

# February Church Program



St Marks **Avalon** & St Davids **Palm Beach**

ANGLICAN CHURCH

St Marks Avalon	5 Feb	12 Feb	19 Feb	26 Feb
<b>Sermon</b>	Wisdom: Pride and Humility	Wisdom: Meaninglessness	Wisdom: The Seasons of Life	Wisdom: Fear God
<b>Preacher</b>	Matt Davies	Pete Sholl	Stuart Holman	Matt Davies
<b>Leader 10am</b>	Peter Gimbert	Stuart Holman	Rod Post	Stuart Holman
<b>Leader 6 pm</b>	Stuart Holman	Matt Davies	Matt Davies	Stuart Holman
<b>Reading 1</b>	John 3:1-21	John 4:1-42	John 4:43-54	John 5:1-30
<b>Reading 2</b>	Prov 8:12-21, 11:1-4	TBA from Eccl. 1-9	Eccl 3:1-15	Eccl 11:7-12:14

  

St Davids Palm Beach	HC	combined at St Marks	SS3	SS2
<b>Sermon</b>	Wisdom: The Fear of the Lord	Peter and Sarah Sholl: CMS	Wisdom: Fear God	Wisdom: The Seasons of Life
<b>Preacher</b>	Stuart Holman	##	Matt Davies	Jim Longley
<b>Leader</b>	Stuart Holman	##	Matt Davies	Sally Longley
<b>Reading 1</b>	John 3:1-21	##	John 4:43-54	John 5:1-30
<b>Reading 2</b>	Proverbs 1:1-7	##	Eccl 11:7-12:14	Eccl 3:1-15

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## Word to the Wise

We are all on the search for wisdom. In fact when people depart from that search, our society has harsh words to say to them. Names such as foolish old man, young fool, silly little girl.

We search for wisdom in many areas of life, from work and finance, to friends and family.

But what is true wisdom?

The Wisdom literature of the Bible helps us to grapple with that question and offers us an answer. Firstly it is a right understanding of the world summed up in the intriguing phrase 'to fear God'. Yet this is just the 'beginning of wisdom'.

The many books in the Bible's wisdom literature offer insights into the varied nature of life. Wisdom on the issue of finding meaning, dealing with suffering and living truly the blessed life in God's world.

The wisdom literature also points us to a greater reality in Jesus. He is wisdom personified. He is the Way, the Truth, the Life. He is the blessed king of the kingdom, the honoured son of the Father, the humble one and the one who offers wisdom for eternal life.

Lets seek this wisdom together.

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## Let's meet Tom Pattison

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Tom is stoked to be starting up at Barrenjoey High as the PASWCA worker for 2012. After becoming a Christian in high school, this outgoing 21 year old has recently completed his arts undergraduate degree from Sydney University, majoring in Studies of Religion. For Tom, outside is the place to be; anything from surfing to bushwalking to tennis, but behind that sporty exterior lies a secret booknerd, a closet guitar player with a recently developed affection for green tea. His passion for youth ministry was developed when he left high school through heavy involvement with Christ Church St Ives and Crusaders Youth Ministries.

### Social Media

Did you know that we have our own FaceBook page? If not, look up 'St Marks Avalon' and make sure you 'like' us.

## Notes and News

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### Kicking off in 2012

As the school term kicks back into gear most of our ministries return to full-strength. Ark and After D'Ark, playgroup, home-groups, skatepark, prayer groups.

### Our Youth Ministry in 2012

For the past few months we have been praying for and seeking a Youth Minister to lead our Youth Ministries here at St Marks. Please continue to pray and assist as you are able.

### Play Group is Moving

Parents of kids below Pre-school this is to let you know that St Marks Playgroup will now be held on WEDNESDAY from 9:30am-11:30am. For further info see Matt or Amy Davies.

### Christianity Explored Course

This informal course held at Matt and Amy's house on Thursday evenings gives you time and space to explore the big questions of who Jesus is and what this means for your life. If you're interested in joining us please let Matt know. [matt@stmarksavalon.org.au](mailto:matt@stmarksavalon.org.au) or ph. 9974 2634. Begins Feb 9.

### Special Scripture Request

We are seeking to raise \$1000 for resources for scripture in 2012. If you are able to help please give in the special envelopes provided.

### The Ark / After D'Ark

We will be kicking off this term on Feb 10.

### The Ark Year 6-8

Avalon Recreation Centre  
6pm-8pm \$5

Ark Leader: Rod Post  
ph. 0401 007925

### After D'Ark Years 9+

Keen Hall  
8:15pm-10pm \$2

After D'Ark Leader: Matt Davies  
ph. 99742634

### PIPPA

Meeting 6pm Friday 3rd of Feb at Newport Presbyterian Church for prayer and praise commencing at 6:30pm. More information: Carolyn Mills 9918 8945.

### Contacting the church

Throughout February you can contact the church office by phone: 9918 2829, leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible, or by email: [mail@stmarksavalon.org.au](mailto:mail@stmarksavalon.org.au)

**6PM NiteChurch** will be back inside the St Marks building after our Summer Church series at Clareville Beach. Please join us 6pm for a coffee.