

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD

## St Paul's-by-the-Sea

### Sunday 18th November

Today we welcome as speaker at both our services Judy Matai'a who is the CEO of Anglican Trust for Women and Children.

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**Sentence** - The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed. 1 Samuel 2:10

**Collect** - O God, welcoming refuge for the outcast and upholder of justice for the oppressed: maintain the hope of the poor, so that the time may soon come when no one need want for food and shelter, and all will learn to share freely, following the example of your Son, who gave his very self; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

8.00am - Blue Book

9.30am - NZPB 404

**Introit**                525 All my hope on God is founded  
**Gradual**             70 This is the day the Lord has made  
**Offertory**            535 Jesus, priceless treasure  
**Dismissal**          62 Tell out, my soul

### Readings for today Sunday 18th November

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – 1 Samuel 1: 4-20

**Epistle** - Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25

**Gospel** - Mark 13: 1-8

**Readers** - 8.00am - To be advised

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

### **1 Samuel 1: 4-20**

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favour in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate

and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

### **Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25**

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

### **Mark 13: 1-8**

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them,

“Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

We remember in our prayers – Hazel, Robert, Shelley, Cynthia, Margaret, Hilda, John, Campbell, Logan, Kelvin, Louie, Carol, Bob and Gabriel, Lynette and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Becroft Drive, Belmont Terrace, Blakeborough Drive, Bond Crescent.

### **THIS WEEK**

<b>Tuesday 20th</b>	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship. Cost \$3.00.
<b>Wednesday 21st</b>	10.00am Holy Communion service. Followed by morning tea. Bible Study 11.30am.
<b>Thursday 22nd</b>	10.00am Mainly Music.
<b>Sunday 25th</b>	<b>Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am</b>

### **Readings for next Sunday 25th November Reign of Christ the King**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - 2 Samuel 23: 1-7

**Epistle** - Revelation 1: 4b-8

**Gospel** - John 18: 33-37

**Readers** - 8.00am - To be advised

**Readers** - 9.30am – Patrick Jackson and Priscilla Philip

### **Bible Study Group Wednesday November 21st - 11:30am.**

#### **JESUS THE GAME CHANGER: EPISODE 9 – Wealth**

Surprisingly, Jesus spoke more about money than nearly any other topic. Jesus challenged the prevailing wisdom of His day, and taught that all money was God’s, to be used for Him instead of for personal advancement. The Christian worldview says that it

is not what we have rather it is who we serve. We are called by God, in this world, to be his hands and feet, doing his work with the things he has given us.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am Clothing and Toy Sale**

### **Anglican Trust for Women and Children – Christmas gifts**

Because of the way Christmas falls this year we will need to have your gifts in by Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December. This is a great opportunity to start your shopping now. Please remember the gifts have to be unwrapped.