



St Luke's, Torquay

Transfiguration, Anglesea

St Aidan's, Aireys Inlet

St Luke's Op Shop

# Pentecost 21

## Surfcoast Anglican Parish

17 October 2021

Today's readings: Isaiah 53:4-12; Psalm 91:9-16; Heb 5:1-10; Mark 10:32-45

Church in person at Anglesea and Torquay

### The Good News

The longer the virus goes on  
The more I'm missing friends  
I'm wondering if they're missing me  
And if this will ever end  
But then the more it goes on  
The more I've had time to reflect  
And the more I've begun to realise  
I'm guilty of some neglect  
There are those I've somehow forgotten  
Things I've completely ignored  
Chores I've postponed forever  
Items to be restored  
This is quite apart from my soul  
Which seems to have suffered, too  
In the rush to live life to the full  
There's been a bit of a skew  
Material things first and foremost  
I'm sure you know what I mean  
Meaning the good news in all of this  
Is the chance to wipe the slate clean.

*Bani McSpeddon*

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 18 Oct Sharon's Day off*

*Tue 19 Oct St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open*  
*Mainly Music, at Transfiguration 10am (Tues term time) - TBA*

*Wed 20 Oct Mainly Music, at St Luke's 10am (Wed term time) - TBA*  
*Group Meditation, Transfiguration 11am (weekly) - TBA*

*Thu 21 Oct*

*Fri 22 Oct St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open*

*Sat 23 Oct St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open*

### Church Services

*1st Sun St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist, no screen - 7 November*  
*St Luke's Torquay, 6pm Taizé Service - 7 November*

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

*Pentecost 20: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 126; Heb 7.21-28; Mark 1 10.46-52*

### Regular Parish Meetings

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

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

**Sharon @ Shire Community Leaders Community of Practice -**

**Sharon @ HousingChallenge3230 - Mondays 2pm**

**Sharon @ Seaside Care Group Anglesea - monthly/as needed**

**Parish Council - 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 7pm @ St Luke's - 27 Oct**

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

**Torquay Craft Group - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs 1.30pm @ contact Peggy/Barbara - TBA**

**Maintenance Committee - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 10am @ St Luke's - TBA**

**Parish Lunch - 1<sup>st</sup> Tues Noon @ Jan Juc Hotel - in recess**

**Current Restrictions** - Church services max 20 - book in for Torquay with Roger. Mask wearing inside and outside other than the leader. Digital Check in. Hall can be used for meetings with max 20 people and 4sqm rule. Funerals 20, weddings 10. Op Shop 4sqm rule. Morning teas can be served and people must be seated.

**COVID Roadmap stages** - Details for church/Diocese/us to be confirmed, we need to decide whether we have mixed services of lower numbers (20, 25 in 100sqm venue), and/or vaccinated only services of larger numbers, and work out how this affects the Shop as well. We are planning for Christmas to be affected by these requirements.

## General News

**Vaccinated/Unvaccinated/Mixed Services** - The Roadmap has put us in the position of having to manage activities in light of one's vaccination status SOON. We are making plans to manage issues sensibly and confidentially; to have our activities continue as much as possible; to enable maximum people to attend; recognising the rules may change, that this is stressful but also a temporary measure. **A letter has been sent out by mail/email and is on the notice board.**

We respect that some may not yet be double vaccinated or have different views about vaccination. To help us plan, it will be helpful if **EVERY** member would do one of:

1. email confirming that you are, or will soon be, fully vaccinated; or
2. give me a call to have a chat if you have made the decision not to be double vaccinated at this time, (you need not tell me the reason) or have concerns or
3. call me for a chat if you have reasons not to attend a mixed setting, or have concerns about it

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**Personal information will remain with me alone: overall numbers will be shared with Council for planning.**

**Parish Council 2022** - We are moving toward the AGM/APM. The present Council have discussed options of having 6 rather than 9 on Council in 2022. An outline of the two options has been sent, and at the Annual Meeting we vote to decide what to do. See the Letter that is on the Notice Boards and being mailed/emailed.

**14th November Combined service 10:00am at St Lukes then APM/AGM.**

**Reports:** can all those who need to submit reports to me for the APM please get them to me as soon as they can. It takes some time to collate them all and print those we need to. I will make some printed copies available but will send a PDF file to those on the email list.

I expect we will hold the APM in a combination form - in person at Torquay so we can use the camera and online for those who cannot attend.

### **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](mailto: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

**Australian Religious Response to Climate Change** - today the 17th October we will ring our church bells to indicate the urgency of Climate Change Action. This date has been chosen because it is just before the crucial UN climate negotiations in Glasgow. [https://www.arrcc.org.au/day\\_of\\_action](https://www.arrcc.org.au/day_of_action)

**Clearance for Service** - those who have been asked to do a Clearance for Service, please send your Clearance Certificate to Sharon when you receive it, as well as a PDF of your online training for our records.

**NCLS** - This year we will participate in November. More info will follow.

## Complaints

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*Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday*