

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

Sunday 7th February 2016
Sunday before Lent

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TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00 – NZ Prayer Book, p.476: *Thanksgiving and Praise*

9.30am - NZ Prayer Book, p.476: *Thanksgiving and Praise*

Sentence - You Lord will surely comfort your people. You will make their deserts like Eden, their wastelands like a garden. Joy and gladness will be found among them, thanksgiving and the sound of singing. Isaiah 51:3

Collect – Merciful God, in Christ you make all things new, transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Offertory Prayer

O God, through the offering of these gifts, we become a more open people, open-minded in hearing your word and wisdom, open-hearted in healing a broken world, open-handed in heeding your call to charity and enacted love. With thanks for all good gifts, we present a portion of our substance and the whole of ourselves.

Today's Hymns

Introit	63	Stand up and bless the Lord
Gradual (9.30)	634	Will you come and follow me
Offertory	201	Jesus lover of my soul
Dismissal	62	Tell out, my soul

Readings for today 7th February 2016

1st Reading - Isaiah 6: 1-8

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Gospel –Luke 5: 1-11

8.00am Readers - Brynycy Owen and Mary Griffiths

9.30am Readers - Marion Chiswell and Megan Bowden

Prayers for the sick - We remember in our prayers today - Florence, Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon and Carol. And we remember parishioners and residents in Aberdeen Road, Beach Road, Bevyn Street, Braemar Road.

Isaiah 6: 1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Luke 5: 1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken;

and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Lenten Studies – Please sign list at the back of the church if you are interested in taking part in a Lenten study. Day and time to be decided.

Op Shop - Vestry are delighted to announce the appointment of Liz Douglas Brown as the new Op Shop Coordinator. Liz will have oversight over the day to day running of the Op Shop and to work with the team of volunteers.

Liz will be supported in this role by vestry members Pam Martin and Gaylene Hotchkiss. If you have any queries, concerns or comments regarding the Op shop please speak to either Pam Martin on 414 4223 or Gaylene Hotchkiss on 410 4350.

Op Shop – On Friday Liz and her team had a clothing sale in the hall. They made \$782.00 well done. Thank you.

This Week

Tuesday 9	Selwyn Centre 9.30 to 12.00. Join in good conversation, friendship and fun. Cost \$3.00.
Wednesday 10	Ash Wednesday 10.00am Ecumenical Holy Communion followed by morning tea. 7.30pm Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Evening Service.
Thursday 11	10.00am Mainly Music. Is there anyone who would be willing to help at mainly music, or if you know of a mum who would like to join the mainly music team on a Thursday morning during the school term please see Megan or phone her on 410 5117
Sunday 14	Services Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am

Readings for next Sunday 14 February 2016

1st Reading – Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

Epistle - Romans 10: 8b-13

Gospel – Luke 4: 1-13

8.00am Readers - Mary Chamberlain and Mary Griffiths

9.30am Readers – Pam Martin and Gaylene Hotchkiss

Free - Clothes drier – old but in good condition.

Phone Maureen on 488 0149, to arrange collection.