

## CHURCH TODAY

**10am: John**

*The Universal Gospel of God*

**Bible Readings:**

Is 40.21-31;

Ps 147.1-11;

1 Cor 9.16-23;

Mk 1.29-39

**5pm Jesus Talk**

*Fleeing to Jesus for Refuge*

**Bible Readings:**

Num 35.6,9-15;

Ps 62.1-8;

Heb 6.13-20

## NEXT WEEK

**10am: John**

*The Glory of the Transfiguration*

**Bible Readings:**

2 Kgs 2:1-12;

Ps 50: 1-6;

2 Cor 4:3-6;

Mk 9:2-9

**5pm Jesus Talk**

### The Prayer of the Week

Father of all, who gave your only-begotten Son to take upon himself the form of a servant and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, that, sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## SUNDAY MEETINGS

Every Sunday

10am

Prayer Praise Proclamation and Holy Communion

5pm Jesus Talk

(Jesus Talk resumes today at 5pm)

*"the testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of prophecy"* (Rev 19:10) Jesus Talk seeks to be a "prophetic hub" where Christ- concentrated expressions of prayer, praise, and proclamation, can take place in the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

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*More info from Jenny*

### Church Council

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# Welcome to ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

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

07 February 2021

## Times and Seasons

In a general sense of the common grace given to all humanity, the Lord sends "fruitful seasons" for the joy of his creatures (Acts 14:17). More than this, in Christ, the ending of one season of grace means the opening of another, much as John speaks of "grace upon grace" (John 1:16). Dale and Joy have gone north to the vineyard of the Lord in Carnarvon, and we should pray for them a "hundredfold ministry" to the glory of Christ (Matt 13:23). They may in another season return to us as even wiser helpful parishioners.

Whilst I believe you understand this already, Donna and I are quite different from perhaps the majority of Anglican pastors. Although I was called by ordination in 1982, for the bulk of our Christian lives we have been a part of churches across a spectrum from Pentecostal to Lutheran. This diverse immersion helps us appreciate that the wisdom of God has "many colours" (Eph 3:10). Whilst being very committed to the ministry of Word and Sacraments, which are indispensable to the Anglican expression of Christianity, in many ways we do not see ourselves as exclusively Anglican. This partly explains why some of the folk who have joined St Marks through originally knowing us, come from non-Anglican situations.

I believe we are called to care, much like a father and mother, for the children of God whatever their background. Perhaps as Paul describes it (1 Cor 4:14-15). This does involve the difficult and wonderful matters of caring via instruction and godly direction (Heb 12:5-11).

We strongly need all your prayers. Donna asks for prayer for faithfulness to care and nurture. I am definitely going to need help, from people as well as God, when it comes to administration. Also, please intercede strenuously for the regular ministry of the Word.

Finally, please keep praying regularly for a younger minister to take over as full-time parish priest, someone who can commit a lengthy period of their life to lead in our midst.

John.



CHURCH ON THE RISE

## 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.

**Covid19:** Please observe the physical distancing guidelines. Hand sanitizer is available at the door. If you are unwell, please stay at home.

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.

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.

### Children's Ministry needs help

The Children's Ministry team are keen to set up the kids' program for this year but are in dire need of helpers.

\* **Godly Play** (for kids aged 4 - 8) needs 2 helpers to supervise and help with craft. ([Contact Ros 0412 855 658](#))

\* **Godly Science** (for kids aged 9-12) needs 2-3 helpers to join the roster as leaders. The material is provided each week, the leader just needs to teach a short bible passage and run a practical science activity that illustrates it. ([Contact Andrew 0428 764 010](#))

Skills required: just a love for children and an enthusiasm to see them grow in their faith and feel like they belong to the church family.

### A Prayer as we seek a New Minister

Bountiful God give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose; wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

## MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers



### Barnabas Fund

Persecution of Christians around the world has increased in the last 12 months under the COVID pandemic, with followers of Jesus being refused aid (e.g. Vietnam), intensified government surveillance (e.g. China), and Islamic militants exploiting the crisis (e.g. Nigeria). One in eight believers globally face high levels of discrimination. There was a 60% increase in numbers of martyrs in 2020. Mostly in Africa.

Barnabas is bringing hope to suffering Christians by sending money, not people, through local churches and Christian organisations to fund projects being developed by locals. Recently, Barnabas paid for the liberation of 1261 Christian brick kiln families enslaved by debt in Pakistan. Their children can *now* attend Barnabas supported schools. Many other examples could be listed.

Please pray and assist Barnabas to be a voice to government and international agencies for our disempowered brothers and sisters throughout the world (1 Pet 4:10).

**More info from John Yates.**

### Praying Together This Week

Help to live & share the gospel

Those who are unwell

Christians being persecuted

For people to come to Christ

The Nomination Board

Our ministry with children & young people

Australian governments

The gospel to grow in Australia

Families to join us

John and Donna Yates as John takes on the role of locum minister here at St Marks