

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 10th June

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Sentence – Here is my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and my mother. Mark 3: 34-35

Collect – **Almighty God, give us such a vision of your purpose and such an assurance of your love and power that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

8.00am – Blue Book
9.30am – NZPB 476

Introit 4 Here in this place
Gradual 173 He lives in us, the Christ of God
Offertory 575 In Christ there is no east or west
Dismissal 596 Go forth and tell!

Readings for today Sunday 10th June

1st Reading – 1 Samuel 8: 4-11, 16-20

Epistle – 2 Corinthians 4: 13- 5:1

Gospel – Mark 3: 20-35

Readers - 8.00am – To be advised

Readers - 9.30am – Marion Chiswell and Liz Powell

1 Samuel 8: 4-11, 16-20

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.” So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.” But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

2 Corinthians 4: 13- 5:1

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Mark 3: 20-35

And the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

We remember in our prayers – Margaret, Shadrak, Hilda, John, Campbell, Logan, Kelvin, Louie, Carol, Bob and Gabriel, Lynette and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Trafalgar Road, Waterloo Road, Wolsey Avenue, Shakespeare Road.

THE WEEK

Tuesday 12th	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for fun and friendship. Cost \$3.00.
Wednesday 13th	10.00am Holy Communion service. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 14th	10.00am Mainly Music.
Sunday 17th	Services 8.00am and 9.30am

Readings for next Sunday 17th June

1st Reading – 1 Samuel 15: 34 – 16: 13

Epistle – 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10,14-17

Gospel – Mark 4: 26-34

Readers - 8.00am – To be advised

Readers - 9.30am – Margaret McLaren and Gaylene Hotchkiss

- **Mid winter fundraising dinner**

Please make a note in your diaries, we are having a fund raising dinner on Saturday 7th July in the parish hall. Starting at 6pm. Draft menu available for you to see. A raffle will also be available to win a gourmet gift basket.

- **Lady Allum Service**

A service of Holy Communion is starting up again at Lady Allum on Thursday at 11am. We are grateful for the Rev. Nicky Roper who will be taking these services.

- 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 or phone 4105117.