CHURCH THIS 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).

NEXT WEEK

Sun 9:30am:
Pentecost 26
Bible Readings:
Genesis 39:1-23
1 Peter 2:11-25
Matthew 4:1-11
Psalm 17:1-15

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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:
[Peter said to the crowd:] "The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus... You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead."
(Acts 3:13,15)

The Prayer of the Day
Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Welcome to
ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN
Discovering and demonstrating Jesus' love in Bassendean and beyond.

15 November 2026

Dear brothers and sisters,

Welcome to St Mark's, and a special welcome to you today if you are joining for the baptism Hazel May Rhodes. It is wonderful to be with you.

Baptism is something Jesus specifically instituted for his followers. He said, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). So, what is baptism? Baptism means 'immersion', and it involves, pretty simply, getting wet. Sometimes a little wet, like water poured over a forehead, or sometimes very wet, like being dunked in a river! So why did Jesus choose this to mark all his followers? The New Testament shows that baptism outwardly signifies two things that God, in his wonderful mercy, does inwardly to someone who trusts in Jesus:

The first is the *forgiveness of our sins*. Baptism symbolizes being washed clean of the spiritual 'dirt' of our sins. Jesus taught the sad reality that all have turned away from God and failed to live his good ways. But the wonderful news is that Jesus, God with Us, came to us, to rescue us; he died for our sins, and now offers forgiveness to any and all who turn to him. As the apostle Peter urged, "Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins." (Acts 2:38).

The second aspect symbolised in baptism is our *burial and resurrection*. As a baptised person goes 'into' the water, and then 'out' again, it looks a bit like a body going into a grave and out again. Baptism symbolises that God has acted to 'bury' a person's old sinful self, and bring them new spiritual life. As Paul writes, "we were therefore buried with [Christ] through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." (Romans 6:5).

As Hazel is baptised today, we are outwardly symbolising and sealing what God in his immense mercy promises to do inwardly for all who turn to Jesus in repentance and faith: forgiving our sins and bringing us into new spiritual life with him. And that, certainly, is something to celebrate!

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** today - **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 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.**
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: 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: 14/11; 28/11; 5/12; 12/12

Financial Information for October 2026

Total income: $18,189.73
made up as follows:
Envelopes - $1,745.00
Direct Giving - $8,240.00
Open Plate - $1,425.00
2nd Volunteer Grant - $2,000.00
Donation - $1,999.00
Other - $2,780.73
Total Expenses: $27,034.50

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).