



St Luke's, Torquay

Transfiguration, Anglesea

St Aidan's, Aireys Inlet

St Luke's Op Shop

12th Sunday After Pentecost

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

20 August 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) - At our 4th meeting on 16/8 we considered worship. We looked at sacred and social aspects, what might be good/challenging/confusing to visitors especially those who have little or no church background, and those from other traditions. We discussed what we might do to improve and build on some things. We will be joining the 2nd Cohort in of parishes getting extra assistance with this program.

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 - Sep 3
<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

<i>Mon</i>	<i>Sharon's Day off</i>
<i>Tue</i>	St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (<i>weekly</i>) Mainly Music, 10am @ Transfiguration (<i>term time</i>)
<i>Wed</i>	Mainly Music, 10am @ St Luke's (<i>term time</i>) Group Meditation, 11am Transfiguration (<i>weekly</i>) LyCiG - zoom at home or church 20/9, 18/10, 15/11 Parish Council - 4 th Wed 2pm - at St Luke's (<i>monthly</i>) - 30/8
<i>Thu</i>	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>)
<i>Fri</i>	St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (<i>weekly</i>)
<i>Sat</i>	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

Sep Su	10	Rev'd John Sanderson - LyCiG both services
Su	17	Claritude Clarinet Quartet Fundraiser St Luke's 3pm \$15
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
Jan Su	21	Surf Coast Camino @ Aireys Inlet with UCA 12:30pm Split Pt

Clarity Concert - Megan Waddington from St Luke's is part of clarinet quartet. She is holding a fundraiser for the Parish on 17th **September** at 3pm. Adults \$15 children free.

All Saints Lorne - for several months, Fr Irwin has been providing services at Lorne. Some people in our parish have ongoing connection with All Saints and the Diocese has been providing supportive ministry for them for the last few years via Rev'd Phil Jacobson and clergy relief. As with our smaller centres, the town and church are significantly affected by the tourism vs residential challenge. The Anglican and Uniting churches have been working separately for a few years, but still have significant fellowship, and like Aireys Inlet and Anglesea have aging and small but faithful congregations.

I encourage you to chat to Irwin about his ministry there, and to pray for them, in similar ways that we are praying for ourselves. The Prayer for Growth on the front page is a good place to start.

Digital Support - We are joining a pilot program for digital support in parishes. Sharon has discussed items we can get assistance with to improve our management and communications, and our presentation and interaction with the community through digital means. She will discuss with council which ones we might make use of.

Building - we are in conversation with a builder about repairing the rotten external weatherboards around the Price St entrance at St Luke's. He will also give us a quote for replacing the ramp with steps at the Office door. The Hall Ramp is waiting for an updated plan to be approved by the Shire.

Op Shop Team Meeting and Changeover Date - The team has a volunteers meeting planned for 29th August for lunch prior to the seasonal stock changeover. A Half Price Sale follows this meeting on will be 20/23/24 September with a season stock changeover day on Monday 26th September.

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

Mainly Music Volunteers - MM groups are both bursting at the seams. I am nearly finished an overview document to help us understand what goes on and why it is an important ministry. It will be in the foyer soon.

If you would like to help once a month, or more often, we'd love to hear from you. Helping in the kitchen preparing fruit, chatting with the parents, or playing with the kids are some of the ways you can participate. Please speak to Roger Brown at St Luke's or Kaye Mackie for Anglesea about their teams.

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday