

Easter 3

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

18 April 2021

Today's readings: 1 John 2.3-3.6; Ps 4; Luke 24.36-48

Sunday Services are now at Torquay and Anglesea

COVID updates - No masks required the Diocese recommends wearing masks for those serving communion.

We have been reminded by the Diocese and DHHS that we are not to use books during services. This means we must always use the projector at Torquay and find a solution for this for Anglesea services.

Church services and the op shop are operating with the 2sqm rule where with QR codes. If you don't sign in with the QR code we need to do 4sqm.

Weddings and funerals can occur as previously under the same rules for church services.

If you are unwell and showing symptoms of COVID, which are like symptoms of a cold, get tested and isolate while waiting for the results. Results are returned very quickly now, often in 24hours.

Surfcoast Parish acknowledges the Wadawurrung community as the traditional owners of the land on which we worship. We pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

Parish Mission (our purpose)

Surfcoast Anglican Parish exists to:

- nurture people's relationship with God;
- encourage people by example to live by the teachings of Jesus;
- engage and work with the broader community.

Parish Vision (our aspiration)

An enthusiastic and welcoming Church valued for its contribution to the wellbeing of the Surf Coast community; and for providing ways for people to explore their spirituality.

THIS COMING WEEK

Mon 19 Apr Sharon's Day off

Tue 20 Apr St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open

Mainly Music, at Transfiguration 10am (Tues term time) - TBA

Wed 21 Apr Mainly Music, at St Luke's 10am (Wed term time) - Open

Group Meditation, Transfiguration 11am (weekly)

Thu 22 Apr St Aidan's Meetings, 10:30am weekly - in Recess

Craft Group, 1.30pm @ Peggy Forbes Home

Fri 23 Apr St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open

Sat 24 Apr St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open

Church Services

2nd & 4th Thurs St Aidan's Aireys Inlet, 10:30am Eucharist - TBA

1st Sun St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist, no screen or music - 2 May

St Luke's Torquay, 6pm Taizé Service - 2 May

Weekly Sun Transfiguration Anglesea, 9:00am Eucharist - Open

St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist - *Open*

Easter 4: Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23; 1 John 3:3-24; John 10:11-18

Regular Parish Meetings

Sharon @ Shire Trgy/Bell/JJuc Community Action - fortnightly Monday 1:30-3pm

Parish Council - 4th Wednesday 7pm @ St Luke's - 28 Apr

Torquay Home Group - fortnightly Thurs 7:30pm @ Clement's - Next TBA

Torquay Craft Group - 2nd & 4th Thurs 1.30pm @ Peggy Forbes Home - 13 & 27 May

Maintenance Committee - 1st Thursday 11am @ St Luke's - 6 May

Star of the Sea Aged Care - 4th Friday 11am Eucharist - 28 May

St Aidan's Bible Study - 1st, 3rd, 5th Thurs 10.30am @ St Aidan's - next TBA

Parish Lunch - 1st Tues Noon @ Jan Juc Hotel - next TBA

History Group - 4th Wed 11am @ St Luke's - next TBA

General News

St Luke's 75th Anniversary - The anniversary of moving the current St Luke's church building to the Torquay site occurs on the first Sunday in August 2022, when regular services began after the building arrived in 1947. I would like to gather a group who will think, collaborate and plan how we will celebrate - either a few events across the year or one in August. Please get in contact with Sharon or a Council member if you are interested. The current building for St Aidan's held it's rededication in March and consecration in May 1986 and the current Transfiguration building had its first service in February 1957.

New Op Shop Coordinator - As Barry Butcher steps back from his role as an Op Shop Coordinator and remains a volunteer helping with the books, we will be celebrating his fantastic contribution to the shop in May sometime.

We are pleased to announce Roger Brown will take up the Coordinator role, resigning from his current Warden and council roles as of 1 June. Roger will be a great asset in the Shop as he is already well known to the team. Council are considering whether we wait to appoint a replacement at the APM in Oct/Nov or hold a special parish meeting to appoint someone sooner.

Taize Service - no service April, next service 6pm 2nd May.

Reconciliation Action Plan - As part of our Acknowledgement of First Nations peoples as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we worship, the Diocese encourages us to have a reconciliation action plan. This helps us to genuinely work toward strong and respectful relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, to develop our understanding of the work of reconciliation and to commit to appropriate local action. If you would like to join a Working on the Heart group that is committed to this process in the Parish please contact Sharon.

EFT DIRECT GIVING via ADF Parish Account

Electronic giving is one way to contribute regularly and privately to Parish ministry. If you would like to give this way, take a form from the foyer or the website, fill it in and mail it off. Laminated slips are available in the foyer for you to place in the offertory bowl, to participate physically in worship during this part of a service.

BANK GIVING

If you are not able to make use of the ADF giving pathway, we encourage you to deposit your contribution to the Parish account at the Bendigo Bank, or contact Ken for some envelopes. Any cheques must be made to Surfcoast Anglican Parish. Contact the Office or a warden for bank details, please do not mail cash.

Safety From Violence and Abuse

If you are at risk of family violence, or abuse by another person in your home, safe accommodation and support is available. Call Safe Steps on 1800 015 188 or email safesteps@safesteps.org.au for help 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can also call 1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732) or look on their website to find support.

Torquay Food Aid - With the ending of Jobkeeper/Jobseeker many are concerned that the demand for our assistance services will be even more important and valued by our local community. Here's some requests for donations to Food Aid: April - Hair products/Baby nappies/Person hygiene products; May - Milo & Nescafe Coffee; June - Washing Detergent/Powder & Dishwashing tablets. And other non perishables.

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday