



Presbytery Office NEW



Postal Address

PO Box 6071
Mackay MC Qld 4741

(07) 4068 8131

Office Hours

Mon Tues Wed & Frid
8.30am-1.30pm

Executive Assistant

Ana Mila
(07) 4068 8131

office@ucacarpentaria.com.au

Presbytery Minister Rural & Chairperson

Rev Garry Hardingham
0409 276 940
presminrural@ucacarpentaria.com.au

Presbytery Minister Pastoral & Coastal

Rev Christy Allen
0418 184 834
presmincoastal@ucacarpentaria.com.au

Presbytery Admin. Officer

Robyn Cooley 0429 195 506
admin@ucacarpentaria.com.au

Hospital Chaplains:

Cairns:

Rev Shane Kammermann
0409 287 109

Townsville:

Rev Barry Cox
0408 415 816

Pastoral Notes / Celebrations & Prayer Points

Please Pray For

1. Garry & Teresa Hardingham for wisdom, discernment, Godly solutions to difficult issues & protection as he travels around our Presbytery.
2. Peter & Christy Allen for wisdom, discernment, Godly solutions to difficult issues & protection as she travels around our Presbytery.
3. Robyn & Gavin Cooley, as she deals with the property & financial matters across our Presb.

Carpentaria Link Weekly Reflection

Sign Up and Share Your Reflection

Here is your opportunity to contribute to Carpentaria Link by offering a reflection. You can choose the date from the calendar found at https://www.ucacarpentaria.com.au/link_roster/link_roster_calendar.php

We would love to hear how God is working in and through you all.

Date Claimers

Northern Madness Camp – 23-26 Sept 2022

The Committee is looking for helpers for the Northern Madness Camp. They need volunteers to cook as well as camp leaders. Please call Rev Greg Rankin (Camp Coordinator) on 0413 787 626.

Reminder re Bush Chaplaincy Appeal

Due to rising fuels costs the Presbytery is holding an appeal to help the Kennedy Bush Chaplaincy and the Carpentaria Remote Bush Chaplaincy, with their ministry.

If you would like to support these important ministries, please send donations to accounts below:

Kennedy Bush Chaplain

Acct Name: UCA Kennedy Patrol

Acct # 412172554

BSB: 014-503

Carpentaria Remote Bush Chaplain

Acct Name: UCA McKay Patrol

Acct # 169408

BSB: 034-173

Blessings


Garry

Northern Madness Camp – 23-26 September 2022

Northern Madness camp is for all youth in grades 7-12 and will be held at Mount Louisa Community Church in Townsville from 23-26 September 2022. Registration is now open and closes on 11th September. Spread the word and support young people within your congregations and communities to attend.

Registrations: <https://www.ucacarpentaria.com.au/events/event1212.php>

What is authentic faith?
 camp for grades 7-12
 23-26 September '22
 Mount Louisa Community Church
 Townsville



Authenticity
Northern Madness

Guest Speaker
Nathan Randell
 Nathan works at YWAM (youth with a mission) and has done so for 5 years. He completed his DTS (discipleship training school) 10 years ago and has been involved with missionary trips and many roles at YWAM.

EXPLORE how to live out an authentic faith in Jesus
 ENJOY fun, games, activities and worship
 JOIN with other young people from North Queensland

only \$50pp

What does authentic faith look like?

SCAN ME

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/783167106179019>

For more information call 0413 787 626

Southern Zone Gathering – Mundingburra

Why: We stated at our most recent gathering that it would be good to gather for fun, fellowship and encouragement and that the invitation should be sent out to all congregations in the zone not just ministry agents and presbytery reps.

What: With that in mind we are offering an opportunity to gather for a BYO picnic at some time on Saturday, 8 October 2022. You can come when you want and leave when you need to however John Dansie and his children will be there from 2pm until 6pm (we'll have a BBQ tea around 5pm).

How: You can participate by showing up at some point in the afternoon and either bringing all your own stuff or making arrangements within your group or congregation.

When: Sat, 8 October between 2pm and 6pm

Where: Sherriff Park, Love Lane, Mundingburra <https://www.soe-townsville.org/parks/sherriff.html>

Who: At our recent zone gathering we remembered how well attended our pre COVID zone gatherings were. With that in mind the invitation is open to anyone who has a connection with the Southern Zone (congregations, Blue Care, ministry agents, lay people).

John Dansie

Time for Peace

A powerful activity on the International Day of Peace is the **Minute of Silence at 12 Noon on 17 September** in every time zone as it circles the globe. Gather with others, or just pause wherever you are to join with countless millions of peace lovers all over the world in the universal prayer ***“May Peace Prevail on Earth.”***



Barry's Thoughts

Where is your goat?

