

## What's on This Week?

<b>Sunday 23rd</b>	<b>Advent 4</b>
9.30am	Worship
<b>Monday 24th</b>	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
5.30pm	Children's Service
<b>Tuesday 25th</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>
8:30am	Christmas Day Service
<b>Sunday 30th</b>	<b>Christmas 1</b>
9.30am	Worship

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## For You to Note

### CHRISTMAS WORSHIP "HEAR THE STORY"

**Sunday 23rd** - 9.30am as normal

#### Christmas Eve 24th

- 5.30pm all age worship + 'stations' + Carols + 'Zoooper Dooper' ice blocks

#### Christmas Day 25th

- 8.30am worship , Carols, story and contemporary celebration

**MOVIE OUTING "BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY"** - Tuesday 8 January at Lake Cinema, Boolooroo. Starts at 4 pm, so if anyone would like to come along and car pool, meet at the church 3 pm. For more information, phone Barbara 4973 6098 or Ron 4977 2985.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** - Will meet 7 pm on 22 January.

**USED SPECTACLES & SUNGLASSES** - Laraine Jones advises that total used glasses sent to Lyons Recycle 4 Sight Appeal in 2018 amounted to 215. (Amazingly just 2 less than in 2017). Thanks to Laraine for collecting them from our Church & perhaps we can send more next year.

### WORSHIP LEADERS DURING JANUARY 2019

Jan 6th Rev. Rob Hanks

Jan 13th Rev. Rob Hanks

Jan 20th Rev. Joan Horgan

Jan 27th Barbara Dufty

### ANNUAL LEAVE

Rev. Rob Hanks will be on annual leave from 14th to 31st January 2019

### ROSTERS FOR JANUARY

Date	Jan 6th	Jan 13th	Jan 20th	Jan 27th
<b>Reader/s</b>	Douglas & Cathie	Shirley & Phillip	Cathie & Ron	Anne & Phill H
<b>Welcomer</b>	Bronwyn	Lesley	Douglas & Pam	Sue K
<b>Table/Offering</b>	Hazel Rolfe	Elaine K	Hazel S	Joan Horgan
<b>Banking</b>	Lindsay & Bob	Bruce & Carol B	Margaret A & Max	Max & Valda
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Lenise & Robyn	Pauline & Leanne	Peter & Lesley	Cathie & Elaine K
<b>Communion</b>	Winston Phillip K & Val Sloey			

### THANKYOU FOR THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

With the Newsletter taking a break in January we say thankyou to John Ward for his tireless design and editing in 2018!! It's a lot of work to convert material provided into coherent and up to date weekly information and reminders!! Thankyou also to Dianne James for photocopying each Sunday morning!! From Rev. Rob Hanks on behalf of the whole congregation

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO TEACH SCRIPTURE IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

Volunteers are urgently needed to teach Scripture lessons in government primary schools in 2019. Can you help by teaching one or more half-hour lessons per week? Please don't leave a class without a Scripture teacher. For more information please contact Cathie Smythe (cathie52@bigpond.com) or John Cox (4973 4662).

**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 debit 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 Owen Smythe.

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## **Duties for 30th December - Christmas 1**

Bible Reading	Gordon & Sharon
Welcomer	Shirley
Table & Offering	Rob Currey
Banking	Peter & Hazel R
Morning Tea	Elizabeth & Graeme

### **Lectionary Readings for 30th December**

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26  
Psalm 148  
Colossians 3:12-17  
Luke 2:41-52

## **Connect in Prayer**

### **REFUGEE CRISIS**

Pray for those working to solve the worldwide refugee crisis and for those suffering in indefinite detention.

**PRAYER FOR THE NATION** - Pray for God and the Son to be Exalted and Glorified in His Church, in our nation and in our lives. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fall on us in a fresh way and in our nation resulting in a great spiritual awakening.

### **Submissions to the Newsletter**

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



## **MORISSET UNITING CHURCH**

**"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"**



### **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** **ISSUE 1163 23rd December 2018**

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, there's an activity table at the front, needing only to taken to the Foyer if you feel they are distressed.

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Service 9:30am Sunday  
Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact Rev Joan Horgan 49736135

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