

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 25th August

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Sentence - You, O Lord are my hope, my trust and my youth. Upon you have I leaned since my birth. Psalm 71: 5-6

Collect - O God, the Judge of all, through the saving blood of your Son you have brought us to the heavenly Jerusalem and given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken: fill us with reverence and awe in your presence, that in thanksgiving we and all your Church may offer you acceptable worship; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives to intercede for us, now and forever. Amen.

8.00am - Blue Book
9.30am - NZPB 476

Introit - 70 This is the day which the Lord has made
Gradual - 490 We cannot measure how you heal
Offertory - 435 Hark the glad sound! – the saviour comes
Dismissal - 525 All my hope on God is founded

Readings for today Sunday 25th August

1st Reading - Jeremiah 1: 4-10
Epistle - Hebrews 12: 18-29

Gospel - Luke 13: 10-17

Readers - 8.00am to be advised

Readers - Chris and Christine Maud

Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,
“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak,
for I am only a boy.” But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send
you,

and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you,
says the LORD.” Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my
mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your
mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant.”

Hebrews 12: 18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing
fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a
trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not
another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the
order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it
shall be stoned to death.” Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that
Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) But you have come to Mount
Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and
to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of
the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of
all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus,
the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that
speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did
not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth,
how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from
heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has

promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Luke 13: 10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

We remember in our prayers - Tommy, Shobha, Bob, Jessica, Dennis, Pat, Hazel, Robert, Shelley, Cynthia, Margaret, Hilda, John, Logan, Kelvin, Bob and Gabriel, and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Rahopara Street, Seaview Road, Taumata Road.

Readings for next Sunday 1st September

1st Reading - Jeremiah 2: 4-13
Epistle - Hebrew 13: 1-8, 15-16
Gospel - Luke 14: 1, 7-14
Readers - 8.00am to be advised
Readers - Marion Chiswell and Karen Stubbs

This Week

Tuesday 27th - 9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship, fun and good conversation. \$3.00.

Wednesday 28th - Mid week Holy Communion 10.00am. Followed by morning tea.

Thursday 29th - Mainly Music 10.00am

Sunday 1st September - 8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Indaba - Continues for the third round this year. It is another opportunity for three parishes in the Auckland Diocese to experience worship, and meet together, at various churches. Five representatives from Holy Trinity Devonport and St Peter's Takapuna will join with us on the 8th September at the 9.30am service. The next gathering of the representatives will be at St Peter's Takapuna on the 29th September, and the Indaba process will conclude at Holy Trinity Devonport on the 3rd November.

John and Belita - You may have noticed the plastic containers catching water and heard the gentle dripping noise! Thank you Belita and John for emptying everyday these water containers.