

## CHURCH TODAY

14 July

**9.30am:** Dale

*Who fears the Lord? Jon 1*

**Bible Readings:**

Jonah 1.1-17; Ps 139.1-12;  
Mark 10.13-16; Matt 21.28-32

**5pm John**

*The God Who Hears*

**Bible Readings:**

1 Pet 3:8-12; Luke 18:1-8

### NEXT WEEK

21 July

**9.30am:** Dale

*A Watery Prayer Jon 2*

**Bible Readings:**

Jon 1.17 – 2.10; Psalm 130;  
Acts 14.1-7; Lk 18.1-8

**5pm John**

*Prayer to our Father*

**Bible Readings:**

Gal 4:1-7; Mark 14:32-42

### The Prayer of the Week

Eternal God, you have taught us through Christ that love is the fulfilment of the law: help us to love you with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength, and our neighbour as ourself; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

"I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.... how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; ... They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day ... he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ... everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." Acts 10.34

## The Church on the Rise St Mark's Bassendean

### Sunday Meetings

Every Sunday

**9.00am Prayer Time**

**9.30am Family Communion**

including Children's Ministry (Godly Play) in term time

**5pm *Alive@5***

*Learning from the Word: Practising by the Spirit*

*Meet, Eat, Praise, Practise, Pray*

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### Bank Account

*We encourage people to use direct deposit or direct debit*

Anglican Community Fund Westpac

**BSB:** 036 810 **A/c No:** 300070717

**Name:** Anglican Parish Bassendean.

*Please identify payment, ie offering.*

*No need to use your name if you prefer not.*

*More info from Jenny*



CHURCH ON THE RISE

## Welcome to ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

*Discovering and demonstrating Jesus' love  
in Bassendean and beyond.*

14 July 2019

### Grumpy messengers

Today we start reading the story of Jonah the reluctant prophet. Well, a bit more than reluctant, positively grumpy. Or was he afraid? As soon as he was told to go to Nineveh he got on a boat going in the opposite direction. Maybe he thought he wouldn't get much of a hearing from them. Perhaps he thought he was being sent on a fool's errand, like the apprentice looking for a left handed screw-driver – only more dangerous.

Or maybe he just didn't like the Ninevites. Maybe he thought they deserved whatever was coming to them. After all they were hardly Israel's favourite friends. A bad people, with bad religion and bad customs, that didn't deserve any help or mercy – especially not from Israel's God.

Unfortunately for Jonah he was sent by the Lord God, the God of heaven who made the sea and the dry land. Not much hope of escape from him. Not by sea, or land, or air. The Lord was a much greater threat to Jonah than the Ninevites.

So eventually the Lord persuades Jonah to go to Nineveh – which he does. But not happily. Even though they respond to his preaching and repent. In fact he is very angry. He admits the reason he fled in the first place – it was because he knew that the Lord was "gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love".

That's what made him angry. God wasn't going to punish the Ninevites as Jonah said he would. God changed his mind – because they changed theirs and turned from their wickedness.

Then God plays out a little parable to Jonah. Provides a shady tree and then lets it die. Jonah is happy when the tree shades him and is angry when the tree is eaten by a worm. And it wasn't even his tree. He didn't plant it, or water it, or tend it.

But Nineveh. God was concerned for it: for the 120,000 people who lived there – and their animals. God had made them, and was watching over them. He was giving them an opportunity to change their ways and escape his judgment.

Because he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. As he still is. And if he cared for bad Nineveh, does he not care also for bad Perth and does he not still send his messengers to turn them from their wicked ways?

Dale

## WELCOME

**Welcome** to St Mark's. We are an active Anglican church of all ages and walks of life, seeking to grow in the likeness of Christ and welcome new members and visitors

Please relax and enjoy the worship and fellowship. Are you **new to this church**? Please make yourself known to one of the ministers or service leaders. You may also like to complete and return the **Welcome Form**.

The **Order of Service** may be followed on the screen.

**Children** are welcome. Ministries to children (Godly Play) take place during the service in term time.

The **toilets** are located in the church hall.

The **Holy Communion** is open to all believers. Visitors are welcome to receive Communion if they normally take it in their own church. Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the minister when you come to communion. If you would like some people to **pray for you**, our **Prayer Team** is available during Communion at the east end of the church, near the stained glass window, or they can pray for you where you sit.

