

CHURCH TODAY

9:30am: John
Abide in Love
Bible Readings:
Ps 98

Acts 10:44-48;
1 John 5:1-12;
John 15:9-17

(Godly Play) is running today for children in K-Yr3.

Story: **Mother's Day – the story of Ruth** with Julie & Steph)

5pm Jesus Talk

NEXT WEEK

9:30am: John
Ascension
Bible Readings:
Ps 47

Acts 1:1-11;
Eph 4:7-16;
Luke 24:44-53

(Godly Play) is running today for children in K-Yr3.

Story: **The Ascension** with Ros & Tahlia)

5pm Jesus Talk

Godly Science is also on during the service for kids from Years 4-9.

The Prayer of the Week

Loving God, your Son has chosen us and called us to be his friends: give us grace to keep his commandments, to love one another, and to bear fruit which will abide; through him who is the true vine, the source of all our life, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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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Bank Account

Changes to BSB for payment to Bank Account

We encourage people to use direct deposit or direct debit
Anglican Community Fund
BSB: 706 001 **A/c No:** 300070717
Name: Anglican Parish of Bassendean.
Please identify payment, i.e. offering.
No need to use your name if you prefer not to.
More info from Jenny

CHURCH ON THE RISE

Welcome to ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

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

9 May 2021

A Lost Love

Jesus spoke disturbing words to the otherwise strong and orthodox church in Ephesus. “I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. 5 Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.” (Rev 2:4-5). Since “lampstand” in Revelation is a symbol for the church, the congregation will be terminated unless true love is revived.

This encompasses love for God, love for one another and love for lost. A congregation that has lost any of these has lost its reason for being. With so many congregations in Australia ageing and dying we need to ask the Spirit about how to rekindle “first love”. The Ephesian church was planted by Paul, pastored by Timothy and nurtured by the apostle John so “first love” isn't about doctrine. It's about what we mean to God.

The Old Testament highlights the Lord's heart-longing for our love. “I remember the devotion of your youth, your love as a bride, how you followed me in the wilderness, in a land not sown.” (Jer 2:2). “Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her. 15 And there I will give her vineyards and make the Valley of Achor a door of hope. And there she shall answer as in the days of her youth, as at the time when she came out of the land of Egypt. 16 “And in that day, declares the Lord, you will call me ‘My Husband,’ and no longer will you call me ‘My Baal.’” (Hos 2:14-16). This is marital language about a relationship which from God's side is as passionate as ever. God is ever courting his people! The Spirit woos us for Christ because the Church's covenant connection with the Lord is the real and eternal marriage for which we were all created.

Jesus warned that at “the end of the age” when “because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold.” (Matt 24:11-12). We are in this time when tenderness and sensitivity to the gentle dove-Spirit has been driven out of the Church. You can do something about this. Open your heart, tell God you love him and ask for an increased love for Him, other Christians and the lost.

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.

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.

Women Together

Possible future dates (to be confirmed):
24th July 2-4pm – Cara Heng has agreed to return to talk about Anxiety.
September Day Retreat 10-4pm

For more information please contact:
Donna – 0401 615 819
or Barb – 0407 476 436

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;
The Parish of Camarvon;
John and Donna Yates

Praying and Supporting the Church in MYANMAR: 50 Days of Prayer.

Visit <http://Fb.com/perthtogether> Sending financial support, please email John for details.

Donations to the Diocese of the North West

to assist in cyclone reconstruction can be sent to: <https://ardfa.org.au/wa-cyclone>

Coffee & Chat in the Church Hall from 10am – 12pm

On the 1st and 3rd Friday's of the Month.

Bible Study Groups

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

Bible Study – Men and Women welcome – **Wednesdays** 7:30pm in Caversham at Charles and Charmaine's place. Contact Charmaine for more info.



MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers

AFES – ECU Christian Union

The Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students (AFES) exists to share the Christian faith with university students in Australia and equip Christian students to build their faith, knowledge and understanding of God and his mission.

The AFES Staff Worker for Edith Cowan University, Mt. Lawley, (Toni Ollis) has written to share a brief update:

Outreach

Christian Union students have prepared a concert for Christian Students to perform original pieces or covers of Christian music. It will be held at the campus tavern. The theme of the concert is PSALM; a Night of Music Inspired by Faith. This is an opportunity for Christian students to invite their friends and hear more about following Jesus. The event was postponed due to COVID lockdown.

- pray for a new date and good promotion for the event
- that CU students will be bold and invite friends
- the night would be a success in terms of logistics, performers and opportunities to love and share the good news.

Training

Pray for the students who will be attending the *Mid-Year Conference* in July based on the theme of 'Resurrection: Living Hope'. That many would join up and get equipped and that the fruit of the training would be students living out their faith to love God more and serve others in mission.

Thanks, Toni, for the update, we at St. Mark's will be praying for you and the students at Mt. Lawley.

For more info please see David.

Youth Group

Youth Group meets fortnightly during term time for young people in years 4-9. We play crazy games then share a meal and bible study together.

Saturdays 4-7pm, all welcome.

Term 2 dates: 1 May, 15 May, 29 May, 12 June, 26 June.

Contact Andrew – 0428 764 010.

Financial Information for March 2021:

Total income: \$11,682.71 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$2,010.00
Direct Giving - \$6,469.29
Open Plate - \$630.00
Other - \$2,573.42

Total Expenses: \$6,192.70

Please note changes to BSB for payments to the church bank account on the back page.

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.