

**St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford**  
**Sunday 26th May 2024**



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**Sentence** - Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory. Isaiah 6:3

**Collect** - O blessed Trinity, in whom we know the Maker of all things, seen and unseen, the Saviour of all, both near and far: by your spirit enable us so to worship your divine majesty, that with all the company of heaven we may magnify your glorious name saying, Holy, holy, holy. Glory to you, O Lord most high. Amen.

<b>Introit</b>	289	I believe in God the Father
<b>Gradual</b>	288	God who created light
<b>Offertory</b>	292	Sing of a God in majestic divinity
<b>Closing</b>	290	Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty

**8.00am** - Blue Book  
**9.30am** - NZPB 476

**Readings for today Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

**First Reading** - Isaiah 6: 1-8

**Epistle** - Romans 8: 12-17

**Gospel** - John 3: 1-17

**Readers** - 8.00am - To be advised

**Readers** - 9.30am - Erika and Sarah

## **Isaiah 6: 1-8**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty, and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said, “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.” The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said, “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!” Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said, “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

## **Romans 8: 12-17**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are obligated, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

### **John 3: 1-17**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him".

We remember in our prayers - Lorraine, Anne, Tomas, Donna, Julie, Megan, Dianne, Noeline, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Margaret, Jeff, and Bryce. Residents and parishioners Knightsbridge Drive, Linwood Avenue, Lyttleton Avenue, Madison Avenue, Meadowvale Avenue, Merrifield Avenue, Newport Place.

### **NEXT WEEK**

Tuesday 28th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun, friendship and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 29th	10am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 30th	Mainly Music resumes 10am. Cost \$5.00 per family.
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion

### **Readings for next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

**First Reading** - 1 Samuel 3: 1-10

**Epistle** - 2 Corinthian 4: 5-12

**Gospel** - Mark 2: 23-3: 6

**Readers** - 8.00am - To be advised

**Readers** - 9.30am - Marion and Edward

### **Tax Receipts -**

Trust Management Limited has sent the summary sheet of all offerings/donations made to the parish over the past tax year and these have been checked against our parish records. We expect to receive the official receipts that you will receive, and be able to claim, hopefully before the end of May.

### **Date for your diary-**

A parish dinner has been arranged for Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm, please note the change of address to the Soho Tai restaurant in Smales Farm.

It is a great opportunity to catch up and share in table fellowship with each other. As usual we pay for our own meals and drinks. The menu for the restaurant can be found online. It would be great if you can come along, if so please sign list at back of the church if you intend coming.