

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

Sunday 11 October 2015
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today

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TODAY IN OUR WORSHIP

Sentence

There is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for Jesus' sake, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. *Mark 10:29-30*

Collect

Merciful God, in your Son you call not the righteous but sinners to repentance: draw us away from the easy road that leads to destruction, and guide us into paths that lead to life abundant, that in seeking your truth, and obeying your will, we may know the joy of being a disciple of Jesus our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Readings

Lesson Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Epistle Hebrews 4:12-16

Gospel Mark 10:17-31

Post-Communion: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. *Hebrews 4:14*

Today's Hymns

Introit	639	He who would valiant be
Gradual	[634]	Will you come and follow me? (9.30 only)
Offertory	35	Glorious things of you are spoken
Dismissal	623	Forth in your name, O Lord, I go

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TODAY IN OUR PRAYERS:

We use the Second Form of intercession on page 416

We pray in particular for

The Church in this Parish and for Grant Robertson, our Vicar-elect.

Ross and Jim, our Bishops.

The Parish of New Lynn, Mission District of Glen Eden, Local Shared Ministry Unit of Titirangi, and the Anglican-Methodist Cooperating Parishes of South Kaipara and Huapai

The sick, especially Robyn Lynch, Briar Garraway, Amanda, Hope, Bob, Gabriel, Hilda Hutchinson.

This community and especially those living in Dallinghoe Crescent, Dodson Avenue, Fenwick Avenue, Frater Avenue, Frieston Road, Gordon Avenue.

We conclude with prayer 2 on page 417.

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect

has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Mark 10:17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." ' He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'



Christian World Service celebrates 70 years

Your invitation to join us and hear Rod Oram speaking on *How small change can make **BIG** change*. Auckland 29th October 5.30pm at St Matthew-in-the-City. RSVP by 23rd October to david.lawson@cws.org.nz

This Week

Tuesday 13	Selwyn Centre 9.30 to 12.00. cost \$3.00. Join in good conversation, friendship and fun.
Wednesday 14	10.00am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.
Thursday 15	10.00am Mainly Music. Cost \$3.00 per family.

NEXT SUNDAY, 18 October a Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

BLESSING OF PETS AND THANKSGIVING OF ANIMALS at 9.30

We will commemorate **St Francis of Assisi**, but it is also **Youth Sunday** in the Anglican Church. Please remind your pets of this.

Services at 8.00 and 9.30 (both NZPB).

Readings:

Deuteronomy 8:6-10; 1 Corinthians 3:6-9a; Luke 11:5-13

PARISH FAIR

Thank you to all who helped in various ways to make this a successful event. We will report on this at today's services.

FOOD BASKET

Please remember that gifts of food are especially welcome. You may bring food along each Sunday for the City Mission. They have an endless demand for food and every item helps. A basket is placed near the font.

INSTITUTION OF NEW VICAR

The Institution and Induction of our new Vicar, the Revd Grant Robertson, will take place at St Paul's on **Wednesday 2 December** at 7.30pm. Mark in your diary now!

Noel finishes up here early in November. His last Sunday is on 1 November (All Saints) but he will come back for the weekday services on Tuesday 3 (Park Lane) and Wednesday 4. There is thus a gap of about a month. We are grateful that the Revd Hilary Leith, Hospital Chaplain, and 'one of our own' has agreed to help us bridge the gap and we are still working on filling a few 'holes'.

MONTHLY MAGAZINE

The next magazine will be produced in the middle of October and will cover two months. Our priest in charge finishes up at the beginning of November and the new vicar doesn't start until early December. Because of this we need to vary the dates somewhat.

