

## **Duties for 19th February - Transfiguration of Jesus**

Preacher	Owen Smythe
Bible Reading	Barbara Dufty & Parriss Mc Dougall
Welcomer	Douglas Stewart
Offering/Banking	Bob Starling & Morven Cumberworth
Morning Tea	Pauline Wilding & Tina Davies

### **Lectionary Readings for 19th February**

*Exodus 24:12-18*  
*Psalm 2 or Psalm 99*  
*2 Peter 1:16-21*  
*Matthew 17:1-9*

**DIRECT GIVING** - Your offering can be set up to go directly from your bank account into the Church accounts and thus avoid the need to use the envelope system on a Sunday. A direct credit can be set up using the Church's Westpac working account BSB 032-524 Account number 12-1985 or by filling in a form to go to Uniting Financial Services. This form is available from Parriss McDougall.

## **Connect in Prayer**

- 13 February is National Apology Day, commemorating the day that the then Prime Minister officially apologised to the stolen generations of Indigenous peoples.
- 17 February is Random Acts of Kindness Day - As we commemorate this day and following the example of Jesus who was kind and generous, do something out of the ordinary for someone today. Commit that person and their family to prayer.
- 17 February is also the Connections outing on the Hawkesbury River. Pray for safety and a great time of fellowship for all as we experience part of Gods' beautiful world.

### **Submissions to the Newsletter**

Articles for the Weekly Newsletter should be submitted in writing by Wednesday.  
Email: morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au



## **MORISSET UNITING CHURCH**

**"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"**



### **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** **ISSUE 1301 12th February 2023**

Welcome to the "Church in the Trees" this morning. If you are a visitor, help us to get acquainted with you by signing the Visitors' Book & staying for a time of fellowship at Morning Tea after Worship. Please also collect our Information Brochure.

Children are especially welcome as we share stories and have an activity table at the front.

Preacher **Joan Horgan**  
Service 9:30am Sunday  
Church Ph: 0249 735554  
PO Box 533, Morisset, NSW 2264  
[www.morissetunitingchurch.org.au](http://www.morissetunitingchurch.org.au)  
Facebook: churchinthetreesmorissetuniting

Op Shop Ph: 0249 735967

Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell  
Ph: 49705359 or Mb: 0400 460770

**"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"**

## ***What's on This Week?***

### **Sunday 12th**

9.30am

### **Epiphany 6**

Worship

### **Tuesday 14th**

9.00am - 2.30pm  
10.00am

"The Branch" Op Shop is open  
Bible Fellowship

### **Wednesday 15th**

9.00am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

### **Thursday 16th**

9.00am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

### **Friday 17th**

Connections Outing

### **Saturday 18th**

8.00am

Prayer Breakfast

### **Sunday 19th**

9.30am

### **Transfiguration of Jesus**

Worship

---

## ***For You to Note***

### **PRAYER BREAKFAST**

The first for the year 2023! Saturday, 18 February commencing at 8 am and concluding at 9am in the church hall. All are welcome to kick off the new year with fellowship, prayer and breakfast. Please add your name to the sign-on sheet in the foyer.

### **BIBLE FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Meets 10 am this Tuesday 14 February at Barbara Dufty's home. Study #5 in the book of James, and as there will only be one more study, your suggestions for the next study will be welcome. If anyone wants to join this group, see Barbara. Newcomers need not be worried about participating, for it is a group where people contribute their thoughts as they wish, or sometimes just listen. And there is always time to enjoy a friendly cuppa afterwards.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP NOTES** - The meeting started off the year with looking at a number of commitments in the coming months, including World Day of Prayer 3rd March, the induction of Rev Nancy Brawn 29th April, the Presbytery Gathering which we are hosting 15th May, and the church concert 28th May. Our devotional on "Memories" led to interesting discussion.

### **PREACHERS FOR FEB/MAR:**

19 Feb - Owen Smythe

26 Feb - Pat Coster

5 Mar - Ron Loom

12 Mar - Stephen Downie (guest preacher)

19 Mar - Cathie Smythe

26 Mar - Rev Nancy Brawn

### **YOUR SAY ON PARKING**

Over the last 12 months, with all the rain and frequent use of the carpark beside the hall, the surface has degraded to the extent that we need to do something about it. On a noticeboard in the foyer are 4 options to remedy the problem. Before we go ahead and get quotes we need to get an idea of which option, or another one, is the preferred one. You can record your preference by writing on a piece of paper next to the board a drop it in the box provided, or speak to a Church Councillor.

### **THE RIVERBOAT POSTMAN** - Friday 17th February 2023.

Enjoy the magnificent scenery of the lower Hawkesbury River by boat. Morning tea and lunch included.. Boarding 9:45 am at Brooklyn Warf. Travel by train or car. Senior's discount \$54 per person. Details on fliers in the church foyer. Bookings Phill Hart 4973 6441 or 0410 604 730

### **INTERDENOMINATIONAL SERVICE FOR SRE TEACHERS**

This service will be held at the Morisset Branch of the Salvation Army, corner of Marconi Road and Station Street on Sunday, 26th February beginning at 6pm. At this service we will meet the new High School teacher, Warren Eckerman and he and the primary school teachers will be prayed for. We will hear from the SLCEA President, Barry Hill and the Primary Coordinator, Desiree Sleight. You are very welcome to attend and support our local SRE teachers.

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Friday 3 March at 10 am at the Salvation Army church in Station Street. The focus this year will be Taiwan. A warm invitation is extended to all.

**WELCOME:** We welcome Rev Nancy Brawn and her family to the Manse. They have moved in and are getting settled, but Nancy is on Long Leave for the month, so we are giving them some space and time together before she begins her ministry. During March and April Nancy will be carrying out Supply for Cessnock, (which was already arranged before we began discussions) and during that time will take one service for us each month, before she begins her actual placement with us in May.