

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

**Sunday 13th November 2016**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent**

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**Sentence** - For I am the about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. Isaiah 65:17

**Collect** - Gracious Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive on us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**TODAY**

8.00 am – Blue Book

9.30 am – 404 NZPB

**Introit** 438 Jesus comes with clouds descending  
**Gradual** 259 O day of peace  
**Offertory** 436 Hark! a trumpet call is sounding  
**Dismissal** 204 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

## Readings for today Sunday 13th November

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Isaiah 65: 17-25

**Epistle** – 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

**Gospel** – Luke 21: 5-19

Readers 8.00 am – Mary Griffiths and Rosemary Maire

Readers 9.30 am – Chris and Christine Maud

### Isaiah 65: 17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.  
But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.  
I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.  
No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;  
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.  
They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat  
their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit;  
they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days  
of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.  
They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity;  
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as  
well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.  
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the  
ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

### 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that  
you withdraw yourselves from every brother who walks in rebellion, and not  
after the tradition which they received from us. For you know how you  
ought to imitate us. For we didn't behave ourselves rebelliously among you,  
neither did we eat bread from anyone's hand without paying for it, but in  
labour and travail worked night and day, that we might not burden any of

you; not because we don't have the right, but to make ourselves an example to you, that you should imitate us. For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: "If anyone will not work, don't let him eat." For we hear of some who walk among you in rebellion, who don't work at all, but are busybodies. Now those who are that way, we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. But you, brothers, don't be weary in doing well.

### **Luke 21: 5-19**

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

We remember in our prayers today – Louie (Hilary's grandson) Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon, Julieanne, and Carol.  
And we remember parishioners and residents in. Sudan Avenue, Sylvan Park Avenue, Thornton Road, Tobruk Crescent.



**This Week**

**Tuesday 15**

Selwyn Centre 9.30 am – Join us for friendship, fellowship, fun and good conversation. Cost \$3.00

**Wednesday 16**

10.00 am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.

**Thursday 17**

10.00 am Mainly Music.

**Sunday 20**

Services 8.00 am and 9.30 am

**Readings for next Sunday 20th November  
Christ The King Sunday**

**1st Reading** – Jeremiah 23: 1-6

**Epistle** – Colossians 1: 11-20

**Gospel** – Luke 23: 33-43

Readers 8.00 am – Mary Griffiths and Mary Chamberlain

Readers 9.30 am – Priscilla Philip and Gaylene Hotchkiss

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THANK YOU  
AFTERNOON TEA FRIDAY  
25TH NOVEMBER AT 3.30 PM**

IF YOU KNOW OF ANY OF THE HELPERS THAT MAY NOT HAVE PICKED UP AN INVITE FROM THE DESK IN THE OP SHOP OR HAVE NOT SEEN THIS NEWSLETTER PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PASS ON THIS INVITATION.