**After the service** please join us for tea or coffee and a chat in the hall.

## MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers

### Bush Church Aid Society



Thank you to the parishioners who readily accepted the BCA Winter copies of "The Real Australian" magazines distributed a few weeks ago.

By now you may have read articles about BCA field staff serving God and His people in remote regions of Australia. Across 100 years (1919-2019) every State has received BCA staff into parishes which would otherwise not have happened. The good news of Jesus has been broadcast in "the bush" where local believers were too few to afford a pastor.

The only reason BCA staff could minister in these areas was because other Anglicans donated generously to provide payment for the salaries and the resources needed to enable BCA to exist for 100 years.

And for BCA to continue what will need to happen? Answer: further gifts. BCA has had a 2019 Mid-Year Appeal to raise \$200,000 to reach rural Australia for Christ. If you would like to help please use a donation form from the BCA Box on the table at the back of the church.

**If you would like more information please ask me. Murray**

## Church Council Call for Prayer and Wisdom

Our new Council met yesterday and spent a long time discussing the future of paid ministry at St Mark's. Council has been working towards being able to employ a full time minister from next year. However our giving is discouraging. So we are asking everyone at St Mark's to spend the next month in prayer about two matters:

**One** is to consider which of these four kinds of ministers we think the Lord is leading us to employ:

- a) a half time retired locum
- b) an honorary retired locum and a full time trainee ordained curate
- c) a half time retired locum and a half time lay family and youth minister
- d) a full time active minister

The **second** is to ask the Lord to supply enough money for us to give to achieve this.

In August Council will invite all of us to meet to share what we think the Lord is calling us to.

### Children in Church Team

Would you like to help develop our Sunday morning meetings so that children can be included and share in the ministry more helpfully? This new Team will not only help us develop occasional services but also help with the many services when children are present for the whole time (ie when there is no Godly Play). If you think the Lord might be calling you to this ministry please speak to Dale.

### Jonah Sermons in July

July 14: **Who Fears the Lord?** Jonah 1

July 21: **A Watery Prayer** Jonah 2

July 28: **The Surprise Turning** Jonah 3

Aug 4: **Mercy Grace and Anger** Jonah 4

A Reading Guide is available to help you read through Jonah and prepare for the sermons.

### Alive@5 Sermons on Prayer

Starting tonight John will preach a series of four sermons on Prayer.

Tonight: **The God Who Hears**

### John Yates at Rockingham

John is providing Sunday morning locum services at Rockingham during July. He will at Alive@5 as usual

### Sermons on YouTube and Audio

Can now be heard and watched on our website

[stmarksbassendean.church](http://stmarksbassendean.church)

**DEADLINE: 5pm each Wednesday** for notices for this pewsheet, email Update, or the Sunday Powerpoint slides. Please ring, email or sms Dale.

### St Mark's Mission Projects (and Reps)

**Barnabas Fund** (John Y); **CMS** (Joy); **BCA** (Murray); **SU** (Ros);

**AFES ECU Mt Lawley** (David); **TEAR Fund** (Denese Playford)

## Weekday Meetings

### Weekly

#### Mondays

7.00pm **Women's Study Group**

**Contact** Donna 0401 615819

#### Tuesdays

9.30am **Mainly Music Resumes**

**July 23**

**Contact** Talia Elsing

6.30pm **Men's Bible Study Grp**

**Contact** John Yates

#### Wednesdays

10am **Coffee & Chat**

**Contact** Jenny Murray

4pm **Choir Practice**

6pm **Youth Bible Study** (2weekly)

**Contact** David Elsing

### Monthly

#### Sundays

**Church in the Park** St Matthew's

4pm on 1st Sunday

#### Mondays

**Mothers' Union**

1pm on 3rd Monday

**Contact** Pat Hoy

#### Thursdays

**Contemplation, Conversation & Coffee**

10.30am on the 3rd Thursday

**Contact** Eileen Bouwman

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#### Saturdays

**Men's Breakfast**

8am on 3rd Saturday

**Contact** Roger

**Guildford Men's Breakfast**

8am on 1st Saturday

**Messy Church** at St Matthew's

4pm on 4th Saturday

*Corrections and additions to Dale*

**94kg**

of rice given to needy refugees. Thank you to St Mark's parishioners.