

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford

Sunday 9th August 2015

The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY IN OUR WORSHIP

Sentence: Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us as gave himself up for us. *Ephesians 5: 1-2*

Collect: Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread that you have given us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Post-Communion: Jesus said: I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever

Readings

Lesson The First Book of Kings chapter 19: verses 4-8

Epistle The Letter to the Ephesians chapter 4: verse 25 to chapter 5: verse 2

Gospel The Holy Gospel according to St John chapter 6: verse 35, and verses 41-51

Today's Hymns

Introit 23 All creatures of our God and king (vv.1-4, 7)

Gradual [464 Bread of heaven] **9.30 only**

Offertory 507 Just as I am

After Communion Let us talents and tongues employ (see over)

Dismissal 475 Now let us from this table

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Hymn after Communion at 9.30

Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy.

Bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

*Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
Pass the Word around: loaves abound.*

Christ is able to make us one.

At the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
Love in word and in deed express.

Jesus lives again ...

Jesus calls us in, sends us out

Bearing fruit in a world of doubt,

gives us love to tell, bread to share

God (Immanuel) everywhere! *Jesus lives again*

Today's Intercessions

We pray especially

For the sick, especially Robin Norris, Amanda, Hope, Bob, Gabriel, Hilda and Jack Hutchinson

For this community, especially those living in Catalina Crescent, Corunna Road, Currey Crescent.

For the Church, especially this parish and in particular for the nominators as they work on our behalf in the appointment of a priest to serve as our new Vicar.

For the Diocese, especially our Bishops, Ross (currently on sabbatical) and Jim, and today for the parishes of St Luke's, Mt Albert; St Martin's-at-St Chad's, Mt Roskill; and St Alban's, Balmoral; and for the Indo-Fijian congregation that worships there.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Diocese of Rochester (USA)

TODAY IN OUR PRAYERS

The bread of life: food for the body, food for the soul

The bread of life brings hope to the forgotten political prisoner. We pray for organisations like Amnesty.

The bread of life brings a meal to the hungry. We pray for all food banks.

The bread of life brings relief to those who have suffered disaster. We pray for all affected by recent disasters.

The bread of life brings confidence to the downtrodden. We pray for agencies like the City Mission.

The hungry will eat and be satisfied. We will feed them.

The bread of life: food for the body, food for the soul

The bread of life in the form of those who sit with those who are miserable and depressed

The bread of life lived in those who support those suffering from dementia

The bread of life shared in those who have had discouraging medical news

The bread of life broken with those who have suffered the loss of a loved one or a cherished dream.

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The bread of life: food for the body, food for the soul

Bread broken, wine poured out; the community of Jesus comes together in the Eucharist and is thankful

Food and fellowship shared at the table, help offered, troubles heard; the community of Jesus eats, listens, and is thankful.

Challenges in the local community faced and help offered; the community of Jesus works with others and they are thankful.

Gifts given for mission and community outreach; the community of Jesus takes responsibility for the wider church and many are thankful.

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The bread of life: food for the body, food for the soul

The bread of life inspires us to find our spiritual path and walk it.

The bread of life calls us to find faithful leaders and follow them.

The bread of life reminds us of the opportunities and talents we have.

The bread of life enables us to contribute to the wider community.

The bread of life will nourish us and enable us to nourish others in the Way of Jesus Christ.

This Week

August 2015	
Tuesday 11	Selwyn Centre 9.30–12.00. Friendship, fun, and sharing.
Wednesday 12	10.00am Holy Communion with Ministry of Healing. Morning tea.
Thursday 13	10.00am Mainly Music.
Sunday 16	Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am and J Team

Next Sunday

The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lesson: Proverbs 9: 1-6

Epistle: Ephesians 5: 15-20

Gospel: John 6: 51-58

A Retreat: Open the Doors to Prayer

The Parish of Takapuna is arranging a one-day retreat at Vaughan Park on Saturday 29 August. They have invited our parishioners to take part. This will be an excellent introduction to prayer - helping to choose the best method(s) of prayer for you. Refer to the white-board at the back of the church.

Jim's Jam

Jim is now looking for more fruit he would like some oranges. He would also like more jars. You know the ones.

On Tuesday (11 August)

The Church in New Zealand commemorates St Laurence, an early martyr of the church. This day is significant in Papua New Guinea for it marks the date on which the first Anglican missionaries arrived on the beach at Dogura in 1891. I, with Judith and our three children, lived and worked in PNG for some years in the 1970s. I visited Dogura many times and worshipped in the enormous Cathedral of St Peter and St Paul. I also had the privilege of returning for the centennial in 1991. The Church has grown from these humble beginnings. There are now five dioceses and the Church now recruits most of its clergy and lay staff from within. It is still reliant, however, on financial support from overseas. The Anglican Missions Board in NZ makes a generous grant each year from the contributions it receives from parishes.

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