

CHURCH TODAY

9:30am: John
Bible Readings:
Ps 130

2 Sam 1:1, 17-27
2 Cor 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

(Godly Play: The Story of Job with Julie & Marilyn)
5pm Jesus Talk

NEXT WEEK

9:30am: John
Bible Readings:
Ps 48

2 Sam 5:1-10
2 Cor 12:1-10
Mark 6:1-13

(No Godly Play during School Holidays)
5pm Jesus Talk

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

The Prayer of the Week

O Christ for whom we search, our help when help has failed: give us courage to expose our need and ask to be made whole, that, being touched by you, we may be raised to new life in the power of your name. Amen.



SUNDAY MEETINGS

Every Sunday

9:30am – each week
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.

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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.*

27 June 2021

Choosing Weakness

Humans do not like to be powerless, and many never want to be a “burden on others”. In the light of the revelation of God in Christ such dispositions are ungodly. When we read, “In the beginning was the Word...the Word was God...the Word became flesh and dwelt among us” (John 1:1ff), we read how God chose a transformation from eternal life to frailty and mortality. More dramatically, “Christ Jesus...though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” (Phil 2:5-8). The God revealed in the Bible, who was Almighty, all-present, all-knowing, chose to be locked into the confines of time and space destined, not only for death, but for the most base, shameful and cruel death known.

More than anyone, Paul understood why this transformation had to be. “Who is weak, and I am not weak?” (1 Cor 11:29) he exclaims, and resolves “to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified” (1 Cor 2:2). At a crucial point in his life the sovereign Lord (2 Cor 12:1,8) graced the apostle with an excruciating “thorn in the flesh” (2 Cor 12:7, 9). The identity of this “thorn” is unknown, but it was a divine gift of agony. If in the strange dealings of the Lamb of God “power is made perfect in weakness” (2 Cor 12:9) then the greater the fleshly weakness the greater the spiritual power. The reason we find all this so hard to embrace is that we forget that Jesus is the centre of it all.

The power in question isn't mere force but “the power of Christ” just as the weakness is the weakness of Christ. These are the extremities of human experience seen in the death and resurrection of the Son of God whose life defines the measure of everything. If Jesus chose a measure of weakness for Paul that was essential for him to become a powerful apostle, so the Lord in his unparalleled wisdom has chosen a measure of weakness for each of us so that by faith and dependence we might become more like him. Trust him!

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

You and your friends are invited to Afternoon Tea on **Saturday 24 July from 2-4pm** at Barb and Verna's Home – 65 Bernley Drive, Viveash.

Our Speaker – Cara Heng has agreed to return to speak on **Anxiety**.

For more info please contact:

Donna – 0401 615 819
or Barb – 0407 476 436

Please RSVP by 14 July

Future dates:

16 October 10am-4pm Creative Day together
20 November 2-4pm Margaret Jacobs

AGM:

The **Annual General Meeting** will be held today after the service - **Sunday 27th June**.

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

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

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 Carnarvon;
John and Donna Yates

Prayers for the parish of Carnarvon where Dale and Joy Appleby are until the end of July.
Pray for a new permanent minister for their parish, evangelism in the community and increased giving.

Anglicare have a Homeless Appeal. If you are interested in donating to this appeal, details are on the table at the back of the church.

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

Men's & Women's Bible Study – Wednesdays 9-10am led by John – starting May 26th.

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

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.

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

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

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.

In recess for the school holidays. Term 3 Dates to be announced soon.

Contact Andrew – 0428 764 010.

Financial Information for May 2021:

Total income: \$9,516.75 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$2,170.00

Direct Giving - \$5,320.02

Open Plate - \$650.00

Other - \$1,376.73

Total Expenses: \$9,358.25

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.