What sort of day are you having? In Hospital Chaplaincy I meet all kinds of people in all kinds of emotional dilemmas. Some treat you with respect and dignity and others because of pain or situation not as well. Everyone has a bad day and there is always someone that 'gets your goat'.

This expression came from a tradition in horse racing. A goat was placed in the horse's stall on the night before a race and this would have a calming effect on the horse. However unscrupulous opponents would then steal the goat in an effort to upset the horse and cause it to lose the race.

So 'gets your goat' - applies to someone who annoys you or makes you angry, upsets you.

Some days I can think the whole world is out to get me or the smallest things seem to irritate me and when I read Luke 14:26 I see the advantage of starting the day angry.

Luke 14:26 "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple."

But just because I have had a late night and everything seems wrong, I don't think Jesus meant us to be fuming mad all day – especially at those around us or even close family members or even at ourselves. Jesus had a way of turning a phrase upside down and giving it a new meaning.

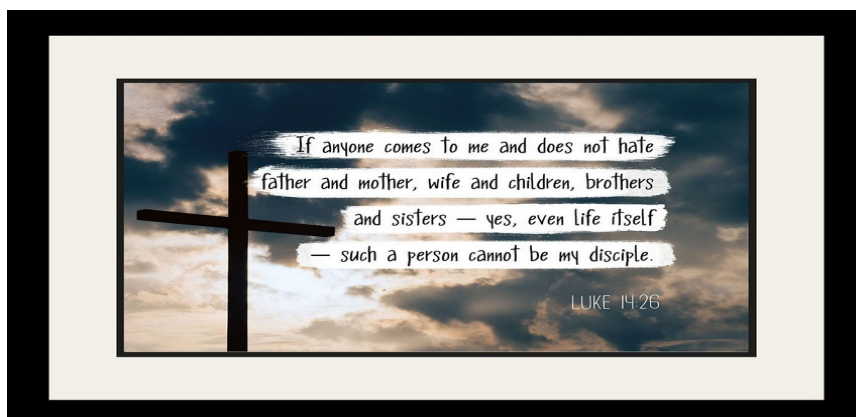
We are called to love one-another and treat enemies as we would friends. So, to hate parents, spouse, siblings and heirs was not what he was getting at – rather he was creating a priority of love or a ladder of obedience. Your relationship with Jesus was to be of the highest importance then out of that, God's Spirit would bless you with love, grace, mercy etc and your relationships with these other people would benefit. It was not a choice of one or the other but all being blessed.

Hence, maybe like the horse we need a 'goat' i.e. the Spirit of God beside us, surrounding us, indwelling in us to bring us to that place of peace so we will be at our best for the race ahead.

Almighty God, may your Spirit continue to infuse me with peace, so I will be more tolerant of others and be part of your grace sharing mechanism. Amen

Rev Barry Cox

Hospital Chaplain, Townsville Hospital



Synod News & Info.

Health & Wellbeing

Safety - Manual Tasks

Volunteers and workers across the church are regularly involved in tasks that require them to lift, lower, push, pull, carry or otherwise move, hold or restrain any person, animal or thing. When this involves repetitive movement, awkward posture, and sustained or sudden force, it can place stress on the body and lead to injury.

Before asking a worker to perform this type of work, it is recommended that a risk assessment ([Manual Task Risk Management Worksheet](#)) is undertaken. When doing the risk assessment, it is important to consider the following:

- Is the task necessary?
- Is the worker physically capable of performing the tasks?
- Whether the work area can be changed to reduce the strain on the worker,
- The use of available lifting aids, trollies or similar equipment; and
- Seeking assistance from other workers.

For more information on manual tasks, please see the [Hazardous manual tasks Code of Practice 2011](#) and [Manual Task Risk Management Worksheet](#)

If you have any further queries, don't hesitate to contact us at health.safety@ucaqld.com.au.

Safe Ministry with Children

A reminder for Child Safe Sunday on 4 September

A reminder to join Uniting Churches across Australia for Child Safe Sunday on 4 September. The National Safe Church Unit has developed [resources](#) for congregations to use in celebrating Child Safe Sunday. Please consider obtaining [permission](#) to share photos with us of the event from your congregation.

Children growing up safe and supported - Celebrate National Child Protection Week 4-10 September

The Uniting Church acknowledges that families are primarily responsible for their children's upbringing. We include families in our ways of working and make space for all people to voice concerns in relation to the safety of children. [Tools for Listening](#) is a resource developed by the National Safe Church Unit for congregations. Encourage children to [share](#) what they like best about their Church. Please consider obtaining [permission](#) to share photos of any activities or events from your congregation with us during National Child Protection Week.