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WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors with us today and pray your time with us will be a blessed one. Please stay for morning tea after the service.



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

9:00 am service - 05 September 2021

Preacher:	Richard Lance	1st Reading	Isaiah 35: 4 - 7
Reader:	David Palu	Psalm	Ps 146
Gospel	Mark 7: 24 - 37	2nd Reading	Jas 2:1-10, (11-13),14-17

Richard's Ramble - 05 September 2021

If you have studied sociology, anthropology, social anthropology, or sociology of religion, you'll have encountered the work of Margaret Mead (1901 – 1978). Much of her reputation-establishing research was conducted in our own back yard, in the Samoan Islands and PNG. "Coming of Age in Samoa" is perhaps her most well-known work. Not without controversy, she is still the foremost social anthropologist of the 20thC. So you might expect that she was something of an expert on early signs of civilisation in a culture. And those signs? Fishhooks or clay pots or grinding stones? No, said Mead, the first sign of civilisation in an ancient culture was a femur (thighbone) that had been broken and then healed.

She explains that in the animal kingdom, if you break your leg, you die. You cannot run from danger, get to the river for a drink or hunt for food. You are meat for prowling beasts.

No animal survives a broken leg long enough for the bone to heal. A broken femur that has healed is evidence that someone has taken time to stay with the one who fell, has bound up the wound, has carried the person to safety and has tended the person through recovery.

Helping someone else through difficulty is where civilisation starts.

By now, you'll be reminded of where you've heard or read something along similar lines. Yes, Luke 10: 'But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.'

As counter-cultural in Jesus' time as it too often is in our own. But it's the supreme mark of civilisation. And our healer/binder-up-of-wounds/carer tells us what to expect when we expend ourselves in caring for broken minds, souls and bodies: '... and when I return, I will reimburse you ...'

Roster for 12 September 2021

Preacher:	Rev Greg Rankin
Reader:	Anne Holmes
Greeter / Door Steward:	Kathy Reid
Offering:	David B.T Robin Warren
Announcements:	David B.T
Morning Tea:	Merril Green Chitra Madhavan
Flowers:	Tominica Taumalolo

Evening Service

Sunday 12th September at 5.30 pm in the church.
We will celebrate Communion together.

Week's Activities:

Mondays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ House of Jonah @ 10:30am ◆ Pastoral Care
Tuesdays	<p>⇒ FELLOWSHIP We will meet in the car park at Rossiter Park, Kimball Street, Aitkenvale @ 9.30 a.m. Come for a walk or just sit in the fresh air. BYO Morning Tea.</p> <p>⇒ All other Tuesdays Craft, Cards & Chitchat @ 9.30 am</p>
Wednesdays	Bible Study @ 7:30 pm
Thursday	Regis Service (When applicable)

Church Carpark Closure

The church carpark will be closed on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th September to allow for the removal of the old pavers and construction of a new concrete path.

Please avoid the construction areas on these days.

Thanks for your cooperation.

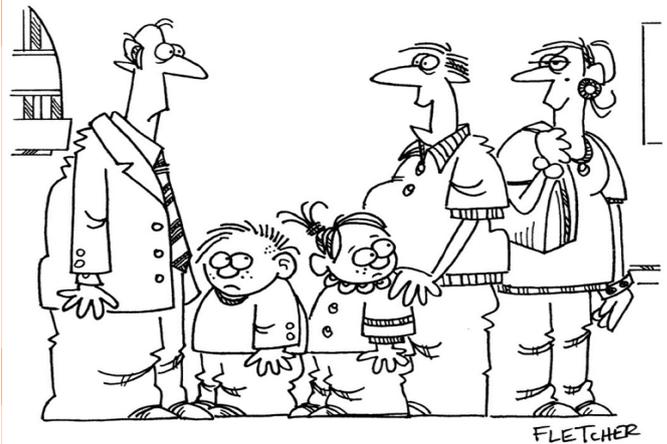
Peter Ireland

Christmas Gift Stall

Adam's mum, Julie Trezona, runs a Christmas gift stall at the Townsville Community Learning Centre in support of the school chaplain.

She is looking for donations of items of sewing, crochet, knitting, pot plants or any other items that the students can purchase for family members.

If you can help, please bring to church or phone Julie 0409 980 335 for a pickup by early November.



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TOWNSVILLE CASTLE HILL LIONS CLUB

TRIVIA NIGHT.



"Are You a Bright Spark"



Multi-Raffles



Lions Den — 38 Fleming St Aitkenvale

Friday 17th September

BBQ and Drinks — 6.30pm

Trivia Starts — 7.30pm

\$20 per Head — Inc BBQ

To give an idea for catering purposes
advise
numbers attending by Friday 10th September
2021

Contact Jenny Morris, Ph. 0415322117
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Get a team of 6 together
And show everyone."**



Multi-Raffles




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