

CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sun 9:30am:

Epiphany 5

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 58:1-9a

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

John 8:12-30

Psalms 112:1-10

(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

Sun 9:30am:

Epiphany 6

Bible Readings:

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

John 8:31-59

Psalms 119:1-8

(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

Sentence of the Day:

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (Jesus in **John 8:12**)

The Prayer of the Day

Heavenly Father, whose Son is the Light of the World: as by your grace we have been brought from darkness to have the light of life, so may all the peoples of the world come to know of your love revealed in Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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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

Welcome to ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

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

8 February 2026

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (Jesus in John 8:12)

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today we begin following readings in John's Gospel, which we will follow until after Easter. Last year quarter 1 we looked at John chapters 1-7, and we pick up today where we left off, and come to the second of Jesus' famous "I am" statements in John's Gospel (the first being "I am the bread of life" in chapter 6).

In his excellent pastoral reflections on these verses, JC Ryle makes these two observations:

Firstly, *what Jesus says of Himself*: "He proclaims, "I am the light of the world." These words imply that the world needs light, and is naturally in a dark condition... The vast majority of [people] neither see nor understand the value of their souls, the true nature of God, nor the reality of a world to come!... For this state of things, the Lord Jesus Christ declares Himself to be the only remedy. He has risen, like the sun, to diffuse light, and life, and peace, and salvation, in the midst of a dark world... He only is the true light who came into the world to save sinners, who died as our substitute on the cross, and sits at God's right hand to be our Friend.

Secondly, *what Jesus says of those who follow Him*: "He promises, "He [*this is gender-inclusive ye-olde English – he or she!*] who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."... He that so follows Christ shall "not walk in darkness." He shall not be left in ignorance, like the many around him. He shall not grope in doubt and uncertainty, but shall see the way to heaven, and know where he is going. He "shall have the light of life." He shall feel within him the light of God's countenance shining on him. He shall find in his conscience and understanding a living light, which nothing can altogether quench. The lights with which many please themselves shall go out in the valley of the shadow of death, and prove worse than useless. But the light that Christ gives to every one that follows Him shall never fail."

In Christ, the life-bringing Light of the world, even for us today,
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.

Information on donations for the Hall and associated Capital Works:

Budgeted amount - \$50,000
Amount received up to 31 December - \$85,771.22

More information from Jenny

Women's Bible Study is commencing on Tuesday 10 February at 10am. See Donna, Verna or Judy for more details.

St Mark's Playgroup in 2026

Anna Rhodes is planning to run a St Mark's Playgroup in 2026, as a way to connect with, care for, and introduce Christ to families in Bassendean and beyond. She'd love to hear from you if you think you might be able to help in any way!

Missed a sermon?

Our recent sermons are now online on the church website!

www.stmarksbassendean.church



You can also download the Podbean App on your phone and search for St Mark's Bassendean and find the sermons there.

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

Bible Study Groups

Women's Bible Study:

Tuesdays 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



Jireh Uganda

Jireh Uganda is a small WA based charity supporting destitute villagers in three impoverished Ugandan villages.

Reports from our Kampala Coordinator Chrispin highlight widows and single mothers with children who are no longer without hope. From a relatively small gift for agricultural, livestock, or small business start-ups, beneficiaries make the most of every opportunity in enterprising and caring ways far above what is required by JU for sustainability and growth. For example, just a few chickens, or goats or pigs not only provide sustenance for a family, but the sale of future produce also covers the cost of education and health needs. Many beneficiaries save to rent land for growing crops or commence a small business like selling chapati and eggs.

We are thankful for the prayers and generous financial support of St Mark's assisting Jireh Uganda's life transforming programs. Thank you, bless you.

Tax deductible donations can be made at <https://jirehuganda.org/how-to-help/>

Please speak with either Verna or Barb for further information.

Junior Youth Group

For young people in **years 5-8**. Dinner provided (Donation welcome to cover cost).

Saturdays 5-7pm, at the Church Hall - all welcome.

Term 1 Dates: 7/2; 21/2; 7/3; 21/3

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.

Term 1 Dates: 7/2; 14/2; 21/2; 28/2; 7/3; 14/3; 28/3

Contact Lindsay or Charmaine.

Financial Information for December 2025

Total income: \$67,271.64 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$1,870.00

Direct Giving - \$6,714.00

Open Plate - \$1,035.00

Other - \$3,302.64

Hall Donations - \$54,350.00

Total Expenses: \$83,184.55

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).