#### **CHURCH THIS WEEK**

Thurs 6pm: Mark **Maundy Thursday** 

Bible Readings: Ps 116:1-2,12-19

Ex 12:1-14

Heb 10:16-25

Matt 26:1-56

Fri 9:30am: Mark

**Good Friday** Bible Readings:

Ps 22

Isa 52:13-53:12

1 Cor 1:18-31 Matt 27:27-54

Sun 9:30am: Mark

**Easter Sunday** 

Bible Readings:

Ps 118:1-2, 14-24

Jer 31:1-6 or Acts 10:34-43

Col 3:1-4 Matt 28:1-20

(No Godly Play or Godly Science during the School Holidays)

5pm Jesus Talk

### **NEXT WEEK**

9:30am: Mark

**Second Sunday of Easter** 

Bible Readings:

Ps 16

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

1 Pet 1:1-12

Matt 8:1-17

No Godly Play or Godly Science during the School Holidays) 5pm Jesus Talk

# The Prayer of the Day – Good Friday

Merciful God, who gave your Son to suffer the shame of the cross: save us from hardness of heart, that, seeing him who died for us, we may repent, confess our sin, and receive your overflowing love, in Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

## SUNDAY MEETINGS

**Every Sunday** 

9:30am - each week

Prayer Praise Proclamation and

Holy Communion

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.

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# The Prayer of the Day – Maundy Thursday

God of all, you gave your only-begotten Son to take the form of a servant, and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that, sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

# The Prayer of the Day – Easter Sunday

Almighty God, you have conquered death through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant us by your grace to set our mind on things above, so that by your continual help our whole life may be transformed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit in everlasting glory. Amen.

## Welcome to

# ST MARK'S BASSENDEAN

Discovering and demonstrating Jesus' love in Bassendean and beyond.

Easter 2023

# Easter - Hope for Life

Welcome to St Mark's this Easter.

In our family recently one of our kids asked the question, "Dad, which is better, Christmas or Easter?" What would you say? They declared it was definitely Easter: "because at Christmas you just get a few presents, but at Easter you get chocolate eggs, and lots of them." I guess hard to argue with that! For my part, I love the time of Christmas, but I don't think you can surpass the hope-bringing significance of Easter. Inseparable as they are, Christ's coming to us (Christmas) only becomes good news for us in light of his death and resurrection for us (Easter). It is the events of Easter which bring us true and lasting hope for life.

On Good Friday we commemorate Christ's crucifixion. A terrible event of betrayal, rejection, pain and shame. But yet also more: we call it *good* Friday. Why? Because Jesus taught that he willingly and loving laid down his life for us, his innocent body and blood given for the forgiveness of our sins, to reconcile sinners to our holy God.

Then on Easter Sunday a group of women go to the tomb where Jesus' dead body was laid and make a shocking discovery: it is empty. They are told, "he is risen, just as he said". When the risen Jesus later meets his disciples, he says, "all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me". The risen Jesus is revealed to be the glorious Lord of all, and gracious Saviour of all who would come to him.

These great events of Easter mean, through faith in Christ, we can all have certain hope for life. Hope for forgiveness of our sins. Hope for reconciled relationship with our Creator and Judge. Hope for eternal life. Hope that evil, sin, death and Satan will not have the last word. Because Jesus did not just come to us, but died and rose again for us: "he was given over to death for our sins, and was raised to life to make us right with God" (Romans 4:25)

So, whoever we are, whatever our past, whatever our present, my prayer is that this Easter we would all see afresh the glory and grace of Jesus and find in him true and certain hope for life.

May you have a blessed and hope-filled Easter. 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.

<u>Praying Together This Week:</u> 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, our Youth Group, our Children's Ministries.

## Regular Parish Prayer Meeting.

When: Every second Saturday 11am-12pm <u>Dates: 15/4, 29/4, 13/5</u>

Where: in the church

**Why:** that the Lord might pour on us his Spirit in power so that we become a true missional (apostolic) congregation. **More Info:** please talk to Shirley or Mary.

<u>Hope Explored</u> – An opportunity to explore the hope offered by the life, death & resurrection of Jesus.

When: 3 sessions with dessert & drinks -7:30pm Fridays 28/4, 5/5, 12/5 at St Marks Bassendean. For more info speak to Mark.

<u>St Mark's Church Family Lunch</u> – **Sunday 30 April** (St Mark's Day) in the church hall after church. Please bring a plate/ dessert/ drink to share.

Coffee & Chat is in the Church Hall from 10am – 12pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of the Month

## **Bible Study Groups**

Women's Bible Study:

**Mondays** 7-7:30pm catch up, 7:30-9pm Prayer & Study in Bassendean – Contact Donna – 0401 615 819

Men's Bible Studies:

Tuesdays 6:30pm in Bayswater - Contact Mark - 0406 659 249

Also **Tuesdays** 6:30pm - location varies between Swan View and Bassendean

Contact Roger - 0408 096 022

Wednesdays 5-6pm in the church - Contact John - 0405 640 740

Men's & Women's Bible Studies:

Wednesdays 9-10am in the church led by John - 0405 640 740

Thursdays 7:30pm in Caversham at Charles and Charmaine's place. Contact

Charmaine - 0421 868 321

# MISSION PROJECT UPDATE Information for your Prayers



## **TEAR Fund Australia**

**Tearfund's** mission is to promote food security in hard places. They partner with overseas organizations that have a commitment to build resilience and develop tools to enable people in these places to emerge from a crisis. Prayer is at the heart of TEARFUND, and this is how they advise how to pray for TEARFUND partners in their local contexts.

- Sudan uncertain political situation and water shortage.
- Uganda drought.
- Ethiopia and Somalia

  war, displaced people through war and drought.
- Yemen war disrupted economy.
- Zimbabwe pray that calm and stability will prevail re the outcome of elections.
- Mozambigue people deal with distress of cyclones.
- Afghanistan 2/3 of population still need humanitarian assistance.
- Pakistan floods destroy homes and crops.
- India TEARFUND partners training farmers in sustainable cropping.
- Sri Lanka economic crisis prevents parents from providing basic school equipment.
- Nepal TEARFUND encourages girls to remain at school.
- Bangladesh successful aid projects enabling communities to be independent.
- Myanmar military coup & COVID
- Laos limited health care. TEARFUND equipping parents with education and nutrition.
- Cambodia Partner helping people become more engaged with local issues.
- Indonesia health and nutrition.
- Australia Nungalinya College training indigenous students and running Faith and Family Wellbeing Course.
- Solomon Islands climate change and rising ocean level making water salty and restricting crops.

St Mark's supports TEARFUND, the legacy left by our dear sister, the late Prof. Denese Playford.

## For more info speak to Barbara M.

### **Youth Group**

Youth Group meets fortnightly during term time for young people in years 4-9. We play crazy games then share a meal and learn about Jesus together. Dinner provided. Saturdays 4-6pm, at the Church Hall - all welcome.

Term 2 Dates: TBA

Contact Andrew, Ros, or Brenton

Financial Information for February 2023:

Total income: \$9,514.77 made up as follows:

Envelopes - \$1,855.00 Direct Giving - \$5,249.77 Open Plate - \$970.00 Other - \$1,440.00

**Total Expenses: \$15,000.82** 

## 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).