



St Luke's, Torquay

Transfiguration, Anglesea

St Aidan's, Aireys Inlet

St Luke's Op Shop

Pentecost 11

Surfcoast Anglican Parish

8 August 2021

Today's readings: 1 Kings 19.4-8; Psalm 34.1-8; Ephesians 4.25-5.2 ;6: John6.35, 41-51

Sunday Service is online

Jesus says...I am the bread of life. Come and you will never be hungry. Believe and you will never be thirsty. Come. Believe. Eat. Receive your daily bread.

He teaches that our Father knows our needs and provides them a day at a time and that life is more than food and the stomach. The manna and quail of Moses, and the fish and bread that Jesus shared from the boy's lunch...will only sustain us temporarily. They point to the satisfying of a deeper hunger, a larger need. Our hunger for meaning, belonging and security, the provision of our daily as well as our eternal wellbeing, the satisfaction of our individual needs, as well as our communal ones and the thirst we have for creational wholeness and vibrancy on all levels.

Come to me and you will never be hungry. Believe and you will never be thirsty. We are not better than our neighbours, but we have been changed, and only because we have been with Jesus.

Paul says: You are not who you were...you have eaten the living bread...so characterised by kindness; being mindful of how we use our words, and valuing integrity, responsibility and generosity; dealing with problems; and having forgiveness ready at hand, looking at Jesus, eating at his table, we imitate him in our days and ways. He will allow us to look at each other afresh as neighbours and value the place he has given us to live and walk...

Could it be he is using the pandemic, its associated problems and disruptions, to dust us off, to wake us up, to refocus our sights and our hearts? Could it be he is unsettling us, so that we will seek health and wholeness? Come Believe Eat. He is the one who has come to make all things new and satisfy us in every way.

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.

THIS COMING WEEK

Mon 2 Aug Sharon's Day off

*Tue 3 Aug St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open
Mainly Music, at Transfiguration 10am (Tues term time) - TBA*

*Wed 4 Aug Mainly Music, at St Luke's 10am (Wed term time) - TBA
Group Meditation, Transfiguration 11am (weekly) - TBA*

Thu 5 Aug

Fri 6 Aug St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open

Sat 7 Aug St Luke's Op Shop, 9am to 1pm (weekly) - Open

Church Services

*1st Sun St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist, no screen - 5 September
St Luke's Torquay, 6pm Taizé Service - 5 September*

*Weekly Sun Transfiguration Anglesea, 9:00am Eucharist - Open
St Luke's Torquay, 10:30am Eucharist - Open*

Pentecost 12: Prov 9:1-6; Psalm 34.9-14; Ephesians 5:11-21 ;6: John6:51-58

Regular Parish Meetings

Sharon @ Shire Trqy/Bell/JJuc Community Action - 1st Monday 1:30-3pm

Sharon @ Shire Anglesea Community Action - 2nd Wednesday 2pm

Shire Community Leaders Community of Practice -

Parish Council - 4th Wednesday 7pm @ St Luke's - 28 July via zoom

Torquay Home Group - fortnightly Thurs 7:30pm @ Clement's - Next TBA

**Torquay Craft Group - 2nd & 4th Thurs 1.30pm @ contact Peggy/Barbara - 12 & 26 Aug
TBC**

Maintenance Committee - 1st Thursday 10am @ St Luke's - 2 Sept

Parish Lunch - 1st Tues Noon @ Jan Juc Hotel - in recess

History Group - 4th Wed 11am @ St Luke's - next TBA

General News

Parish Lunch 15 August - We are still planning to hold the day of thanks - we will update you next week following the Premier's announcement and Diocesan Update on Thursday 12th August. If you are coming to the service, but would like to come to the lunch there is still room for you.

If we are stuck with the current 4sqm rule we will have 61 or so at the service, spread across the 4 sections. At morning tea we will have a limit of 36 in the hall, then in the other 3 sections. Lunch will be 75 with this rule. If we move to 2sqm rule the numbers are 86 (with good viewing capacity, we could do 122 if we had 72 in the hall but couldn't mingle afterward), and then morning tea would spread have to spread across the area with 72 max in the hall, and 150 at the lunch.

Payment for the lunch \$30 pp via cash in an envelope at church marked 'Lunch: NAME' or into the Parish account BSB 633-000 A/C 158310276 reference message 'Lunch: NAME' or by cheque to the PO Box 2 Torquay 3228 made to SURFCOAST ANGLICAN PARISH.

St Aidan's Aireys Inlet - We have reached a point of change for St Aidan's, though it has been approaching and we have been speaking with each other about it for some time. Since COVID we have not been able to gather except for Christmas lunch. We continue to visit and stay in touch with each other in various ways.

We are ending our use of the building as a gathering place, and enabling our remaining elders to release the future of St Aidan's to the Lord, while continuing to be committed to each other for the rest of their journeys in Aireys and beyond. We are not closing the building, nor ending the Anglican community of St Aidan's @ Home.

It is always important to finish well. We will have a final gathering of the remaining community on Sunday August 29th from midday. The Thanksgiving Eucharist for a Time of Ending and a meal, it is near to St Aidan's Day as a meaningful way to help us mark the ending of our worshipping life and to pray God's blessing on us all into the future. We are grateful for the abundance of God to and through those who have shared in Aireys Inlet Anglican life over the years. The Uniting and Catholic Churches continue to hold services each week. The Lord holds the future in his hands, as he always has.

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

Organ Recital Tom Healy - U3A recital will be held again at St Luke's, Tuesday 14/9 at 2pm COVID permitting.

COVID updates - Lockdown pending news on Thursday 12th August.

If you are unwell and showing symptoms of COVID, which are like symptoms of a cold, get tested and isolate while waiting for the results. Results are returned often in 24hours. Please get immunised for both COVID and the flu.

Complaints

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Call this number at any time. All information provided is confidential. 1800 135 246

Or "Confidential" to the Director of Professional Standards

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Notices for the pew sheet to the Office by Thursday