

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

Sunday 26th June 2016
6th Sunday after Pentecost

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TODAY

8.00am – Blue Book
9.30am – Indaba Liturgy

Sentence – O Lord my strength and my fortress, my refuge in time of distress; to you the nations will come from the ends of the earth, and they will know that your name is the Lord. Jeremiah 16; 19-21 (adapted)

Collect – Almighty and eternal God, it is your will to bring the whole creation into unity in Christ; grant that your Church may faithfully proclaim the good news until all people are saved and the earth is full of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Today's Hymns

Introit 39 Great is your faithfulness
Gradual 639 He who would valiant be
Offertory 475 Now let us from this table rise
Dismissal 658 Guide me, O my great Redeemer

Readings for next Sunday 26th June

1st Reading – 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Epistle – Galatians 5:1,13-25

Gospel – Luke 9: 51-62

Readers 8.00am – Mary Griffiths and Brynyce Owen

Readers 9.30am – Tania Manuel and Tex Riley

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the

mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Luke 9: 51-62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him;

but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

We remember in our prayers today –
 Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon and Carol. And we remember parishioners and residents in Trafalgar Road, Waterloo Road, Wolsley Avenue, Shakespeare Road.

This Week

Tuesday 28	Selwyn Centre 9.30 to 12.00. Cost \$3.00. Join in good conversation, friendship and fun. 7.30pm Vestry meeting.
Wednesday 29	10.00am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.
Thursday 30	10.00am Mainly Music.
Sunday 3rd July	Patronal Festival. One service at 9.30am followed by a shared lunch.

Readings for next Sunday 3rd July – Patronal Festival
One service 9.30am. Followed by a shared lunch.

1st Reading – Zechariah 4:1-6a, 10b-14
Epistle – Acts 12:1-11
Gospel – Matthew 16: 13-19
 Readers – Karen Stubbs and Megan Bowden.

Parish Dinner -

The parish dinner we held in April was such a success we have decided to have another one. It will be Thursday 14th July at Musashi Restaurant 212 Kitchener Road Milford. Please sign list at back of the church by **Sunday 10th July** if you wish to attend. Grant needs to confirm numbers by Monday 11th July.

Thank you - To those who were involved in the luncheons.
A great time was had by all.

Tartan Day Tattoo Celebrations 2016 - 03 Jul 2016



When - Sunday 3 July 2016, 1.30pm - Sunday 3 July 2016, 4.00pm - **Where** - North Shore Events Centre, Argus Place, Glenfield, Auckland **Cost** Free. Join the Tartan Day Tattoo Celebrations 2016 for all things Scottish with some Kiwi partners. The New Zealand Highland Dance Company are our guests this year, so come along and enjoy the sights and sounds of the pipe bands and dancers.