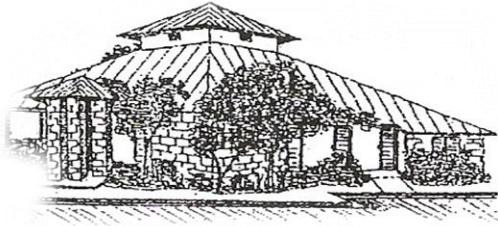


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KEEPING IN TOUCH

WELCOME! *We welcome all visitors with us today, and pray your time with us will be a blessed one.
Please stay and share morning tea with us after the Service.*

Kirwan's Mission Statement

**To be a people of God led by the Holy Spirit to practise and spread the love of Jesus Christ in the world
3rd March, 2019**

Worship Leaders for Today

Preacher: Pastor Richard Lance

Reader: John Short

Lectionary readings	Transfiguration
Ex 34: 29-35	Ps 99
1 Cor 3: 12: 4:2	Lk 9: 28-36 (37-43a)

Richard's Ramblings

Over a mug of tea and raisin toast at House of Jonah on Monday morning, discussion turned to the esoteric subject of when does the soul leave the body after death. We didn't come up with an answer, the bible is a bit contradictory on the topic, but considering eternal life prompted me to wonder how some of us (OK, me) will cope with sharing eternity with people who get on our (OK, my) nerves. Because I do get a teeny impatient with some people. Other drivers, for example, people who don't vote like me, or who watch reality TV, or use Microsoft and PCs instead of Macs, or who have (to my mind) weird tastes in music, or are vegetarian. We're all guilty to a degree of separating the world into people like us, and those unlike us, and the traits of people unlike us get on our nerves. But the apostle John points out (1 John 4:20) that "Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen." You might say that just because someone gets on your nerves, that doesn't mean that you hate them. But it's a short

journey from being mildly annoyed to marking them down as "Other", different to you, and "Other" people are easier to hate. CS Lewis said that the people we share the world with aren't "Other". Here, from Weight of Glory, "There are no ordinary people. You have never talked to a mere mortal...

It is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub and exploit...

Next to the Blessed Sacrament itself, your neighbour is the holiest object presented to your senses."

Holy, not to be hated. Sanctified, not to be scorned. Their foibles (and they're only foibles from my point of view) are God-given identifying marks deserving of love. So I'd better get into practice for eternity by doing more loving here.

Roster for 10th March, 2019

Preacher: Pastor Richard Lance

Reader: Chris Reid

Greeters: John Short

Door Steward: June George: Joy Rendall

Offering: Garry Davey: Greg Fraser

Announcement David B-T

Morning Tea: Jenny Warden: Maria Riis: Ruth
James

Flowers: Dominica Taumalolo

This Week's Calendar

Mon 4th: 9.00am Pastoral Care
 10.30am: House of Jonah
 7.30pm: Elders Meeting

Tues 5th: 9.30am: Fellowship

Wed. 6th 5.30pm: Music Group
 7.30pm: Bible Study Group

**Safe Ministry with Children Training
 Kirwan UC
 Saturday 23rd March 9am-12MD**
**Please let me know if you are interested
 in attending so we can provide you with
 a workbook.**

**Thanks
 Marie Dewar**

**Consultation Paper
 Voluntary Assisted Dying.
 Queensland SYNOD 2019**

We have been asked to circulate the consultation paper to our congregation. To assist this to happen there is a printed copy on the coffee table in the Foyer and a sheet where you can request an email copy or a printed copy. If you would like a copy please complete your name and email if you want an emailed copy, or just your name if you want a printed copy and obviously tick the appropriate column. You can reply in writing to the Consultation Group by the 9th March or attend one of the consultation forums.

**The Consultation Forum in our area will be held at:
 Aitkenvale Uniting Church, on 5th March
 at 11.30am to 1.00pm.**

**Kirwan AGM will follow the
 service on Sunday 10th March.**

**SENIORS FELLOWSHIP
 MORNING**



Cnr Bayswater Road & Mather Street

Date: 14th March, 2019
 STARTS AT 9.30AM
 SINGER - DR DAVYD POLKINGHORN
 "Senior Saints"
*All seniors are welcome
 Please come and bring your friends*

Golf

Lavarack Golf Club

Date: 16 March 2019 6.30am – 6.45am

Cost: \$20 (Green Fees & Donation)
 Morning Tea and Trophy Presentation
 at Wulguru Uniting Church - 9.45am

**If possible please send names/numbers
 By 12 noon Thursday, 14 March 2019
 to Kay Phone: 0409892795
 or email: wazz.kay@bigpond.net.au**

***You must have your Driver's
 Licence/Photo ID with you to be signed
 through the gate at Lavarack.***

***Please arrive early as we have to hit off well
 before the club competition.***

All proceeds to Mackay Patrol
 Join us and continue the good work done by Roy Backer for so many years.



Funeral Service for Mrs McGregor, mother of Margaret Fraser is to be held at Kirwan Uniting Church 2pm Tuesday 5th March. Would all Kirwan congregation members attending please bring a plate for Supper following service. Thank you