

St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford

Sunday 24th November 2024



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Sentence - Worthy is the lamb that was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing.
Revelation 5: 12

Collect - Everlasting God, whose will is to restore all things in your well-loved Son, our Lord and King; grant that the people on earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Introit 179 Love divine, all loves excelling
Gradual 440 Rejoice the Lord is king
Offertory 205 The king of love my shepherd is
Closing 71 To God be the glory

8.00am - Blue Book

9.30am - NZPB 476

Readings for next Sunday 24th November

First Reading - 2 Samuel 23: 1-7
Epistle - Revelation 1: 4b-8
Gospel - John 18: 33-37
Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

2 Samuel 23: 1-7

Now these are the last words of David: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favourite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the LORD speaks through me; his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has spoken; the Rock of Israel has said to me: "One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land." Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away, for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

Revelation 1: 4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 18: 33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you

done?” Jesus answered, “My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

We remember in our prayers - Patrick, Lorraine, Anne, Tomas, Donna, Julie, Megan, Dianne, Noeline, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Shobha, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Margaret, Jeff, and Bryce. Residents and parishioners in Newport Place, Nile Road, Pax Avenue, Quebec Road, Raines Avenue, Regal Place, Regent Street.

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 26th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun, friendship and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 27th	10am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 28th	Mainly Music at 10.00am. Cost \$5.00.
Sunday 1 st December	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion

Readings for next Sunday 1st December

First Reading - Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Epistle -1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

Gospel - Luke 21: 25-36

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Patrick and Marion

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS - Sunday 22nd DECEMBER
9.30am (**NO** 8am service this day)

CHRISTMAS EVE - Tuesday 24th DECEMBER
5.00pm Christingle Children &
Family Service (with communion).

11.00pm
Candles, Carols & Communion

CHRISTMAS DAY – Wednesday 25th DECEMBER
8.00am - 9.30am Carols & Holy Communion

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COME & JOIN US