CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sun 9:30am: Pentecost 14

Bible Readings: Psalm 136:1-12, 23-26 Deuteronomy 7:7-11 1 John 4:7-16 John 15:9-14

(Children's Church is on today for children in K-Yr 3) (Kid's Time is on today for kids from Years 4-9).

Jesus Talk 5pm House fellowship – contact John or Donna - 0401 615 819

NEXT WEEK

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Sentence of the Day:

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SUNDAY MEETINGS

Sundays at 9:30am – Prayer, Praise, Proclamation & Holy Communion Sundays at 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.

Church Council

Church Wardens:

Shirley Landon Roger Wright

Councillors

Alan Hunt Mary Lindsey Barbara Mallett Jennifer Murray Marilyn Wright

The Prayer of the Day

Loving God, on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, to love one another as he loved them: write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Welcome to

ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

Discovering and demonstrating Jesus' love in Bassendean and beyond.

14 September 2025

Knowing God: God is Love

Today in our topical series on Knowing God, we come to the truth that, as John puts it, "God is love" (1 John 3:8). One writer calls this "that marvel above all other marvels in this marvellous world of ours – the marvel of God's love for sinners" (BB Warfield).

Marvellous – but also difficult. Our culture loves 'love' – but specific versions of love. Romantic, passionate love, as in most of our songs, movies, and books! Or, a kind of love which is only ever affirming of me and my choices. Is the love of God like these? And difficult too because of our experiences and knowledge of suffering and evil. Can we really believe in a loving God?

Those are important questions. The focus of the Bible's claim that God is love, and the revelation of what that love is like and has done, is in Jesus. In the Old Testament (contrary to many misunderstandings) God is revealed as a God of love, whose "love endures forever" towards his undeserving people. And this love finds its climax and fulfilment in Jesus' life and especially his death.

"This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins." (1 John 4:9–10)

God's love does not love the lovely and deserving, but the unlovely and undeserving. God's love acts for our good. God's love is costly and sacrificial, indeed willing to pay the ultimate price.

And this love of God is not just a truth about God to affirm, but one God offers us to know. "And so we know and rely on the love God has for us" (John 4:16). God invites us through faith to be united to his beloved Son, and indwelt by his Spirit, and so to be his "beloved children." Do you know this love for yourself?

And then, as his Spirit works in us, to love as he has loved us. To love God with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. And, to love others – all, even our enemies, but focussed especially on our brothers and sisters in Christ: Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (1 John 4:11).

How might God be calling you to reflect his love to others?

In Christ, who loved us and gave himself for us, Mark.

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.

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.

Donations for Capital Works

If you wish to make a donation for the work to be undertaken in the Church Hall, please make payment to the following Account:

Anglican Community Fund

BSB: 706-001

Account Number: 30001235 Account Name: Anglican Parish of

Bassendean

Please identify the payment as "Hall Donation".

If you wish to make the donation in cash, please place it in an envelope marked Hall Donation.

More information from Jenny

Missed a sermon?

Our recent sermons are now online on the church website! www.stmarksbassendean.church

Upcoming Dates for your Diary:

<u>Saturday 20 September:</u> Men's Breakfast & Women Together

<u>Sunday 21 September</u>: Bishop's Visit with Special Morning Tea (please bring a plate)

The next **Men's Breakfast** is on **Sat 20**th **September at 8am** in the Church Hall. For more info see Roger.

Save the Dates - Women Together 2025:

20 September – Kate Grobicki 'A Conversation with Kate'

8 November – Cara Heng 'Going through hard times with God.'

If you would like to receive this Pewsheet via email each week or for any notices that need to go in the Pewsheet please contact Jacquie Davidson on 0433 799 034 or jacquied333@gmail.com

Bible Study Groups

Women's Bible Study:

Mondays 10am-12pm in Bassendean – Contact Donna – 0401 615 819 Men's Bible Studies:

Mondays 5pm in the Church - Contact John - 0405 640 740

Tuesdays 6:30pm in the Church Hall - Contact Roger – 0408 096 022

Men's & Women's Bible Studies:

Wednesdays 9-10am in the Church – Contact Mark – 0406 659 249

Thursdays 7:30pm in Bassendean - Contact Charmaine – 0421 868 321

MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers



BCA - Bush Church Aid

Have you read about BCA activities on the hall notice board? – and responded?

A good response is being a neighbour to people experiencing isolation in remote towns like Kununurra.

Elizabeth Green, who spent her childhood in Kununurra, has written an article in the recent Spring BCA magazine. "In 1965 it was a remote town. There was no local doctor. We had fans, not air-conditioning, and no television. I missed fresh milk and crunchy green apples. My mum placed a grocery order every SIX MONTHS which would be shipped to Wyndham for collection – toothpaste, soap, toilet paper, tins of Sunshine powdered milk, vegemite, cans of tuna and baked beans. We had little money but mum would make us ice cream from powdered milk and milo, bake biscuits and cook casseroles."

Many of the hardships of the 1960's might not be as evident today, as they were, but the distances travelled and the isolation still remain.

This month, Kununurra celebrates 60 years of BCA partnering with gospel workers. Parise God and pray it continues for another 60 years.

Thank you readers for gifts which you make to help take the life-changing message of Jesus to remote Australians.

For further information, please speak to Murray.

Junior Youth Group

For young people in years 4-8. Dinner provided (Donation welcome to cover cost).

<u>Saturdays 5-7pm</u>, at the Church Hall - all welcome.

Term 3 Dates: 13/9 Contact Andrew or Ros.

Senior Youth Group

For young people in **years 9-12.** Dinner provided (Donation welcome to cover cost). **Saturdays 5-7:30pm. Contact Lindsay or Charmaine.**

Term 3 Dates: 13/9; 20/9

Financial Information for August 2025

Total income: \$19,581.45 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$1,668.00 Direct Giving - \$8,056.00 Open Plate - \$570.00 Other - \$2,443.95

Hall Donations - \$6,843.50

Total Expenses: \$20,494.05

Bank Account Details:

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

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