# **Kirwan Uniting Church**



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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.

### 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

# 13th September, 2020

Service Times: 8.30am and 10.00am Pastor: Dan Dubbeld

Lectionary readings Pentecost 15 Ex 14: 19-31 Psalm: 114 or

**Ex 15:** 1b-11;20-21

**Rom 14:** 1-12 **Mt 18:** 21-35

#### Ríchard's Ramble

I had morning tea this morning with one of our members who taught classics at high school. Bit of a giveaway for the cognoscenti, concerning who is/are the members. But that's not the point of this ramble. On the way back to the manse. I encountered a driver on the bypass (another giveaway) who didn't conform to Richard's worldview of how one should conduct oneself on the highway – a common enough occurrence. "Idiot", I thought to myself, perhaps even muttered aloud to myself. Quite a mild imprecation by my standards. Fleetingly, I remembered that Jesus tells us that we shouldn't call people a fool (Matthew 5), even to ourselves, but a) why change the habits of a lifetime, and b) that's not the point of this ramble, either. Then I got home, looked at Facebook as is my wont, to see a post by a NZ Anglican bishop (are there any other sorts?) of my acquaintance on the topic, inter alia, of the root of idiot, the Greek ἰδιώτης, idiotes, "a private citizen", borrowed by Latin to idiota and hence eventually to English. It wasn't a pejorative term in the early years of the Greek

language's development, but took on the overtones and even full meaning of today's English sense as philosophers came to understand that regarding the individual – the "private citizen" – as a sovereign island in the communal sea was no help to the individual nor the community. Anyone who thinks that a "man is an island, entire unto himself", as Donne puts it, is deluded, an "idiot". You know, when it comes to the punchline of these rambles, I'm constantly of the view "Wow, this is KUC to a T". Romans 12: 'For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.' We declare it sometimes at communion, depending on the liturgy du jour: 'We who are many, are one body, because we all share in the one bread.' Long may you display this KUC distinctive. I thank God for you all. (Just don't drive at 50 in an 80 zone ①)

### This Week's Calendar

Mon 14th<sup>:</sup> 9.30am: Pastoral Care

10.30am: House of Jonah.

Tues 15th: 9.30am: Craft Cards & Chitchat

7.00pm: COM meeting

**Bible Study Group** - will be in recess for the next 3 weeks.

We will resume on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

**Evening Service** – This Sunday 13th September at 5.30pm We will celebrate communion together.

# Roster for 20th<sup>h</sup> September, 2020

8.30am Service:

**Preacher**: Richard Lance **Greeters**: Sheree Bugden Announcement: Sheree Bugden

Morning Tea: Susan Burton: Anne B-T

Flowers: Pam Kennedy

### Roster for 20th September, 2020

10.00am Service

**Preacher:** Richard Lance **Greeters:** Kathy Reid

**Offering:** Trevor Nuss & Andrew Reid

**Announcement**: Anne Holmes



**Bunnings** Sausage Sizzle **Saturday** 19<sup>th</sup> September

We accepted Bunnings offer of a sausage \sizzle on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>, as if we turn them down we could end up at the bottom of a 2 year waiting list. The rules are quite demanding under COVID restrictions. We need 5 people in each 2 hour shift between 7.30 and 3.30. We don't have enough volunteers yet, although 11 people attended the training session at Bunnings, so we are about half way there. Please put your name down for a shift if you can help out. The roster will be at the church door on Sunday.

**COVID 19 UPDATE** 

Nothing much has changed in Queensland, but at the next CoM meeting we need to review our practices under the COVID industry plan. I fear that we have become a bit lax in some areas, such as social distancing. We have restarted volunteer rosters and the message we get from Synod is that a risk waiver is not enough so we will have to ask everyone to fill out a risk assessment form which we will keep completely confidential. Only a couple of us have done the TAFE training for safe service of food (it takes 15 minutes). It would really help if more people complete it, if you do any serving from the kitchen. The link to the TAFE course is at

https://ucaqld.com.au/coronavirus/trainingresources/ Please inform me or Anne BT if you complete it so that CoM can record the information. If you feel at all unwell please stay away from the church until you are better, and if in any doubt about what's wrong please

get a COVID test.

Thanks and blessings. David K

### Golf **Lavarack Golf Club**

19 September 2020 6.30am – 6.45am Date: Cost: \$20 (Green Fees & Donation) **Morning Tea and Trophy Presentation** at Wulguru Uniting Church - 9.45am Please send names and licence numbers by 11am Monday, 14 September 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 McKay Patrol

Join us and continue the good work done by Roy Backer for so many years.