

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 18th March
5th Sunday in Lent

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Sentence - 'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law in within them, and I will write it on their hearts; I will be their God and they shall be my people,' Jeremiah 31:33

Collect – O God our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

8.00am – Lenten Liturgy
9.30am – Lenten Liturgy

Introit 626 Light of the minds that know him
Gradual 414 Now the green blade rises
Offertory 509 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy
Dismissal 53 O God beyond all praising

Readings for today Sunday 18th March

1st Reading - Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Epistle - Hebrews 5: 5-10

Gospel – John 12: 20-33

Readers - 8.00am – Rosemary Maire

Readers – 9.30am – Margaret McLaren and Gaylene Hotchkiss

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Hebrews 5: 5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek

John 12: 20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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 Commodore Parry Road, Craig Road, Dallinghoe Crescent, Dodson Avenue.

This Week

Tuesday 20th	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for fun and friendship. Cost \$3.00,
Wednesday 21st	10.00am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 22nd	10.00am Mainly Music.
Friday 23rd	10.00am Palm Cross making.

Making Palm Crosses 10.00am Friday 23rd March

Come have morning tea. Enjoy some fellowship laugh a lot as we make Palm Crosses. Instructions given.

Saturday 24th March 9.00am – 12 noon in church hall.

Huge clothing and toy sale, pre loved clothes \$1.00 per item. New clothes \$5.00 per item. We look forward to seeing you.

A.G.M

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

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 25th 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 25th March
Palm Sunday**

Dramatic Reading

Readers - 8.00am – Jack Weir and Nicky Roper

Readers – 9.30am - Megan Bowden and Maureen Christensen