

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD

St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



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**Sentence:** I am the good shepherd, says the Lord. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. John10:11

**Collect:** God of our futures; you go ahead of us to prepare a place for us. Help us to put our trust in you; in this life, may we be freed from our fears; and, in the life to come, know you face to face. We ask this through Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever. Amen.

8.00 am – Blue Book

9.30 am – NZPB 404

**Introit** 452 Jesus Christ gives life and gladness  
**Gradual** 238 Great Shepherd of your people, hear!  
**Offertory** Now to your table spread  
**Dismissal** Lord whose love through humble service

**Readings for today Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Acts 2: 42-47

**Epistle** – 1 Peter 2: 19-25

**Gospel** – John 10: 1-10

Readers 8.00 am – Michael and Patsy Hill

Readers 9.30 am – Marion Chiswell and Megan Bowden

**Acts 2: 42-47**

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

**1 Peter 2: 19-25**

For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

## **John 10: 1-10**

“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

We remember in our prayers today – Kelvin, Louie (Hilary’s grandson) Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon, Julieanne, Carol and Lynette. And we remember parishioners and residents in Aberdeen Road, Beach Road, Bevyn Street, Braemar Road.

## **Readings for next Sunday 14th May 5th Sunday of Easter**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Acts 7: 55-60

**Epistle** – 1 Peter 2: 2-10

**Gospel** – John 14: 1-14

Readers 8.00 am – Rosemary Maire and Mary Griffiths

Readers 9.30 am – Tania Manuel and Maureen Christensen

**Thank You** – to all who helped in the preparation and on the day of the garage sale. It is truly a lot of hard work, but a great time of fellowship with each other and the local community.

## **This Week - May**

<b>Tuesday 9th</b>	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun, fellowship and good conversation. Cost \$3.00
<b>Wednesday 10th</b>	10.00 am Holy Communion followed by morning tea. The service will be taken by the Rev'd Max Cranch.
<b>Thursday 11th</b>	10.00am Mainly Music.
<b>Sunday 14th</b>	Services 8.00am and 9.30am. Both services will be taken by the Rev'd Max Cranch.

### **JUST COOK 4 Healthy Ageing is a fun, practical and FREE cooking and nutrition course for older people.**

Make new friends and have fun while you learn.

Three hour classes held over four consecutive weeks, including morning tea and lunch.

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Healthy eating for older people, planning and cooking economical dinners for 1 or 2 people, shopping tips, label reading and time-saving cooking strategies.

#### **Criteria for attendance:**

- 67 years or older, 55 years or older for Maori and Pacific people
- Live alone or with one other person
- Limited or no cooking skills
- Lost the motivation or confidence to cook
- Can stand for at least an hour for food preparation

**Dates:** Fridays from May 19<sup>th</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10.00am – 1.00pm

**Venue:** St Paul's Anglican Church, Otakau Rd, Milford

**Bookings:** Complete the form at back of church. Limited to 12 people.

**Registration is essential to secure your place and attendance is**

**required at all four sessions. For further information please see  
Mary Griffiths**