

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 6TH October

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Sentence - 'Who is the greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? But I am among you,' says the Lord, as one who serves.'
Luke 22:27

Collect - Faithful God, have mercy on us your unworthy servants, and increase our faith, that, trusting in your Spirit's power to work in us and through us, we may never be ashamed to witness to our Lord but may obediently serve him all our days; 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 - 7 Be still, for the presence of the Lord
Gradual - 505 His eyes will guide my footsteps
Offertory - 495 Abide with me
Dismissal - 509 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy

Readings for today Sunday 6th October

1st Reading - Lamentations 1: 1-6
Epistle - 2 Timothy 1: 1-14
Gospel - Luke 17: 5-10
Readers - To be advised
Readers - Patrick Jackson and Megan Bowden

Lamentations 1: 1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people!
How like a widow she has become, she that was great
among the nations!

She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal.
She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks;
among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her;
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have
become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude;
she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place;
her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress.

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals;
all her gates are desolate, her priests groan;
her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.

Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper,
because the LORD has made her suffer for the multitude of her
transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe.
From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty.

Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture;
they fled without strength before the pursuer.

2 Timothy 1: 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the
promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our
Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my
ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night
and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled
with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in
your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure,
lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that
is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us
a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of
self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Luke 17: 5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

We remember in our prayers - Lorna, Lyn, 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 Quebec Road, Raines Road, Regal Place, Seine Road.

Readings for next Sunday 13th October

1st Reading - Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7

Epistle - 2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Gospel - Luke 17: 11-19

Readers - To be advised

Readers - Liz Powell and Karen Stubbs

This Week

Tuesday 8th October - 9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship, fun and good conversation. \$3.00.

Wednesday 9th October - Mid week Holy Communion 10.00am.
Followed by morning tea.

Thursday 10th October - No Mainly Music – School holidays.

Sunday 13th October - 8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Dates for your diary:-

Clothing and toy sale - Saturday 12th October 9am - 11am

Garage sale - Saturday 2nd November 8am – 11am

High Tea - Saturday 16th November 2pm

Parish Dinner - Thursday 21st November at 7pm. At Venice, the Italian restaurant in Milford Road.

Building Consent:-

Finally we have received the building consent for the recladding of the church. This means that we can now start recladding church when our builder is available to start.