CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sun 9:30am:
Pentecost 24
Bible Readings:
Genesis 32:1-31
1 John 1:1-9
John 20:24-31
Psalm 63

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

NEXT WEEK

Sun 9:30am:
Pentecost 25
Bible Readings:
Genesis 37:1-28
Acts 3:12-21
Mark 12:1-12
Psalm 22:11-24

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

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SUNDAY MEETINGS

Sundays at 9:30am:

Prayer, Praise, Proclamation & Holy Communion

Church Council

Church Wardens:
Shirley Landon
Roger Wright

Councillors
Alan Hunt
Mary Lindsey
Barbara Mallett
Jennifer Murray
Marilyn Wright

Sentence of the Day:
The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. **(1 John 1:2)**

The Prayer of the Day
Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you: teach us to offer ourselves to your service, that here we may have your peace, and in the world to come may see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Welcome to

ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

Discovering and demonstrating Jesus' love in Bassendean and beyond.

8 November 2026

"Then we shall see Face to Face"

Dear brothers and sisters,

Later in the service today we will hear more about the ministry of one of our mission partners, Bush Church Aid (BCA), and be joined by the Rev'd Scott Thomson. Scott has been recently appointed as BCA-supported minister in the Anglican parishes of Margaret River-Augusta. For many years St Mark's has supported the ministry of BCA. BCA is now providing an opportunity for us to partner intentionally with specific BCA ministers – and we have been asked, God-willing, to partner with Scott and his wife Eilidh in Margaret River-Augusta, and with Dave and Emma Thompson in Dongara (so it'll be the Thomsons and Thompsons!). This partnership between BCA ministers and support churches means that, beyond ongoing financial support, we will be able to more directly partner in their ministry through regular prayer and care for them. Please do take the opportunity to speak with and get to know Scott and Eilidh today.

It's great to partner with BCA in their mission "bringing the life-changing gospel message of Jesus to rural, regional and remote Australia." For there is nothing more needed and life-changing - for any person in Australia (and beyond!) – than the news of Jesus.

In our reading from Genesis 32 today, we read of the account of Jacob 'wresting' with God. Jacob, who fled Canaan with nothing, is returning with a large family, and flocks and herds. But, he is terrified to meet his brother Esau, who he had defrauded, and cries out to God to save him. The mysterious wrestle with God seems to be God revealing his answer to Jacob: God changes Jacob's name to Israel – a change from something like 'deceiver' to 'God fights [for you]' and hence the assurance that 'you have overcome' (Gen 32:28). As God has so faithfully blessed and protected Jacob in the past, despite his sins and failings, so he will continue to do so. Jacob in awe realises he has 'seen' God and lived.

The apostles reflected in wonder on the fact that in Jesus they had seen God in-the-flesh. In coming to know Jesus, we too come to know God's blessing, God fighting for us, the coming condemnation and eternal death which we deserve instead being defeated. And through Jesus, our sure confidence is looking forward to life in his new creation when we will indeed see God face to face. Isn't that the best life-changing news for every nook and cranny of our country – and indeed world, and me and you?

In Christ, 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.

There will be a **Pastoral Care Meeting** on **Sunday 15 November** after church.

The next **Men's Breakfast** is on **Sat 28 November at 8am** in the Church Hall.
For more info see Roger.

As you may know there have been some new babies born into our church family in the last few weeks. If you would like to make a meal for Louise & Haydn and baby Florence or for Anna & Lindsay and baby Hazel, please speak to Kate or click on these links here to volunteer for a meal:

https://takethemameal.com/XWAN5311

https://takethemameal.com/VBJA4889

Upcoming Dates for your Diary:
Sat 7 Nov – Youth Group
Thurs 12 Nov – Coffee and Chat
Sat 14 Nov – Women Together
Fri 20 Nov – Sun 22 Nov – Families Weekend Away
Wed 25 Nov – Lindsay & Anna Rhodes CMS Info Night (7pm)
Sat 28 Nov – Men's Breakfast
Sun 6 Dec – St Mark's Christmas Lunch

Women Together – Saturday 14 November from 2-4pm for Afternoon Tea at Barb & Verna's house.
Speaker is Joy Appleby.
RSVP to Barb, Donna, or Verna.

Coffee and Chat - 10am to 12pm in the **Church Hall.**
12th November 2026 – Christmas Cards & Decorations - Workshop
10th December 2026 – Christmas Party

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

BCA – Bush Church Aid

BCA was first established in 1919 in Sydney, Australia with the aim to provide pastoral and spiritual care for the First Nations peoples and new settlers in remote areas of Australia.

The Vision of BCA is: Every person in the bush, Every chance to know Jesus, and their Mission is: Going the distance to share Jesus in the bush.

In partnership with Anglican Dioceses and other Christian ministries across the country, Bush Church Aid places committed and gifted gospel workers in a variety of locations so all Australians have the opportunity to hear the life-changing message of Christ.

St Marks supports the work of BCA financially and in prayer and we have been asked to partner with Scott and Eilidh Thomson in Augusta / Margaret River and David and Emma Thompson in Dongara, so please pray for both of these families.

You can find more information at the website: https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/ or you can look for the quarterly Prayer Notes or the Real Australian magazine with more details.

Please see Murray for more 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 4 Dates: 7/11; 5/12; 24/12 **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 4 Dates: 7/11; 14/11; 28/11; 5/12; 12/12

Financial Information for September 2026

Total income: $18,255.89
made up as follows:
Envelopes - $1,115.00
Direct Giving - $6,400.00
Open Plate - $1,370.00
Volunteer Grant - $2,000.00
Donation - $1,999.00
Other - $5,371.89
Total Expenses: $16,854.42

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).