

Trinity Sunday

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

4 June 2023

When I am among the trees,
especially the willows and the honey locust,
equally the beech, the oaks and the pines,
they give off such hints of gladness.
I would almost say that they save me, and daily.

I am so distant from the hope of myself, in which I have goodness, and discernment, and never hurry through the world but walk slowly, and bow often.

Around me the trees stir in their leaves and call out, "Stay awhile."

The light flows from their branches.

And they call again, "It's simple," they say, "and you too have come into the world to do this, to go easy, to be filled with light, and to shine."

Mary Oliver

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 - July 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

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)

LyCiG - zoom at home or church 21/6,19/7,16/8,20/9,18/10,15/11

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

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

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

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Jun	7-9	Clergy Ministry Conference Melbourne
Su	18	10:30am Confirmation/Baptism Combined Parish Service
		@ St Luke's Bp Brad Billings
Jul Su	30	5th Sunday Combined Churches Baptist
Oct Sa	12	Windfire Concert Tom Healy St Luke's 12:30-1pm free
	30	5th Combined Churches Catholic 6pm
Dec Su	31	5th Sunday Combined Churches

Leave - I am grateful for the time away, and for all the hands who contributed to make this possible for us and for the parish while I was away.

Ben and I spent time in Istanbul with his family who met us there, his mother and his sister and brother-in-law and twins Benjamin and Benita aged 7. We had a quick stay in Rome seeing the Colosseum and walking around, then seeing a old friend in Bristol, and some walking walking walking in London. Very blessed by this time. I've managed to finish one subject in some study, nearly. And did a meditative few days reflecting on and in forest images with a group of Ignatian companions.

I was sad to be away as two dear ones were farewelled from our company - Mary Sixsmith and Helen Reed, but grateful to have spent special time with each of them in the week before my leave. We will miss their cheeriness and deep faith. They are resting from their labours and alive with the Lord. We are reminded of the hope we have, and the promise of resurrection.

I look forward to catching up with you.

Music @ St Luke's - Please encourage others to enjoy the remaining concerts. Musicians of the Great Ocean Road Concerts Sundays 3pm - #2.

Bach by the Ocean - NEW DATE 18th June. #3. Decanto - 13 Aug Acapella group #4. Musicians of the Great Ocean Road - 22 Oct chamber string orchestra. Olivier Bonnici for details or the noticeboard.

Training after Sharon's leave - training/refreshers at St Luke's in June/July for projector operators, communion assistants and home communion. No dates are set as yet.

Combined Parish Service 10:30am 18th June St Luke's - Bp Brad will lead a baptism and confirmation service followed by morning tea. Bring a plate, share a Sunday together and meet our new Bishop.

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

St Aidan's Uniting Church invitations

 Revisiting A Voice in the Wilderness: Listening to the Statement from the Heart. A deeply challenging and rewarding study by ABM that some of us journeyed. A good time to consider the material again in the lead up to the Voice to Parliament. Numbers needed for material to be ordered/ printed off. Starts Thursday 22nd June 10:30am St Aidans

www.abmission.org/resources/a-voice-in-the-wilderness/

 Dadirri Walk (Aboriginal for deep Listening). A plan to hold a Dadirri Walk on Sunday, July 16th, 2023, 2:30 PM. An opportunity to learn more about ourselves and Aboriginal practices. More information to follow

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday