

Lent 1

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

26 February 2023

Readings on Service Sheet

We are called to say yes.

That the kingdom might break through to renew and to transform Our dark and groping world.

We stutter and we stammer to the lone God who calls
And pleads a New Jerusalem in the bloodied Sinai Straights.
We are called to say yes, that honeysuckle may twine
And twist its smelling leaves, over the graves of nuclear arms.

We are called to say yes, that children might play

On the soil of Vietnam where the tanks belched blood and death.

We are called to say yes, that black may sing with white

And pledge peace and healing for the hatred of the past.

We are called to say yes so that nations might gather

And dance one great movement

For the joy of humankind . . .

Edwina Gately, from "Called to Say Yes.".

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.

Church Services

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

Weekly Sun Transfiguration Anglesea, 9:00am Eucharist

St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist

Online St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne

www.cathedral.org.au/worship

Readings Next Week: Gen1:12:1-4a; Ps 121; Romans 4:1-15,13-17; John 3:1-17

Regular Gatherings

Mon Sharon's Day off

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

Mainly Music, 10am @ Transfiguration (term time)

Wed Mainly Music, 10am @ St Luke's (term time)

Group Meditation, 11am Transfiguration (weekly)

Parish Council - 4th Wed 7pm - at St Luke's (monthly) - Mar 1

Thu Maintenance Committee - 10am @ St Luke's (1st Thu)

Craft/Social Group - 1.30pm, Peggy/Barbara (2nd & 4th Thu)
Torquay Home Group - Pm Thurs, Helen/Jess (fortnightly)

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

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

Other Meetings

Sharon @ Seaside Care Group Anglesea - Monthly TBA

Sharon @ Area Deanery - TBA

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Mar Su 3 World Day of Prayer Uniting Torquay 1pm

5 Bishop Kate Visits 10:30am St Luke's combined and MTea

Th 30 Kay's Fashion

Apr Fr 7 Maundy Thursday 9/10:30

8 Good Friday 9/10:30 Su 9 Easter Sunday 9/10:30

Sa 15 Fete St Luke's School Holidays

Su 30 5th Sunday Combined Churches Transfiguration 9am

Jul Su 30 5th Sunday Combined Churches Baptist

- Pancake Night St Luke's 21 Feb 6.00pm for 6.30pm Thanks to Helen for her coordination and all who contributed food, setup/packup and kitchen assistance and to Irwin, Roger and Terry for their items during the evening. We raised over \$1000 which will be divided evenly to the Gaza Hospital and the Ramps Project.
- Maintenance Thank you to Roger, John Bo. Alistair, Richard, Geoff and John Be, and Ben who worked hard last week to finish the drainage area between the Op Shop and the boundary fence, and to Barbara who provided refreshments. It was a hot day moving scoria but it has greatly improved the area, and we trust will help us overcome the problems of weeds and water movement in heavy rain.
- Ray Woods Exhibition until 12 Mar 10-4pm @ Anglesea Art Space, our icons will be on display. Please visit to celebrate Ray's work.
- **Parish Fete** Saturday 15th April. Richard Kelly is this year's coordinator. He is getting up to speed with Julienne. Expect more news shortly.
- Bishop Kate visit 5th March Combined Parish Service 10:30am at St Luke's
- We will have a private adult confirmation service in the morning, please be respectful of this service if you are arriving early for rosters for the 10:30am service.
- The St Luke's service is Lent 2, and Bp Kate has been invited to share morning tea with us. Parish Council members will meet with her briefly after morning tea.
- Music @ St Luke's presents Musicians of the Great Ocean Road Concerts Sundays 3pm 1. Trio Océanique 19th Mar classical: Beethoven, Mozart and Dohnanyi. 2. Decanto 13 Aug Acapella group 3. Bach by the Ocean 22 Oct 4. Musicians of the Great Ocean Road 22 Oct chamber string

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

orchestra. Olivier Bonnici for details or the noticeboard for those who would like to attend.

U3A Invitation - Cambridge academic, Rev Dr Lynne Broughton will be giving an Occasional Lecture for U3A Surfcoast on Thursday Feb 23 on Lincoln Cathedral. Lynne has lectured at the University of Cambridge and published books on Ely and Lincoln Cathedrals. The lecture will be at Torquay Improvement Association, 12 Price St Torquay at 2.30pm. Visitors are welcome. The several lectures she's given us over the years have always been well received. A fascinating afternoon is assured.

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday