

CHURCH JAN 2023
Bible Readings

1 January 9:30am
John

Ps 72:1-7, 10-14
Isa 60:1-6
Eph 3:1-12
Matt 2:1-12

8 January 9:30am
Mark

Ps 29
Isa 42:1-9
Acts 10:34-43
Matt 3:13-17

15 January 9:30am
Mark

Ps 40:1-11
Isa 49:1-7
1 Cor 1:1-9
Matt 4:1-12

22 January 9:30am
Mark

Ps 27:1,4-9
Isa 9:1-4
1 Cor 1:10-18
Matt 4:12-25

29 January 9:30am
Mark

Ps 15
Mic 6:1-8
1 Cor 1:18-31
Matt 5:1-12

**No Godly Play or Godly
Science during School
Holidays**
**Jesus Talk is also in recess
for January.**

SUNDAY MEETINGS

Every Sunday

9:30am – each week
Prayer Praise Proclamation and
Holy Communion

5pm — Jesus Talk

(In Recess for January)

"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.



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Changes to BSB for payment to Bank Account

We encourage people to use direct deposit or direct debit
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

Welcome to
ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

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

1-29 January 2023

Welcome to St Marks this January

What do you hope 2023 has in store for you? Perhaps you're the kind of person who sets 365 new year resolutions, or the person who hates the thought, but either way we will all have aims, hopes and expectations for the year ahead.

In his letter to the church in Colossae, Paul prays for them something which I think would be one excellent way to be praying for ourselves, and each other, for the year ahead:

⁹... We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, ¹⁰ so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, ¹¹ being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, ¹² and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. ¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1:9-14)

Now I'm afraid there's nothing in the prayer about winning the lotto, meeting that person, resolving that issue, or seeing the church grow to a 1000... But there is a prayer for something ultimately even better: that we who have been rescued and forgiven by God, might live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way. What a goal to have for our year!

Paul lists four ways in which we may do that, and they are worth our prayer and reflection:

- (1) Are there specific areas of holiness, or relationships, or ministries, in which I could "bear fruit in every good work"?
- (2) Are there ways I can seek to "grow in the knowledge of God"?
- (3) How will I receive from the Lord strength and encouragement, that I may "have great endurance and patience" in my Christian faith and conduct?
- (4) How might I, in ways private or public, "give joyful thanks to the Father"?

Imagine if we get to the end of 2023, and by God's Spirit have lived a life even just a little more pleasing to the Lord in those ways – now wouldn't that be a great year?

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.

Praying Together: Help to live & share the gospel & for people to come to Christ; Those who are unwell; Christians being persecuted; Myanmar; Afghanistan; Ukraine; Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC); Mark & Kate Grobicki & a suitable, local house for their family, our Youth Group, our Children's Ministries.

Prayers of the Week – January

1st Jan:

Everlasting God, who brought the nations to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising: fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

8th Jan:

Almighty God, who anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son: inspire us, your children, who are born again of water and the Spirit, to surrender our lives to your service, that we may rejoice to be called your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

15th Jan:

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service: strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

22nd Jan:

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you: mercifully accept our prayers, and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

29th Jan:

O Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are worth nothing: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you; Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

MISSION PROJECT UPDATE

Information for your Prayers

Jesus Ministries (JM) Myanmar, Latest Report

Half the population are living below the poverty line. Military takeover, Covid, food price increase and limited availability mean 14 million people need humanitarian help. There are 605,000 internally displaced persons. The country's health care system and economy have collapsed multiplying psychosocial distress. Of the 10 centres overseen by JM one has been destroyed by military action and two others are unusable because of regional military conflict. The Powerful Youth drug rehab remains in use and under construction in peaceful far north Nagaland, and the Tachilate Child Care/Youth Development Centre continues to care and educate 60 students, many are refugees. Myanmar Youth Development Centre Yangon is operating with 16 students. Galilee, the mother church (Yangon) continues to attract people for prayer, teaching and food relief. Local costs are low, but the overall budget is considerable. Ps/brother Moses sends thanks to St Mark's for your generous assistance. **See John for more info.**

MISSION PROJECT UPDATE

Information for your Prayers

Scripture Union Australia

One of the mission groups St Marks supports is SU Australia, a Christian not-for-profit organisation that works alongside local churches of all denominations and community groups towards a common vision: to see children, young people and their families discovering life in God's big story.

Jesus gives hope and purpose to life, and on SU Holiday Camps young people are changed as they find out why. The primary- and secondary-aged camps combine the fun and adventure of activities like camping, performing arts, kayaking and sport, with an experience of community living and a chance to see and hear what Christianity is all about.

This summer there are 15 camps running in WA. One of these is Glen Echo 1 which Andrew Appleby will be attending as a leader. The camp is held on a farm in Albany where 30 teenagers will experience the thrill of a night paddle on the Kalgan River, conquer Bluff Knoll (the highest mountain in the south west of WA) and swim in the crystal clear waters of Albany's most amazing beaches, while hanging out with new friends.

Please pray the campers will experience the transformational love of God as they experience a safe loving community and hear about Jesus. Please pray for wisdom and energy for the leaders, including Andrew, who will be quartermaster, responsible for the smooth running of campsite logistics, kitchen duty teams, ablution hygiene and supplies shopping, ably assisted by his kids Matthew and Tahlia who are now experts in making toast for 50 every morning!

"This camp has been the best week of my life so far and it was amazing I could do so many things with people I didn't know before including God." - Year 8 boy on Glen Echo 1

See Ros for more info.

All of these Groups are in Recess until February:

All Bible Study Groups, Youth Group, Coffee & Chat, Men's Breakfast, Fortnightly Prayer Meeting and Jesus Talk (Sunday night service)