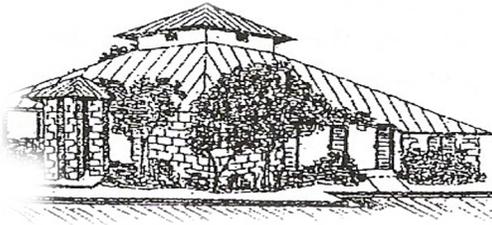


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KEEPING IN TOUCH

WELCOME! We welcome all visitors with us today, and pray your time with us will be a blessed one.

**We aspire to be a people of God led by the Holy Spirit
to practise and spread the love of Jesus Christ in the world**

14th February, 2021 Transfiguration

**We welcome Rev David Kelly RAAF
(but chaplain at 2RAR – if you think
that’s confusing, David deployed on a
RAN ship last year. Talk about tri-
service 😊) to be our preacher at 09:00**

Reader: Anne Holmes

**Psalms 20 and 50
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 4:2-9**

**5:30pm Peter Ireland leads our
Evening Service with Communion.**

RICHARD’S RAMBLE

Do you look at expiry/best before dates on stuff that you buy from a supermarket? We buy Mungalli Creek milk and yoghurt (Atherton Tablelands, support a North Queensland primary producer while you taste their crreamy goodness 🐄). I always check

the date, calculating whether we’ll get through a 2L bottle before expiry. Leisa says that I act as if it will explode on the date. While for soft cheese, especially Camembert and Brie, my view is that the best before date indicates when it’s just approaching eatability, the labels should read “Best after”. Our family shares tales, not entirely apocryphal, that were you to look in the back of my mother-in-law’s fridge (before she moved into a lovely nursing home) you’d find items priced in pounds, shillings and pence. Things today have built-in obsolescence. My favoured Apple, stops supporting products or operating systems while there’s still life left in them, because the company wants to force you onto the latest and greatest (and expensivest, if that’s a word). No expiry date on God’s love, mercy and grace. Perhaps a “best before”, but even that doesn’t square with “... so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son ...” In that world, obsessed with transient fashion, Deuteronomy 33 stands out counter-culturally:
The eternal God is your refuge,
and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Bible Study on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm. We're looking at the OT prophet Micah, whose words resonate today when public figures claim to seek God's will but blatantly defy it.

"... what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God".

Come along! Your pastor has eaten the group's Tim Tams, remind him to replace them.

ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2020

If you have responsibility for any meeting, group or activity in the church, please send a report in MS Word format to David King, Chair of the Church Council, at david.king@jcu.edu.au or/and kirwanunitingchurch@gmail.com David has sent reminders to everyone who submitted a report last year (including your recalcitrant editor/pastor, for whom this reminder is timely. Mea maxima culpa.) The AGM will be on March 8th after the 09:00 service.

Aitkenvale Uniting Church is holding a **Market Day** on Saturday March 20th. Contact Jayne Jackson 0416 257 798 if you know/hear of anyone who would like a stall.

Fellowship at 09:30 Tuesday. Everyone is welcome for fellowship, conversation, tea, coffee, cake (if you're lucky), biscuits (if the pastor hasn't eaten them) the odd game of cards ...

21 February 09:00am Lent 1B

Preacher David Beck
Reader Helen Beck

Psalm 25:1-10
Genesis 9:8-17
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

Greeter/Door Steward: Sheila V-P
Offering: Robin Warren & Trevor Nuss
Announcements: Sheila V-P
Morning Tea: Maria, Jenny & Ruth
Flowers: Tominica Taumulolo

The Kirwan Uniting Church "Regis" retirement village, monthly service will re-commence on Thursday 18 February at 9.30 am in the Regis Chapel

Please come and add support to this half hour service held for the benefit of residents. Regis cancelled all church services last March in the wake of the Covid threat and have now given their permission and blessing that such activities may return.

The support of members of our congregation would be very welcome.



"SORRY FOR THE LATE CALL... BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT TIME YOU CLOSE UP THERE."