



St Luke's, Torquay

Transfiguration, Anglesea

St Aidan's, Aireys Inlet

St Luke's Op Shop

Pentecost 6

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

4 July 2021

Today's readings: Ezekiel 2; Ps 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Sunday Services are now at Torquay and Anglesea

Torquay service is on the church website

Mark has been leading us to answer - who is this man? He has shown us people who recognise the identity and authority of Jesus when they see it. Jairus who submitted to Jesus despite the views of his peers and his pride. A chronically ill and marginalised woman who was restored to health. Many others in the Gospels put the pieces together: the words, actions, power and character of Jesus all point to his identity. This man is the Son of God!

In his hometown they can't accept what is obvious to Jairus and the woman. Isn't that Jesus? Isn't it Joseph and Mary's son? Well, didn't he grow up right here?

How would we behave if a young man born en route to Geelong Hospital, who went to Aireys Primary School, and played with our kids at Anglesea Mainly Music, turned up to teach on Sunday. If he said the sort of things Jesus did? If he corrected our attitude and asked us to do things differently? Would we be indignant if he went about healing people who lived behind the dunes and regularly had morning tea at the Op Shop instead of coming to church with us? How would we feel if he started to call us out on our hypocrisy? I imagine we'd be much the same as the Nazareth folk... In this story it is not those who are encountering Jesus for the first time but those who have known him for years who are questioning Jesus' identity, rejecting his claims and responding to his teaching with offence.

May we be like the disciples instead, who took up the invitation to share in Jesus' ministry of justice, miracles and truth. Who spoke of their experience of being in Jesus' company. They didn't always understand what was going on around them but they followed Jesus, and became more like him as the days went by.

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 5 July Sharon's Day off

*Tue 6 July St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open
Mainly Music, at Transfiguration 10am (Tues term time) - Term 3*

*Wed 7 July Mainly Music, at St Luke's 10am (Wed term time) - Term 3
Group Meditation, Transfiguration 11am (weekly)*

Thu 8 July Torquay Craft Group - 1.30pm @ TBA contact Peggy/Barbara

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

Sat 10 July 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 - 4 July
St Luke's Torquay, 6pm Taizé Service - 4 July*

*Weekly Sun Transfiguration Anglesea, 9:00am Eucharist - Open
St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist - Open*

Pentecost 7: Amos 7:7-14; Ps 85:8-13; Ephesians 1:1-14; Mark 6:14-29

Regular Parish Meetings

Sharon @ Shire Trqy/Bell/JJuc Community Action - 1st Monday 1:30-3pm

Sharon @ Shire Anglesea Community Action - 2nd Wednesday 2pm

Shire Community Leaders Community of Practice - 5 August 11:30am

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

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

Torquay Craft Group - 2nd & 4th Thurs 1.30pm @ TBA contact Peggy/Barbara - 22 July

Maintenance Committee - 1st Thursday 10am @ St Luke's - TBA June

St Aidan's Bible Study - 1st, 3rd, 5th Thurs 10.30am @ St Aidan's - *in Recess*

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

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

St Aidan's Bible Study - "Finding Life in Jesus' Hard Teachings on Money," will start Thursday the 24th June, at 10.30am at St Aidan's for 4 weeks. Hosted by the Uniting Church. Contact Mary Bremner for details.

General News

Torquay Food Aid - Thank you to everyone who donated goods in the last few months.

Parish History - We are planning a parish lunch in August 15th to celebrate the launch of Norma's '*A History of The Surf Coast Anglican Churches*', and to thank a number of others for their work in the parish. **We will have a combined service at 10am at St Luke's beforehand. More details to follow.**

Torquay Service online - If you would like to be a part of the parish from home at anytime, Sunday services at Torquay are recorded and made available on the Church @ Home section of the parish website. www.surfcoastanglican.org.au/page/

Organ Recital Tom Healy - U3A recital will be held again at St Luke's, Tuesday 14/9 at 2pm COVID permitting.

COVID updates - Masks mandatory indoors, distancing outdoors. The 2sqm rule applies. That means 30 in St Luke's church, 10 in the foyer and meeting room, 72 in the hall. Anglesea with 24 in church, 20 in foyer. 15 extras can be in the home, making craft and Torquay home group possible. **BUT WE MUST ALL CHECK IN DIGITALLY** - by phone or the iPad at church.

Apart from church services other meetings can take place in our facilities. The 2sqm rule with numbers on the signs applies. For the Op Shop if there is a COVID check-in marshal, a 2sqm rule applies, it can have up to 25 people without a COVID check-in marshal and no density limit.

Weddings & funerals can have a total of 300 people plus those required to conduct the service with a 4sqm rule or half the number on the sign.

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 often in 24hours. Please get immunised for both COVID and the flu.

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, Help to Change

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.
OR call 1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732) or look on their website to find support
For counselling for men who have anger, relationship or parenting issues call the Men's Referral Service on 1300 766 491

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Call this number at any time. All information provided is confidential. 1800 135 246

Or "Confidential" to the Director of Professional Standards

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday