

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

**Sunday 28th August 2016**  
**15th Sunday after Pentecost**

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**TODAY**

8.00am – Holy Communion Blue Book

9.30am – Holy Communion NZPB 404

**Sentence** – I shall live through you O Lord and my children shall serve you; to a people as yet unborn they shall make known the saving deeds you have done. Psalm 22: 30,31

**Collect** – Give us, we pray you gentle God, a mind forgetful of past injury, a will to seek the good of others and a heart of love. Amen

**Introit** 149 O for a heart to praise my God  
**Gradual** 525 All my hope on God is founded  
**Offertory** 474 My God, now is your table spread

**Readings for today Sunday 28th August****1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Jeremiah 2: 4-13**Epistle** – Hebrew 13: 1-8, 15-16**Gospel** – Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Readers 8.00am – Mary Griffiths and Mary Chamberlain.

Readers 9.30am – Tania Manuel and Tex Riley.

**Jeremiah 2: 4-13**

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the ruler<sup>1</sup> transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of

living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

### **Hebrew 13: 1-8, 15-16**

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

### **Luke 14: 1, 7-14**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will

be exalted.” He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

We remember in our prayers today – Louie (Hilary’s grandson) Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon and Carol. And we remember parishioners and residents in Madison Place, Meadowvale Avenue, Merrifield Avenue.

**This Week**

<b>Tuesday 30</b>	Selwyn Centre 9.30am – 12.00. Join us for fellowship and fun. Cost \$3.00.
<b>Wednesday 31</b>	10.00am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.
<b>Thursday 01</b>	10.00am mainly music. <b>Anglican Diocesan Synod commences 6pm today until Saturday 3rd. Grant, Mary and Megan will be attending synod representing our parish.</b>
<b>Sunday 04</b>	Services at 8.00am and 9.30am.

**Readings for next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Jeremiah 18: 1-11  
**Epistle** – Philemon 1-21  
**Gospel** – Luke 14: 25-33  
 Readers 8.00am – Mary Griffiths and Jack Weir

**Please read this important notice**

We are running a Trade Me account to sell donated goods that are for whatever reason are not suitable for sale through the Op Shop itself. These will be in the back of the Hall and stacked as neatly as possible. Please do not move these around or remove anything. Once there is a “Sold” sticker on them they have been listed and/or sold and are no longer available for purchase by anyone else. We don't really want people moving them as we don't want them damaged or be unable to find them once buyers call to pick them up. Thanks Karen.

- ❖ Vestry are looking to buy a defibrillator. And are currently looking for the best location to place it.
- ❖ We have been informed by Bakers Delight that today will be the last Sunday we will receive their bread.

**Brain Teaser Answer – An armchair**