

CHURCH TODAY

26 January

9.30am: Dale

Answers to Questions 2:
Slavery Sex &
the 10 Commandments

Bible Readings:

Is 9.1-4; Ps 27.1-10;
1 Cor 1.10-18; Mt 4.12-25

5pm Resumes next week

NEXT WEEK

2 February

9.30am: Dale

Answers to Questions 3:
Imagination, Truth, Faith &
Prayer

Bible Readings:

Is 55.6-13; Ps 1; Rom 5.1-11;
Jn 15.1-8

5pm Dale

The Prayer of the Week

O God the strength of all those who put their trust in you: mercifully accept our prayers, and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praying Together This Week

- Help to live & share the gospel
- Those who are unwell
- Christians being persecuted
- For people to come to Christ
- Church Council meeting Feb 8
- Our ministry with children & young people
- Australian governments
- Australian people to care for one another
- The gospel to grow in Australia
- Families to join us
- Ministries to children & young people

No Godly Play this week:

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* Resumes next week

Learning from the Word: Practising by the Spirit
Meet, Eat, Praise, Practise, Pray

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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.

26 January 2020

Heaven

We are not living in a world where all roads are radii of a circle and where all, if followed long enough, will therefore draw gradually nearer and finally meet at the centre: rather in a world where every road, after a few miles, forks into two, and each of those into two again, and at each fork you must make a decision. Even on the biological level life is not like a river but like a tree. It does not move towards unity but away from it and the creatures grow further apart as they increase in perfection. Good, as it ripens, becomes continually more different not only from evil but from other good.

I do not think that all who choose wrong roads perish; but their rescue consists in being put back on the right road. A wrong sum can be put right: but only by going back till you find the error and working it afresh from that point, never by simply going on. Evil can be undone, but it cannot 'develop' into good. Time does not heal it. The spell must be unwound, bit by bit, 'with backward mutters of dissembling power'— or else not.

It is still 'either-or'. If we insist on keeping Hell (or even earth) we shall not see Heaven: if we accept Heaven we shall not be able to retain even the smallest and most intimate souvenirs of Hell. I believe, to be sure, that any man who reaches Heaven will find that what he abandoned (even in plucking out his right eye) has not been lost: that the kernel of what he was really seeking even in his most depraved wishes will be there, beyond expectation, waiting for him in 'the High Countries'.

In that sense it will be true for those who have completed the journey (and for no others) to say that good is everything and Heaven everywhere. But we, at this end of the road, must not try to anticipate that retrospective vision. If we do, we are likely to embrace the false and disastrous converse and fancy that everything is good and everywhere is Heaven.

CS Lewis. *The Great Divorce*.

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

Scripture Union



SU WA is a movement of passionate Christians belonging to over 250 churches. We long to see children and young people experience the love of Jesus in relationship and community and to have the opportunity to come to know and follow Him. Furthermore, for young people to grow in their walk with Jesus and in Christian leadership as they serve and are trained.

Check out this little snapshot of the impact we've had in the lives of children and young people as we live this out together:

- 83% of young people who attend an SU camp have said they've grown significantly closer to God as a result.
- 85% of attendees on LEAD Camp feel more confident, equipped and empowered as a Christian leader through camp.

Praise God for this work He is doing in the lives of children and young people!

Give thanks for the many Beach Missions and Camps that happened all around Australia

Money from programs covers some costs, but we cannot do this work without the support of people like you.. Let's pray together for God's faithful provision for His work.

More info from Ros

Answers to your Questions

Jan 26

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9 February

Answers to Questions 4: Church, Congregation, Club or Mission

Bible Readings: Ex 17.1-7; Ps 22.22-31; Eph 2.11-22;

Matt 16.13-20

Lenten Studies 2020

God's Great Announcement

Week ending

16 Feb 20

God's Great Announcement

23 Feb 20

Jesus' Great Announcement

1 Mar 20

Isaiah's Great Announcement

8 Mar 20

Jesus' Strange Secret

15 Mar 20

Announcing Jesus' Victory over the Great Enemy

22 Mar 20

Proclaiming the Lord of All

29 Mar 20

Announcing a Death for All

5 Apr 20 Passion Sun

The Power of God's Great Announcement

10 Apr 20 Good Friday

Announcing our Death

12 Apr 20 Easter

The Announcement that Saves

Study booklets will be available next week

Youth Bible Study

We are thankful for the love and care David (and Talia) Elsing have had in ministering to our young people. David is taking a break from that ministry. Instead Andrew Partington will lead a Bible study group for young people - starting soon. Other social activities will be organised from time to time.

Alive@5 resumes next Sunday

Learning from the Word:

Practising by the Spirit

Meet, Eat, Praise,

Practise, Pray

An informal meeting of praise

prayer teaching and fellowship

All welcome

Weekday Meetings

Weekly

Mondays

7.00pm Women's Study Group

Contact Donna 0401 615819

Tuesdays

9.30am Mainly Music

Contact Talia

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

Guildford Men's Breakfast

8am on 1st Saturday

Men's Breakfast

8am on 3rd Saturday

Contact Roger

Messy Church at St Matthew's

4pm on 4th Saturday

Youth Bible Study (2weekly)

Contact Andrew Partington

Corrections and additions to Dale

Deadline for notices: 5pm Wednesday