

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

**Sunday 14th February 2016**

**First Sunday in Lent**

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**TODAY'S SERVICES**

8.00 – Lenten Liturgy

9.30am – Lenten Liturgy

**Sentence** – Lord be gracious to us; we long for you. Be our strength every morning; our salvation in time of distress. Isaiah 33: 2

**Collect** – Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness; give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit; and as you know our weakness so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

**Today's Hymns**

**Introit** 199 Fairest Lord Jesus

**Gradual (9.30)** 183 Oh the deep deep love of Jesus

**Offertory** O love that wilt not let me go (separate sheet)

**Dismissal**

54 Now thank we all our God

## **Readings for today Sunday 14 February 2016**

**1<sup>st</sup> 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

### **Deuteronomy 26: 1-11**

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, “Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.”

When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: “A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.” You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

### **Romans 10: 8b-13**

But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

### **Luke 4: 1-13**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

### **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 Castor Bay Road, Eastcliffe Road, Garmons Way, Heathcote Road.

### **Ash Wednesday –**

A service was held at St Paul's on Wednesday night.

We were joined by the Milford Catholic Parish of St. Vincent De Paul.

The service was shared by both congregations. A nice way to start the season of Lent.

### **This Week**

<b>Tuesday 16</b>	Selwyn Centre 9.30 to 12.00. Join in good conversation, friendship and fun. Cost \$3.00.
<b>Wednesday 17</b>	10.00am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.
<b>Thursday 18</b>	10.00am Mainly Music.
<b>Sunday 21</b>	Services Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am.

### **Readings for next Sunday 21st February 2016**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18

**Epistle** - Philippians 3: 17 to 4: 1

**Gospel** – Luke 13: 31-35

8.00am Readers – Michael and Patsy Hill

9.30am Readers – Tania Manuel and Patrick Jackson

## **Anglican Missions Lenten Appeal 2016**

Lent began on Ash Wednesday on the 10th Feb and follows through to Easter Sunday on the 27th March

This year we have three exciting projects that are in need of your support:

Drop-In Centre, Fiji; Clergy Training Accommodation, Gambella  
and support for new Deacons in Iran

**Lenten Appeal envelopes are now available**

**Thanks - To vestry members and their spouses for the clean up work done on Friday night. We now have a very full skip to be picked up on Monday morning.**