

## CHURCH TODAY

**9:30am:** John  
Cross Reconciles: Lent 4  
Bible Readings:  
Gen 22:1-19;  
Ps 34: 1-10;  
2 Cor 5:14-21;  
Matt 16:13-28  
**5pm Jesus Talk**

## SUNDAY MEETINGS

Every Sunday

**9:30am – each week by popular demand**

Prayer Praise Proclamation and  
Holy Communion

5pm      Jesus Talk

"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.

**By popular demand the morning service is now at 9:30am**

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More info from Jenny



**CHURCH ON THE RISE**

Welcome to

## ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

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

**14 March 2021**

## The Cross Reconciles 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

We know that humans are sinful and because of this, we are all estranged from God. Paul, (Ephesians 2 :12) says that the human race is separated from Christ, without hope and without God. Isaiah 59: 2 tells us that "*your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.*" In Romans 6: 23 we read "*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord*"

Yes, the good news is that, as a result of the death of Jesus, you and I can be reconciled with God because "*God made him (Jesus) to be sin for us*" (2 Cor 5:21). At the cross there was a substitution: I received the righteousness of Jesus and he took my sin and judgment. As a result, God does not count my sins against me (2 Cor 5:21). Romans 5: 10 tells us that "*when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son*". Reconciliation with God is a gift which needs to be actively and intentionally accepted by each person. It is a personal encounter between you and God. We cannot earn God's favour, by our own efforts and endeavours we cannot achieve reconciliation with God. As Ephesians 2 : 8-9 – says "*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.*"

J B Phillips' translation of 2 Corinthians 5: 17 explains that when we are reconciled with God "*we become a new person altogether—the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new. All this is God's doing, for he has reconciled us to himself through Jesus Christ.*"

We are called to share with others the life changing message that we can be reconciled with God through Christ's death on the cross. ([2 Cor 5:18](#)) Indeed, you and I are Christ's ambassadors, charged with sharing the wonderful news that any person who trusts in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ can be reconciled with God. (2 Cor 5: 20). That's the Gospel, good news indeed!

Barbara Wadley

## **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.

### Financial Information for February 2021:

**Total income: \$8,626.22** made up as follows:

**Total Expenses: \$6,680.81**

Envelopes - \$2,103.90  
Direct Giving - \$4,742.32  
Open Plate - \$580.00  
Other - \$1,200.00

## **Bible Studies for Lent**

Women's Bible Study Mondays 7-7:30pm catch up, 7:30-9pm Prayer & Study in Bassendean – Contact Donna – 0401 615 819

## Men's Bible Studies

Tuesdays 6:30pm in Bayswater – Contact John – 0405 640 740  
Also Tuesdays 6:30pm - location varies between Swan View and Bassendean  
Contact Roger – 0408 096 022

## 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 & families; Australian governments; John and Donna Yates

## 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**



### **TEARfund: transform, empower, advocate and restore**

TEARfund calls us, as wealthy Australian Christians, to be transformed, empowered, equipped to advocate and to restore wealth to the poorest and most marginalised in our world as we more and more deeply understand Jesus' call to us – so that through this partnership, marginalised communities and their people can be transformed, empowered, equipped to advocate and to graciously receive wealth to change their own lives.

### **What an invitation!**

Tearfund Australia works with community-based Christian groups, churches, and relief and development agencies in Africa, South and South-East Asia, the Pacific and with Australia's First Peoples.

These committed, local professionals work alongside disadvantaged people – of many faiths and cultures – in their own countries, to run a variety of long-term integrated development projects tailored to meet community needs and address community problems.

### **For more info please see Denese.**

Men's Breakfast is on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 8am in the St Marks Church Hall.

## **Children's Ministry needs help**

The Children's Ministry team are in dire need of helpers for **Godly Play (kids aged 4-8)** and **Godly Science (kids ages 9-12)**.

Please contact Ros 0412 855 658 or Andrew 0428 764 010 if you can help or if you would like more information.

Helper needed for in-church children's activity. This involves taking care of the clip boards and pencils and googling and printing the colouring in sheets the kids use when they are in church. Please see John if you can help.



Venue: Council House Gardens Perth  
Date: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 2:30-4:30pm

**Coffee and Chat will recommence on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> March at 10am in the Church Hall.**