



St Luke's, Torquay

Transfiguration, Anglesea

St Aidan's, Aireys Inlet

St Luke's Op Shop

# Pentecost 25

## Surfcoast Anglican Parish

19 November 2023

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

**Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG) Local** - Our next meeting will be at St Luke's on 15 November at 7pm. Sharon meets with Clergy LyCiG 7th November at All Saints.

**LyCiG conference** - February 27-29th in Melbourne.

**Al Ali Hospital Gaza** - We send funds to this hospital via Anglican Overseas Aid which ensures it arrives safely. We will be sending support shortly, but if you would like to add anything extra we can forward it with our donation.

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

<i>1st Sun</i>	St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist, no screen - Dec 3
<i>Weekly Sun</i>	Transfiguration Anglesea, 9:00am Eucharist St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist
Online	St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne <a href="http://www.cathedral.org.au/worship">www.cathedral.org.au/worship</a>

## Regular Gatherings

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> ) <i>LyCiG - zoom at home or church 15/11</i> Parish Council - 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed 2pm - at St Luke's ( <i>monthly</i> ) - 22/11
Thu	Maintenance Committee - 10am @ St Luke's ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Thu</i> ) - TBC Craft/Social Group - 1.30pm, Peggy/Barbara ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Thu</i> ) Torquay Home Group - Thurs pm, Helen/Jess TBC
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 - TBA  
Sharon @ Area Deanery - TBA

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Nov Th	22	Bp Brad meets with Parish Council 2pm
Su	26	APM Torquay after 10:30am service
Dec Su	10	Op Shop Christmas Party Noon @ Jill's house St Aidan's Community Carols 7pm
Sa	16	Carols by the Sea Torquay Elephant Walk 4pm
Su	17	Lessons & Carols @ Torquay with Claritude Musicians
Su	22	Anglesea Lions Carols
	24	Candlelight Carols Transfiguration 7pm, St Luke's 9pm
Su	31	5th Sunday Combined Churches - Anglican
Jan Su	21	Surf Coast Camino @ Aireys Inlet with UCA 12:30pm Split Pt
Feb	27-29	Leading Your Church Into Growth Conference 2024

**Violin & Piano Recital @ St Paul's Geelong 19th Nov 3pm** - Olivier Bonnici and Sonoka Miyake are playing Bach, Cesar Franck and Kreisler. Cash at door \$20 and \$15 concession, kids under 12 free.

**Lessons & Carols 17th December St Luke's 10:30** - Claritude will provide music for a lessons and carols service.

**Parish Council Nov 22nd** - As part of future conversations, Bp Brad will meet with Council at St Luke's. The core of our conversation will be about the possible re-connection with Lorne. Lorne has similar challenges to us, has no debt but is unable to find governance and Fr Irwin and Rosemary have been providing some Sunday services for them during this year.

Any comments or questions that you would like to contribute to the conversation should be in written form with your name so we can table them at the meeting.

**Carols by the Sea** - This combined churches event needs volunteers for the fairy floss machine and others to walk around picking up rubbish and emptying bins into skip bins throughout the arvo/evening. Speak to Sharon if you are interested.

**APM Sunday 26th November 10:30am St Luke's** - short combined parish service followed by the APM meeting. No service at Transfiguration. If you are responsible for submitting a report now is the time to send it to Sharon. Bring and share lunch afterwards if you wish to do so.

Bronwyn Patrick has offered to continue as Councillor and Treasurer, Richard Kelly will serve as Warden, and Roger is willing to stand as Warden again. Rosalind Bonnici will continue as a Councillor. This is 4 of 6 needed which means we have a quorum. If you would like to serve please speak to Sharon. We have a Warden and Councillor spot free.

#### **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

**Communion on St Luke's Grass over Summer** - Relaxed format to meet with people looking for connection who are out and about during the week. We are collaborating with City On A Hill Surf Coast and in response to God's leading. More info will follow as we confirm our plans. Keep it in prayer.

**Maintenance** - we hoping to have work completed on the rotten weatherboards around Price St entrance at St Luke's by Christmas and waiting for a quote to replace the ramp with steps at the Office door. We are waiting on the surveyor re the Hall Ramp. We discovered the need to replace timbers in the memorial garden pergola at St Aidan's and many of the window frames need attention. The Uniting Church is helping us to clear up the dead trees around the property before fire season.

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