

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 11th March
4th Sunday in Lent

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Sentence - Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. Matthew 9: 30

Collect – God of compassion, you have shown us in Christ that your love is never ending: enable us both to love you with all our heart and to love one another as Christ loved us. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and for ever. Amen

8.00am – Lenten Liturgy
9.30am – Lenten Liturgy

Introit 71 To God be the glory
Gradual 324 Name of all majesty
Offertory 384 My song is love unknown
Dismissal 601 Lift high the cross

Readings for today Sunday 11th March

1st Reading - Numbers 21: 4-9

Epistle - Ephesians 2:1-10

Gospel - John 3: 14-21

Readers - 8.00am – Michael and Patsy Hill

Readers - 9.30am – Marion Chiswell and Liz Powell

Numbers 21: 4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

John 3: 14-21

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

We remember in our prayers – Hilda, John, Campbell, Logan, Barbara, Ken, Doreen, Kelvin, Louie, Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon, Carol, Lynette and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Alma Road, Argyle Terrace, Brian Avenue, Cecil Road.

This Week

Tuesday 13th	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for fun and friendship. Cost \$3.00,
Wednesday 14th	10.00am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 15th	10.00am Mainly Music.

A.G.M

Will be held during the 9.30am service on **Sunday 15th April**. There will be **NO** 8.00am service that day.

Request from Mainly Music

Would anyone have a **baby door barrier** that they would be willing to give to Mainly Music. Please see Megan Bowden who would willingly take it off your hands. Thank you.

Parish Dinner

It is time for us to have another parish dinner.

We will meet at the Italian restaurant, Venice on Kitchener Road opposite Harcourts on Thursday 19th April at 7pm.

Please sign the list at the back of the church if you are able to come. The more the merrier.

Change of address

If you are a parishioner who uses the offering envelopes, can you please let Megan know if you have changed your address in the last year. Megan will then let Trust Management Ltd know in order for them to send you a receipt. Receipts will be sent after Easter.

EASTER SERVICES

Sunday 26th March Palm Sunday

Services 8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Thursday 29th March Maundy Thursday

Service 7.30pm Holy Communion and Extinguishing the Light

Friday 30th Good Friday

Service 9.00am at St Paul's

Easter Day Sunday 1st April

Services 8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Readings for next Sunday 18th March

1st Reading -Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Epistle - Hebrews 5: 5-10

Gospel – John 12: 20-33

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers – 9.30am – Margaret McLaren and Gaylene Hotchkiss