

ANGLICAN PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 20th October

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Our thanks to the Rev'd Hilary Leith who will be taking our services today and next Sunday.

Sentence - Will not God grant justice to those who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? Luke 18: 7-8

Collect – Lord, tireless guardian of your people, teach us to rely, day and night, on your care. Drive us to seek your justice and your help, and support our prayer lest we grow weary, for in you alone is our strength. We make our prayers through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, one God, forever and ever. Amen

8.00am - Blue Book
9.30am - NZPB 476

Introit - 635 Fight the good fight with all your might
Gradual - 96 Sing praise to the Lord
Offertory - 592 Church of God, elect and glorious
Dismissal - 581 The church's one foundation

Readings for today Sunday 20th October

1st Reading - Jeremiah 31: 27-34

Epistle - 2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4:5

Gospel - Luke 18: 1-8

Readers - To be advised

Readers - Priscilla Philip and Marion Chiswell

Jeremiah 31: 27-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say:

“The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge.” But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will

turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Luke 18: 1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

We remember in our prayers - Lorna, Lyn, Tommy, Shobha, Bob, Jessica, Dennis, Pat, Hazel, Robert, Shelley, Cynthia, Hilda, John, Logan, Kelvin, Bob and Gabriel, and Gail. And residents and parishioners in Commodore Parry Road, Craig Road, Dallinghoe Crescent, Dodson Avenue.

Readings for next Sunday 27th October

1st Reading - Joel 2: 23-32

Epistle - 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Gospel - Luke 18: 9-14

Readers - To be advised

Readers - Erica Halliday and Gaylene Hotchkiss

This Week

Tuesday 22nd October - 9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship, fun and good conversation. \$3.00.

Wednesday 23rd October - Mid week Holy Communion 10.00am.
Followed by morning tea.

Thursday 24th October - 10.00am Mainly Music.

Sunday 27th October - 8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Dates for your diary:-

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 Kitchener 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.