

CHURCH TODAY

9:30am: John

Ascension

Bible Readings:

Ps 47

Dan 7:9-14

Eph 4:7-16

Luke 24:44-53

(Godly Play is on today for children in K-Yr 3)

(Godly Science is on today for kids from Years 4-9).

5pm Jesus Talk

NEXT WEEK

9:30am: John

Pentecost

Bible Readings:

Ps 104:26-36

Isa 44:1-8

Acts 2:1-21, 32-33

John 7:37-39

(No Godly Play or Godly Science today).

5pm Jesus Talk

The Prayer of the Day

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we pray you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to the same place where our Saviour Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChkz-PyfZ7TSSOOVsh7OUegQ>



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Jennifer Murray
Marilyn Wright

Bank Account

Changes to BSB for payment to Bank Account

We encourage people to use direct deposit or direct debit (direct debit forms available at the back of the church)

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

Welcome to

ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

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

29 May 2022

Perspective and Ascension

Whereas for centuries a globe with a cross above it (a *globus cruciger* "cross-bearing orb") was used to symbolise the triumph of Christ, today such notions are socially and politically unacceptable. Contemporary ideology teaches that everything depends on the perspective from which things are seen. Looking beyond white European maleness we must recognise that the perspectives of women, coloured peoples, LGBTQI folk etc are all equally valid. Stories that claim to be able to explain *everybody's* history, like Christianity, must be rejected because they exclude the majority. There are as many "truths" as there are humans, for all perspectives are equally valid. Whilst we cannot refute such views logically, the ascension of Jesus into heaven opens up a completely new perspective on all things. It opens up a way of seeing the world in which we can share. The disciples were permitted by God to see Jesus taken up in the clouds of glory (Acts 1:9) so that they might know his sacrifice was fully acceptable to the Father. We are informed that God "raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Eph 2:6) so that our "life is hidden with Christ in God" (Col 3:3) "in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col 2:3). We are not only people of resurrection life, in our union with Christ we are people of an ascended life. Promised "the mind of Christ" (1 Cor 2:16), we no longer have to be limited by the constraints of age, gender, race, economic history or any such thing. In eternity we will not live and move and have our being limited by any of these things: "if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." (2 Cor 5:17). The key to such a freedom in living is to be Christ-centred as far as possible. The apostles never stopped "gazing into heaven" in prayer and praise (Acts 1:10; Luke 24:2) so that the reality of Jesus' return to transform all things (Phil 3:20-21) was an ongoing glorious reality for them. In the week to come, instead of being pulled down to earth by circumstances we know are temporary, let us obey the Lord and "look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near." (Luke 21:28).

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.

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; Ukraine; Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC); John and Donna Yates; Unity in Christ for all Christians

Trading Table in the Hall

Please continue to support the Trading Table in the Hall See Pat or Shirl for more info.

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

On the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the Month

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.

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 at 31 Morgan Rd Redcliffe – Contact John – 0405 640 740
(Note change of address)

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.

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



BCA : Bush Church Aid

Thank you to the members of the congregation who have readily accepted the quarterly issues of the BCA 'The Real Australian' magazine.

The Autumn issue has an interesting article for computer-literate people on page 19. By visiting bushchurchaid.com.au and clicking on the Our People tab found on the top of the homepage, you can select which Field Staff you would like to know more about. Current newsletters from Staff are available on the website.

Also realise that if you have children between the ages of 8 and 12, they can become members of 'BCA for Kids' and might like to support BCA by using the BCA money boxes. There's a membership form in the Real Australian magazine and further information about fun-filled activities featured.

For more info speak to Murray

See these links below for reports from General Synod – see John for more information:
<https://www.facebook.com/218219174929986/posts/5056307027787819/?sfnsn=mo>
<https://www.facebook.com/218219174929986/posts/5057004801051375/?sfnsn=mo>
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Youth Group

Youth Group meets fortnightly during term time for young people in years 4-8. We play crazy games then share a meal and bible study together. Dinner is provided.
Saturdays 4-6pm, at the Church Hall - all welcome.
Term 2 dates: 11 June, 18 June, 2 July
Contact Andrew, Ros, Annie, or Steph.

Financial Information for April 2022:

Total income: \$11,319.36 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$1965.00
Direct Giving - \$6,734.07
Open Plate - \$955.00
Other - \$1,665.29

Total Expenses: \$6,552.82

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