

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea - 27th January

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Sentence - Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah: 'The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.' Luke 4:18

Collect - **Life-giving God, who sent your Son Jesus to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority: anoint us with your Spirit, that we too may bring good news to the poor, bind up the broken-hearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

8.00am - Blue Book
9.30am - NZPB 476

Introit 55 O for a thousand tongues to sing
Gradual 184 The kingdom of God
Offertory 168 And can it be that I should gain
Dismissal 437 I cannot tell why he whom angels worship

Readings for next Sunday 27th January

1st Reading - Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Epistle -1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a
Gospel - Luke 4: 14-21

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am – Marion Chiswell and Patrick Jackson

Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

1 Corinthians 12: 12-31

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not

belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Luke 4: 14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

We remember in our prayers - Peter, Pat, Hazel, Robert, Shelley, Cynthia, Margaret, Hilda, John, Logan, Kelvin, Carol, Bob and Gabriel, Lynette and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Milford Park Place, Milford Road, Napoleon Avenue, Ocean View Road, Otakau Road.



Audrey's family have asked us to let you know that on Saturday the 9th of February at 1.00pm they are holding a memorial service at St Paul's to remember Audrey's life. All are welcome.

Readings for next Sunday 3rd February

1st Reading - Malachi 3: 1-4

Epistle - Hebrews 2: 14-18

Gospel - Luke 2: 22-40

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - To be advised

Dates to remember

No Selwyn Centre in January. Resumes Tuesday 5th February 2019.

No Wednesday Holy Communion service in January.

Resumes Wednesday 13th February 2019.

No Mainly Music in January. Resumes Thursday 7th February 2019.



Saturday, 16th February

8.00am – 11am

St. Paul's Parish Hall

Cnr. Fenwick Ave. & Otakau Rd.

Cladding of Church

Quotes are due to go out shortly for tender as we would like to get this underway as soon as possible. This is only possible due to your generosity, thank you.