

CHURCH TODAY

25 August

9.30am: John Yates

Prayer to our Father

Bible Readings:

Isa 63:7-16; Ps 103:1-14;
Gal 4:1-7; Mark 14:32-42

5pm Dale

Prayer for Workers

Bible Readings:

Col 1.9-14

NEXT WEEK

1 September

9.30am: John Yates

Prayer with Jesus

Bible Readings:

Hos 11:1-11; Ps 69:1-18;
Heb 7:11-25; John 17:20-26

5pm Dale

Prayer for Evangelists

Bible Readings:

Eph 6.18-20; Acts 4.23-30

The Prayer of the Week

Loving Father, with the prayer your Son taught us always on our lips, we ask, we seek, we knock at your door: help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, and so to knock that the door of mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

I will tell of the kindnesses of the Lord,
the deeds for which he is to be praised,
according to all the Lord has done for us—
yes, the many good things he has done for Israel,
according to his compassion and many kindnesses.
He said, "Surely they are my people,
children who will be true to me";
and so he became their Savior.
Isaiah 63.7

Godly Play this week: Exile & Return

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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St Marks Bassendean YouTube



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We encourage people to use direct deposit or direct debit

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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.*

25 August 2019

Prayer and Love

The Christian experience of prayer is polarised. Whilst some folk attest they "love to pray", most will never claim such an exalted experience. Our reference point however isn't one another, but Jesus. His frequent prayers (Luke 3:21; 6:12; 9:18, 29; 11:1; 22:41; 23:34 etc.) testify he loved to pray. The connection between prayer and love is a foundational one. St Augustine said, "Prayer is the measure of love." and spiritual writer François Fenelon commented, "He who loves much, prays much." This is surely true, but a great danger in promoting prayer is that we will give the priority to our love for God rather than God's love for us. only by turning to the life and words of Jesus can we gain true perspective.

Before the Son loved the Father, in prayer, he knew he was loved by the Father (John 10:17). And he said much the same about us, "her many sins have been forgiven; that's why she loved much. But the one who is forgiven little, loves little." (Luke 7:47). The more we have an experience of God's all forgiving love the more we love him in return and pray! The New Testament is clear on this, "God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.... Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all.... In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins." (Rom 5:8; 2 Cor 5:14; 1 John 4:10).

Last week I spoke with a young man struggling to turn away from looking at his phone when he wakes up so he can begin the day in prayer, and another brother fasting from "screens" (phone, TV, computer) to pray. Sincere Christian people find it easier to connect with inconsequential things than to engage with the eternal value of prayer because they lack a revelation of God's infinite love for them personally. When we experience the costly limitless affection of the Father in forgiving us in Christ our heart's affection floods back to him in prayer. This explains why my experience in prayer is to delight in the limitless goodness of God in Christ and the most important part of my life. Pray for a revelation of gospel love. This is the key to prayer.

John

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

ECU Christian Union Mt Lawley



Your prayers for students to get involved and engaged will be really appreciated and helpful.

Also prayers for unsaved students to come to know Jesus, through Bible studies, the Mark Drama and the CU stalls. Praise God for new and returning group members.

Please pray for students to turn up regularly and be nurtured in faith and fellowship. Pray that they may truly "know the hope of eternal life" (1:1), "live self-controlled, upright and godly lives" (2:12) "so that in every way they will make the teaching about God our Saviour attractive" (2:10)

Please give thanks and pray for all the staff workers, apprentices and admin staff who serve so faithfully all around our nation. Pray that God, by his grace, will use all our efforts for the salvation of many souls, and may it be to the praise and glory of his Son.

More info from David

Mission Project Giving

Each month the Church Council sets aside 10% of our giving, and divides it equally between our 6 Mission Projects. You are able to give on top of this amount by earmarking gifts to any of the Mission Groups. See Jenny for more info. Or one of the Reps if you would like to know more about a particular Mission. One reason we have Mission Reps is because we want people to know about the Missions we contribute to, and to pray and support them in other ways.

Welcome

Today we welcome Toni Ollis who is the AFES staffworker at ECU Mt Lawley

Family Service

Children will be in church again next Sunday Sep 1 for a special service. Invite your friends.

Church Council Call for Prayer and Wisdom

Church Council is asking everyone at St Mark's to pray 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. The last three of these options will all cost the same amount. The meeting to share what we think the Lord is calling us to will be on 8 September. Please keep praying

Four Morning Sermons on Prayer

A study guide is available to help us prepare for the sermons.

Praying with the Father Son and Holy Spirit

18 Aug

The God who Hears

25 Aug

Prayer to our Father

1 Sep 19

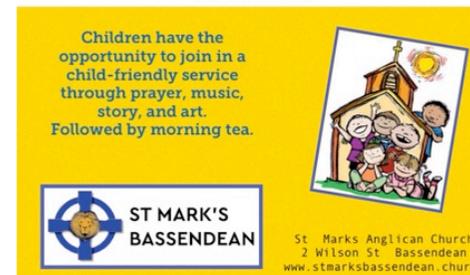
Prayer with Jesus

8 Sep 19

Praying in the Spirit



Sunday 1st September
9.30am



Sermons on YouTube and Audio

Can now be heard and watched on our website

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**
Contact Talia Elsing or Joy

6.30pm **Men's Bible Study Grp**
Contact John Yates

Wednesdays

10am **Coffee & Chat**
Contact Jenny Murray

4pm **Choir Practice**

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

Youth Bible Study (2weekly)
Contact David Elsing

Corrections and additions to Dale