

CHURCH TODAY

9:30am: John
Bible Readings:
Ps 45:1-9

Song of Songs 2:8-13
Mark 7:1-8, 14-23
Eph 5:21-33

(Godly Play is running today
for children in K-Yr 3.

Story: **The story of David/
Samuel/ Job** with Julie)

5pm Jesus Talk

NEXT WEEK

9:30am: John
Bible Readings:
Ps 84

1 Ki 8:22-30, 41-43

John 6:56-69

Eph 6:10-20

(Godly Play is running today
for children in K-Yr 3.

Story: **The Greatest Parable
Part 1** with Ros)

5pm Jesus Talk

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

The Prayer of the Week

Everliving God, by whose Spirit
the whole body of the Church is
governed and sanctified: hear
the prayers we offer for all your
faithful people, that in the
ministry to which you have
called them each may serve
you in holiness and truth;
through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. 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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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.*

22 August 2021

Why Marriage?

Marriage is the foundational “institution” for a happy and healthy family, and the moral and spiritual bedrock of society. But given that Jesus was never married, an unusual thing for a Rabbi, and that he taught that in “the age to come” there is no marriage (Matt 22:30), there must be some more ultimate purpose for marriage than these social advantages. A hint is found in the saying, “What is first in intention is last in execution”. In other words, God’s final purpose in creating and redeeming the world and humanity is found in what he does at the very End. In this case, the Bible shows that the consummation of all things is “the marriage supper of the Lamb.” (Rev 19:9). This is entry into the fullness of a marital state which has no termination but is an eternal conclusion. The Bible pictures this as a joy-filled celebration, a state of delight which will fill the redeemed of the Lord when they encounter their personal Saviour and “see his face” (Isa 51:11; Rev 22:4). Given that in the order of creation the face is the highest vehicle of revelation, this is a way of talking about a complete revelation of God’s deepest character. We can see “the (whole) glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ” (2 Cor 4:6). “When we see him we will be like him for we shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:2), means that seeing our Lover and Bridegroom will be the climax of the reason we have been made. We will instantly, spontaneously, and climactically be aware of this. There is another side to this celebration however, essential but one only understood by those who have passed far beyond a mere romantic understanding of marriage. (Consider the celibate Elijah, Jeremiah, the apostle John, Paul.) Whilst we will never see the disfigured visage of the crucified Lord (Isa 52:14), and liberated from the fate of hell we will never know what it means to have our Father’s holy face hidden from us (Isa 54:8; Mark 14:36), we will still see the scars on his body (John 20:27) which mark out the cost to God, Father, Son and Spirit of securing this marriage in all its infinite undeserved glory and which are a testimony of sacrificial love (Rom 5:8). This is the true wedded state in which we will luxuriate forever. Amen.

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.

St Matthews Church in Guildford are showing movies once a month on the third Saturday of each month commencing at 2pm in the Church Hall. Admission is free and afternoon tea is served after the movie for a donation. All welcome.

Wanted: Room for rent for a single man.
About \$100/week.
Contact Vishal - 0452 649 383

Women Together

Future dates for your diary:
16 October 10am-4pm Creative Day together
20 November 2-4pm Margaret Jacobs

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;
Myanmar; Afghanistan;
John and Donna Yates

Those wanting to read John Yates' book online can access it on the following links:

As an audio book with text:

<http://cross-connect.net.au/the-mystery-is-christ/>

Text only:

<http://cross-connect.net.au/books/the-mystery-is-christ-by-john-yates/>

Prayers for the parish of Carnarvon where Dale and Joy Appleby have just finished up.
Pray for the new locum, plus a new permanent minister for their parish, evangelism in the community and increased giving.

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 – 0421 868 321

MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers



Barnabas Fund (barnabasfund.org/au)

Barnabas is an interdenominational organisation dedicated to meeting the practical and spiritual needs of Christians experiencing persecution and discrimination. Recently it has sent food to distressed believers in Eritrea (horn of Africa), supported minority Christians in Uzbekistan (central Asia), helped student ministry in Pakistan where Christians are often treated as second-class citizens, purchased good shoes for poor school children in India and presented supplies to the enormous refugee camps (100, 000 people) along the Myanmar-Thai border. Finally, help has been given to 124 faith-based schools in Pakistan.

Barnabas lobbies Western political parties on behalf of the persecuted Church. Our support for Barnabas Fund as a mission organisation helps widen our horizons for prayer and giving. Barnabas sends money through local Christian contacts to fund projects developed by local partners. Please pray and assist Barnabas to be a voice and resource for disempowered believers globally (1 Pet 4:10).

For more information see John Yates.

Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students (AFES):

Is there anyone who can replace David Elsing as a mission rep for AFES at Edith Cowan University? If you can, or if you want more info, please let John know ASAP.

(You do not need to attend ECU – you will just need to keep up to date with their news and report back to the church via a short article in the newsletter each quarter – see John for more info)

Coffee & Chat in the Church Hall from 10am – 12pm
On the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the Month.

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 4-6pm, all welcome.

Term 3 dates: 14 Aug, 21 Aug, 11 Sep.

Contact Andrew – 0428 764 010.

Financial Information for July 2021:

Total income: \$10,267.43 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$1,605.00

Direct Giving - \$4,869.73

Open Plate - \$530.00

Other - \$3,197.15

Total Expenses: \$8,608.95

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.