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

Sunday 12th May 2024

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Sentence - Jesus prayed, Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one'. John 17:11

Collect - Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth until the end of time; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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8.00am - Blue Book 9.30am - NZPB 476

Readings for today Sunday 12th May

First Reading - Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26 Epistle - John 5: 9-13 Gospel - John 17: 6-19 Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers and sisters (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Brothers and sisters, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus, for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." "So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was added to the eleven apostles.

1 John 5: 9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

John 17: 6-19

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

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 in Becroft Drive, Belmont Terrace, Blakeborough Drive, Bond Crescent, Catalina Crescent, Corunna Road.

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 14th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun,
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Wednesday	10am Holy Communion. Followed by morning
15th	tea.
Thursday16th	Mainly Music resumes 10am. Cost \$5.00 per
	family.
Sunday 19th	8.00am Holy Communion
	9.30am Holy Communion

Readings for next Sunday19th May

First Reading - Acts 2: 1-21 Epistle - Romans 8: 22-27 Gospel - John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15 Readers - 8.00am - To be advised Readers - 9.30am - Chris and Christine

Lucky Draw Raffle -

1st prize a crotchet double blanket was won by Patrick Jackson, 2nd prize a crotchet knee blanket was won by Liz Powell. Thank you to Noreen for her stunning crochet blanket and to Lyn for her lovely knee blanket.

Date for your diary-

A parish dinner has been arranged for Friday June 14th at 6.30pm. On the advice of many parishioners we have changed the venue 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.