

CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sun 9:30am:

Pentecost 13

Bible Readings:

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Luke 10:38-42

Psalm 119:9-16

(**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:

Pentecost 14

Bible Readings:

1 Samuel 1:9-20

Ephesians 6:10-20

Luke 11:1-13

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

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Sentence of the Day:

"Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD."
(Deuteronomy 8:3)

The Prayer of the Day

Heavenly Father, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word: by your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy, and to live according to it, that we may grow in faith and hope and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
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.*

23 August 2026

"The Law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold." (Psalm 119:72)

Dear brothers and sisters,

Are we those devoted to receiving God's Word? We've seen the past weeks that God is at work to see people come to know Jesus, grow in Jesus, and go live for Jesus. One key means of the Spirit doing this is through his Word, the Scriptures, revealing Jesus, his truth and ways to us.

One moving story of someone devoted to God's Word is Mary Jones (1784–1866). Mary grew up in a poor family in small village in rural Wales. Her father, a farm labourer, died when she was only four. Every Sunday Mary and her mother would walk two miles to and from church, to hear the Bible preached. But they did not own a Bible for themselves. Mary was taught to read around the age of 10, and this deepened her love for God's Word. A local farmer's wife invited Mary to come over when she could to read their family Bible. She did so regularly, but time and again wished, 'If only I had a Bible of my own!'

Mary resolved to work hard and save up to buy her own Bible. She sold eggs, honey, and did sewing, saving every penny she could. Finally, about 16 years old, she had saved up enough money. Even then, she did not know where to buy one. In God's providence she met a minister, Thomas Charles, who said he was expecting a shipment of Welsh Bibles. She walked around 40km (up and over a mountain, barefoot!) to the town where he lived. He gave her three for the price of one, and Mary later recalled, "I set off home with my precious burden. I ran a great part of the way, I was so glad of my Bible".

Mary Jones' story, amongst others, became the basis for the formation of the British and Foreign Bible Society, to help provide Bibles to those without. And as for Mary Jones, she loved reading the Bible she had strived so hard to get. Even in old age, after she went blind, a younger friend would come and read Mary's beloved Bible to her.

We have far easier access to the Bible: we likely have several Bibles in our home, and can read it instantly on our computer and phone. Yet, are we devoted to receiving God's Word? It is his God-breathed Word which 'makes us wise for salvation through faith in Jesus,' and is useful for 'teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Tim 3:16-17). Do our lives show that we 'do not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord' (Deut 8:3)? That to us God's Word is 'more precious than gold' and 'sweeter than honey' (Ps 19:10)?

In Christ, the Word made flesh, 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.

Upcoming Dates for your diaries:

Sun 23 Aug 11:30am – Stay to Pray for our church, community & world.

Sat 29 Aug 9am-5pm – Working Bee

Sun 30 Aug – Prison Fellowship visit at church

Sat 5 Sep 2-4pm – Women Together

Sat 5 Sep 5-7pm – Youth Group Father's Day special- fathers & father figures invited!

Sun 6 Sep – Father's Day Service

Women Together – Saturday 5 September

from 2-4pm for Afternoon Tea at Barb & Verna's house.

Speaker is Jennie Markham

RSVP to Barb, Donna, or Verna.

Future Women Together Dates for 2026:

14 November – Speaker TBC

St Mark's Music and Play

Fridays of School Term from 9:30-11:30am at the Church Hall for children aged 0-5 and their parents/ carers.

See Anna Rhodes for more info.

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

29 August – Working Bee – Church Garden Planting Day 9am-5pm

Come and help transform the Parker St garden!

There are jobs for everyone – planting, digging, mulching, providing morning tea & lunch. Come for one or more sessions or for the day.

See Barb W, Mark, or Marilyn to help.

Perth Women's Convention is on Saturday 17th October from 9am-1pm at Faith Community Church in Willetton.

Sarah Thorburn will be speaking from 1 Peter on Present Suffering Future Hope.

More information and registration at: <https://pwc.ccowa.org/>

MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers

Missionary Support here at St Marks

Did you know that our congregation here at St Marks, supports various missionary organisations through our giving and in prayer?

We donate 10% of our offerings received each quarter to these missions listed below: (our church representative is also listed here)

Bush Church Aid (BCA) – Murray Smallman - <https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/>

Church Missionary Society (CMS) – Anna & Lindsay Rhodes - <https://www.cms.org.au/>

Scripture Union (SU) – Rosalind Appleby - <https://www.suwa.org.au/>

Jesus Ministries in Myanmar – John Yates (No website)

Jireh Uganda – Verna Fernie & Barbara Wadley – www.jirehuganda.org

The Bible Society – Joy Appleby - www.biblesociety.org.au

We also make an annual donation to **ABM (Anglican Board of Mission)** - <https://www.abmission.org/>

Please take some time to look at the websites above and continue to support these missions in prayer. Talk to our church representatives for more info.

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 3 Dates: 22/8; 22/8; 5/9; 19/9

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.

Term 3 Dates: 21/8; 29/8; 5/9; 12/9; 19/9

Contact Lindsay or Charmaine.

Financial Information for July 2026

Total income: \$26,158.09

made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$1,315.00

Direct Giving - \$8,330.00

Open Plate - \$1,995.00

Grant received - \$9,152.00

Other - \$5,366.09

Total Expenses: \$18,623.26

Bank Account Details: - Please note change to Bank Account Number – it now has 8 digits not 9 as previously.

Anglican Community Fund

BSB: 706 001 A/c No: 30007071

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).