuesday 18th August

9:00 am – 2:00pm WillowTree37

Wednesday 19th August

10:00am - Wednesday in Wesley

11:00 am - Alpha - Killarney

1:00 pm - Wesley Bowls

3:00pm – Selah

4:00pm – Family Drug Support

6:30pm – Intergen Home Group

7:00pm – Beta Home Group

Thursday 20th August

9:00 am – 2:00 pm WillowTree37

9:15am – mainly music – Wck

5:00pm - Killarney Girls' Brigade

5:00 pm - Worship Team Practice Wck

Friday 21st August

9:00am – 11:30am Courtyard Coffee

9:00am – 2:00 pm WillowTree37

Flowers next week: Marg Adcock

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for every gift.

