

CHURCH TODAY

15 March

9.30am: John

**Announcing Jesus' Victory
over the Great Enemy**

Bible Readings:

Gen 3.1-20; Ps 96; Col 2.8-15;
Jn 12.20-33

5pm Dale

**Grace for a Troubled
Church**

Joel 2.12-17

NEXT WEEK

22 March

9.30am: Dale

Proclaiming the Lord of All

Bible Readings:

Is 44.6-8; Ps 95; Acts 2.22-41;
Matt 28.16-20

5pm John

The Prayer of the Week

Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people, and sent your son Jesus to lead us out of slavery; free us from the tyranny of sin and death and, by the leading of your Spirit, bring us to your everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen .

Praying Together This Week

- Help to live & share the gospel
- Those who are unwell
- Christians being persecuted
- Christians in Iran
- For people to come to Christ
- Church Council
- Deepening of our spiritual life through Lenten Studies
- Australian governments
- The gospel to grow in Australia
- Families to join us
- Ministries to children & young people
- Mainly Music

Godly Play this week: The Faces of Easter

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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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.*

15 March 2020

Jesus' Victory over the Great Enemy

The first Christians believed that the sphere between earth and heaven was ruled by demons (Eph 2:2) and that the Roman emperor was a "beast" (Rev 13) ultimately controlled by Satan. They lived continually on a war footing. Hence the exhortation, "Fight the good fight of the faith." (1 Tim 6:12). Such attentiveness to spiritual conflict has always been part of Church life where the kingdom of God is growing.

Luther's great hymn, A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, contains lines like these, "For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow'r are great, and, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal." When severely tempted the Reformer shouted, "I am baptized! I continue to be baptized!" This wasn't using baptism as a charm but enacting faith in dying with Christ in baptism (Rom 6:4). The Reformers accepted following Jesus means living daily on the battlefield. This truth has numerous implications.

Paul exhorts the Church to, "take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one" (Eph 6:16). This reminds me of the "Roman tortoise", where soldiers interlock their shields to form a protective wall around and above them impervious to missiles. When the whole Church prays for the whole Church the schemes of the devil will always be exposed (Eph 6:11). Unconditional forgiveness appears in scripture as a precondition for such triumphs (Matt 6:12-13; 2 Cor 2:10-11). Is there anyone you can think of that you have not fully and finally forgiven? The complete victory of God is summed up in the expression, "the blood of the cross", for blood brings forgiveness and cleansing (Matt 26:28; Heb 9:22).

Through Christ's blood we have atonement, justification (Rom 3:25; 5:9), redemption (Eph 1:7), reconciliation (Col 1:20) and access to the holy places in heaven (Heb 10:19). From these places of intimacy with God and spiritual authority the devil has been "thrown down" once and for all (Rev 12:9-10). This realm is free from temptation, disease, conflict and every demonic torment, for it is the realm of the glorified Christ, the triumphant saints and the holy angels. Here are found the resources needed to enact on earth Jesus' complete victory over the world, the flesh and the devil. Let us enter this realm by faith.

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 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

Church Missionary Society



"CMS WA is an exciting place to be. God is pushing us significantly beyond the limit of our historical capacity to send workers into the harvest." David Greeff, state director 2017.

The WA branch of CMS is currently supporting 12 WA missionaries:

Pray that these gospel workers would have opportunities to share Jesus with their neighbours and colleagues in the countries in which they are serving

- pray that those engaged in theological education would equip Christian leaders for their churches and for their society
- pray for the light of Christ to shine through them
- pray for Britt especially that the Lord would answer her prayers for her various friends

More info from **Joy**

Coronavirus and Church

It seems Covid-19 will soon be spreading within Perth not just being imported. Here are some suggestions that might help us reduce the spread.

1. Shaking hands is an excellent way to spread the virus. If you wish to shake hands at the peace please use hand sanitiser before and after. If you don't wish to shake hands please use some other gesture as an alternative.
2. Bring your own hand sanitiser and use it before and after the peace and when you come to Communion. There is also a dispenser at the back of the church.
3. The Archbishop strongly advises that only the bread be received in Communion. So for the time being we will only administer the bread.
4. We will also serve morning tea differently.

Women Together
Saturday March 21 2-4pm Speaker: Keren Masters
More info from Verna or Donna



Church Council News

Church Council has agreed to conceptual plans for the refurbishment of the kitchen. We will now ask for quotes and hopefully work will begin soon.

Annual General Meeting

will be held on Sunday June 28 after church

New Minister

The wardens will meet with Bishop Jeremy in April and the Council will meet with the Archbishop when she visits to discuss future possibilities.

St Mark's Giving 19-20

	ENVELOPES	DIRECT GIVING	OPEN	TOTAL GIVING	OTHER	TOTAL INCOME	EXPENDITURE
May	5,760	2,575	1,322	9,657	2,470	12,127	9,441
June	4,046	856	852	5,754	2,850	8,604	8,642
July	3,794	3,160	1,984	8,938	1,364	10,302	6,270
August	5,432	2,256	2,026	9,714	2,107	11,822	10,863
September	5,610	3,333	1,315	10,258	7,480	17,738	9,885
October	5,374	2,991	1,834	10,199	4,508	14,707	9,426
November	4,218	2,557	1,467	8,242	1,470	9,712	8,931
December	5,088	2,987	2,017	10,092	1,280	11,372	7,806
January	4,637	2,374	1,821	8,832	1,385	10,217	5,271
February	3,845	3,041	1,081	7,967	1,920	9,887	12,853

Weekday Meetings

Weekly

Mondays

8.00am Prayer time
Contact: Andrew Partington

10.00am Lenten Study Group at the church
Contact Dale

7.00pm Women's Study Group
Contact Donna 0401 615819

Tuesdays

9.30am Mainly Music
Contact Talia, Joy or Donna

6.30pm Men's Bible Study Grp
Contact John Yates

Wednesdays

4pm Choir Practice

Monthly

Mondays

Mothers' Union

1pm on 3rd Monday
Contact Pat Hoy

Thursdays

Contemplation, Conversation & Coffee

10.30am on the 3rd Thursday
Contact Eileen Bouwman 92791279

Fridays (1st & 3rd Fridays)

10am Coffee & Chat
Contact Jenny Murray

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