

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 17th February

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Sentence - Blessed are you when people hate you on account of the Son of man. Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Luke 6:23

Collect - Righteous God, you challenge the powers that rule this world and you show favour to the oppressed: instil in us a true sense of justice, that we may discern the signs of your kingdom and strive for right to prevail; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and forever. Amen.

8.00am - Blue Book
9.30am - NZPB 404

Introit 108 Give thanks with a grateful heart
Gradual 259 O day of peace
Offertory 374 O changeless Christ, for ever new
Dismissal 410 You choirs of new Jerusalem

Readings for today Sunday 17th February

1st Reading - Jeremiah 17: 5-10
Epistle - 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20
Gospel - Luke 6:17-26

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Megan Bowden and Patrick Jackson

Jeremiah 17: 5-10

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—

who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ - whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have

perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Luke 6:17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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 Shakespeare Road, Stanley Avenue, Stafford Avenue, Sudan Avenue.

Readings for next Sunday 24th February

1st Reading - Genesis 45: 3-11,15

Epistle -1 Corinthians 15: 35-38, 42-50

Gospel - Luke 6: 27-38

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Maureen Christensen and Priscilla Philip

This Week

Tuesday 19th February - Selwyn Centre 9.30am Join us for fun and friendship. Cost \$3.00.

Wednesday 20th February - Mid week Holy Communion 10.00am.
Followed by morning tea.

Thursday 21st February - Mainly Music 10.00am.

Garage Sale - Thank you to everyone who helped on Friday and Saturday it worked like a well oiled machine. It is a lot of work and vestry are very grateful to you for all your hard work.

