

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD

St Paul's-by-the-Sea

Sunday 12th August

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Sentence - Be initiators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us. Ephesians 5: 1-2

Collect - Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread that you have given us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

8.00am - NZPB 404

9.30am - NZPB 404

Introit 53 O God beyond all praising
Gradual 691 Make me a channel of your peace
Offertory 483 Welcome to another day!
Dismissal 52 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

Readings for today Sunday 12th August

1st Reading – 2 Samuel 18:5-9,15

Epistle - Ephesians 4: 25-5:2

Gospel - John 6: 35, 41-51

Readers - 8.00am – To be advised

Readers - 9.30am – Megan Bowden and Karen Stubbs

2 Samuel 18:5-9,15

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword.

Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Ephesians 4: 25-5:2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6: 35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

We remember in our prayers – Shelley, Cynthia, Margaret, Shadrak, Hilda, John, Campbell, Logan, Kelvin, Louie, Carol, Bob and Gabriel, Lynette and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Nile Road, Pax Avenue, Quebec Road, Raines Road, Regal Place.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 14th	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship. Cost \$3.00.
Wednesday 15th	10.00am Holy Communion service. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 16th	10.00am Mainly Music
Sunday 19th	Services 8.00am and 9.30am

Readings for next Sunday 19th August

1st Reading - 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3: 3-14

Epistle - Ephesians 5: 15-20

Gospel - John 6: 51-58

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Maureen Christensen and Liz Powell

Soup Sunday - on the 26th August we will be having soup and rolls after the 9.30am service (food provided), this will be a great opportunity as a parish, to catch up with one another.

Please note that there will be no 8.00am service this Sunday. Could you please bring along a can to donate to the Auckland City Mission.

Accommodation required - Belita and John require a rental property in the Milford (central) area. They require two bedrooms or one bedroom and a garage for around \$500 per week. Please phone Belita on 021 217 4504.