



St Luke's, Torquay

Transfiguration, Anglesea

St Aidan's, Aireys Inlet

St Luke's Op Shop

6th Sunday After Pentecost

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

9 July 2023

God of truth uncovered, you trace the sparrow's flight,
and plumb the secret places of the heart:
bring our fear and conflict into the light of your presence;
help us to lose our hollow life and find our way to you.

— Steven Shakespeare

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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

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| <i>1st Sun</i> | St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist, no screen - Aug 6 |
| <i>Weekly Sun</i> | 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

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| Mon | <i>Sharon's Day off</i> |
| Tue | St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (<i>weekly</i>) Mainly Music, 10am @ Transfiguration (<i>term time</i>) |
| Wed | Mainly Music, 10am @ St Luke's (<i>term time</i>) Group Meditation, 11am Transfiguration (<i>weekly</i>) LyCiG - zoom at home or church 21/6, 19/7, 16/8, 20/9, 18/10, 15/11 Parish Council - 4 th Wed 2pm - at St Luke's (<i>monthly</i>) - 28/7 |
| Thu | Maintenance Committee - 10am @ St Luke's (<i>1st Thu</i>) - TBC Craft/Social Group - 1.30pm, Peggy/Barbara (<i>2nd & 4th Thu</i>) Torquay Home Group - Pm Thurs, Helen/Jess (<i>fortnightly</i>) |
| Fri | St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (<i>weekly</i>) |
| Sat | St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (<i>weekly</i>) |

Other Meetings

Sharon @ Seaside Care Group Anglesea - Monthly TBA
Sharon @ Area Deanery - TBA

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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| Jul | Su | 30 | 5th Sunday Combined Churches Baptist |
| Aug | Su | 13 | Acapella Group St Luke's 3pm - Music @ St Luke's |
| Sep | Su | 10 | Rev'd John Sanderson - LyCiG both services |
| Oct | Sa | 12 | Windfire Concert Tom Healy St Luke's 12:30-1pm free |
| | Su | 22 | Musicians of GOR Strings St Luke's 3pm - Music @ St Luke's |
| | Sa | 28 | 5th Combined Churches Catholic 6pm |
| Nov | Th | 23 | Kay's Fashion Fundraiser @ St Luke's |
| Dec | Su | 31 | 5th Sunday Combined Churches |

Visiting Speaker Hospital Chaplain Rev'd Sheridan Hannah - will lead and speak at both of our services on the 16th July. I will be in Anglesea at a prayer retreat in the Catholic centre, meeting with Jesus for myself and the parish. I have been talking to Sheridan about her ministry, and the disappearing funding for that important work. It will be good for us to hear about her work in Geelong's public hospital. Do make her welcome.

George Freijah's Memorial Service - St Luke's 10:30am Thursday 13th July. Keep the family in your prayers.

Baptisms - Zachary and Eleanor Cullen will be baptised at St Luke's on Sat 15th July and Milana Ritchie at St Luke's on Sun 23th July.

Parish Council - We are waiting for our ramp plans to be updated, and submitted for approval and building. We are advised the whole roof at St Luke's will need replacing, we have leaks already and are seeking quotes. The Parish is taking over the registration costs of Mainly Music for our 2 centres. St Aidan's will be hired by St Kilda Community Baptist Church for a retreat in October. Plaques for the picnic tables at St Aidans are attached. Council will now meet at 2pm on the 4th Wednesday.

Pastoral Support Team Report - The PSTeam and Bishop noted the willingness of people to be involved and open in the conversations. Several items are being addressed: future of the parish is in discussion at LyCiG, in Reimagining the Future and other conversations. Further understanding of the needs of our congregations are needed but work is being done. There are differing expectations of the role of Vicar. There has been breakdown of communication between some members and the vicar and need for work on respectful dialogue and listening, as well as conflict management. Governance issues continue to need attention and understanding. Council discussed all the matters, noting an improved atmosphere but ongoing

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

concerns, they reflected on communication gaps and how they might be addressed.

It is not possible for Sharon to have a regular day in the office but appointments can always be made. She always carries her mobile phone and makes appointments as soon as possible. A message can be left under the office door or in the perspex box, or by email. Needs and concerns must be brought to the attention of the Council or Sharon if they are to be addressed.

Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG) - At our second meeting we looked at Prayer, our Presence in the community, the Proclamation of the Good News, and Persuasion, in terms of opportunities for people to learn about faith. **Please take a Prayer for Growth fridge magnet.**

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday