

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 13th March 2016
Fifth Sunday in Lent – Passion Sunday

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TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am – Lenten Liturgy

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Sentence – Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow.

Collect – Most merciful God, by the passion of your Son Jesus Christ you delivered us from the power of darkness; grant that through faith in him who suffered on the cross we may be found acceptable in your sight, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Today's Hymns

Introit	26	Amazing Grace
Gradual (9.30)	689	Lord, I come to you
Offertory	205	The king of love my shepherd is
Dismissal	437	I cannot tell why

Readings for today Sunday 13th March

1st Reading – Isaiah 43: 16-21

Epistle - Philippians 3: 4b-14

Gospel - John 12: 1-8

8.00am Readers – Brynyce Owen and Mary Griffiths

9.30am Readers – Priscilla Philip and Patrick Jackson

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

Philippians 3: 4b - 14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on

faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,

I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

John 12: 1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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 Catalina Crescent, Corunna Road, Currey Crescent.

This Week

Tuesday 15	Selwyn Centre 9.30 to 12.00. Join in good conversation, friendship and fun. Cost \$3.00 for lunch.
Wednesday 16	10.00am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.
Thursday 17	10.00am Mainly Music.
Sunday 20	Palm Sunday. Services Holy Communion 8.00am and

9.30am.

Readings for next Sunday 20th March Palm Sunday

1st Reading – Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Epistle – Philippians 2: 5-11

Gospel – Dramatic Reading according to Luke

8.00am Readers – Mary Chamberlain and Mary Griffiths

9.30am Readers – Tania Manuel and Gaylene Hotchkiss

Thank You – To Jim from us all at both the Sunday services for the delicious Simnel Cake you baked for us last Sunday. A traditional cake baked and eaten on Mothering Sunday.

A.G.M. – Parish A.G.M. will be held on Sunday 10th April. There will be one service at 9.30am. The meeting will be held in the church. Reports to Mary by Sunday March 27th please.

Nominations for Vestry members and Synods Reps will close on Sunday April 3rd. Nomination forms on sides person table.

Palm Crosses - Can anyone supply us with some Nikau Palms?

If you would like to come and learn how to make Palm Crosses please sign list at back of church. We will meet in the Selwyn Centre Lounge on Friday the 18th March at 10am. If you are able to make Palm Crosses and would like to come and show others how they are made that would be appreciated. We will make you a cup of tea and maybe a biscuit.

Easter Services

St. Paul's Anglican Parish corner Fenwick Road and Otakau Road Welcomes you

Holy Thursday 24th March -7.30pm Holy Communion and Extinguishing the Light.

Good Friday 25th March – 9.30am Readings, Reflections, Prayers. Ecumenical Service at St Paul's Anglican Church.

Procession of Witness - leaves Milford Baptist at 9.00am.

**Easter Day – 27th March -
8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Great Easter Celebration with Holy Communion.**

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