

**ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD**  
**St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford**  
**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

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**Sentence** – Jesus prayed. 'Holy father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one'.  
John 17.11

**Collect** – Heavenly one, you called the resurrected Christ home to be exalted in heaven; we wait expectantly for the fulfilment of your promise to equip us with the Holy Spirit on Earth. May we wait with courage and patience for that day. Through Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**8.00am** – Blue Book  
**9.30am** – NZPB 476

**Introit**                577 Lord of the church  
**Gradual**             598 How shall they hear?  
**Offertory**            442 The head that once was crowned with thorns  
**Dismissal**          638 Guide me, O my great redeemer

**Readings for today Sunday 13th May**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

**Epistle** – 1 John 5: 9-13

**Gospel** – John 17: 6-19

**Reader** - 8.00am – Rosemary Maire

**Readers** - 9.30am – Maureen Christensen and Liz Powell

### **Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26**

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

### **1 John 5: 9-13**

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

### **John 17: 6-19**

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world,

but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

We remember in our prayers – Hilary, Hilda, John, Campbell, Logan, Barbara, Ken, Doreen, Kelvin, Louie, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon, Carol, Lynette and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Trafalgar Road, Waterloo Road, Wolsley Avenue, Shakespeare Road.

## THE WEEK

<b>Tuesday 17th</b>	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for fun and friendship. Cost \$3.00,
<b>Wednesday 18th</b>	10.00am Holy Communion service. Followed by morning tea.
<b>Thursday 19th</b>	10.00am Mainly Music.
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	Services 8.00am and 9.30am

### Readings for next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – Acts 2: 1-21

**Epistle** – Romans 8: 22-27

**Gospel** – John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

**Readers** - 8.00am – To be advised

**Readers** - 9.30am – Margaret McLaren and Marion Chiswell

- **Tax receipts** you should have received your receipts in the mail this week. Please let Megan know if you have not received your receipt.
- People wishing to make their envelope offerings through regular automatic payments into our bank account should set them up with their name and their envelope number as the reference. The church bank account is 12-3050-0263961-00. If you don't have an envelope number yet, speak to Megan at church, email her at [meganbowden@xtra.co.nz](mailto:meganbowden@xtra.co.nz) or phone 4105117.
- An update from last week regarding fundraising for the re-cladding of the church. Another parishioner has very generously agreed to donate \$1500. If you remember from last weeks notice, another parishioner had agreed to match contributions up to \$10 000. So if you donate say \$1000, then this will be matched until the maximum has been reached. Already we are on our way with \$3000 (\$1500 + \$1500).
- A reminder that next week Bishop Ross will be with us for the Confirmations during the 9.30 am service (there will still be an 8 am service). Please, if you are able, come and be part of this service to celebrate the Confirmation of five candidates from St Paul's.