

**PARISH OF MILFORD**  
**St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford**

**Sunday 18th September 2022**

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**Sentence:** You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. 2 Corinthians 8: 9

**Collect:** O God, you are rich in love for your people: show us the treasure that endures, and when we are tempted by greed, call us back into your service and make us worthy to be entrusted with the wealth that never fails. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

<b>Introit</b>	75 You servants of God, your master proclaim
<b>Gradual</b>	669 Lord, be my vision
<b>Offertory</b>	317 At the name of Jesus
<b>Dismissal</b>	96 Sing praise to the Lord

8.00am - Blue Book

9.30am - NZPB 404

**Readings for today Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**First Reading** - Jeremiah 8: 18 - 9:1

**Epistle** - 1 Timothy 2: 1-7

**Gospel** - Luke 16 1-13

**Readers** - 8.00am - Michael and Patsy Hill

**Readers** - 9.30am - Chris and Christine Maud

## **Jeremiah 8: 18 - 9:1**

My joy is gone; grief is upon me; my heart is sick.

Listen! The cry of the daughter of my people from far and wide in the land: “Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?” (“Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?”) “The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.” For the brokenness of the daughter of my people I am broken, I mourn, and horror has seized me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of the daughter of my people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!

## **1 Timothy 2: 1-7**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and acceptable before God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.

## **Luke 16 1-13**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you, but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the

tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the other people living in Jerusalem?

No, I tell you, but unless you repent you will all perish just as they did.” Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the man working the vineyard, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good, but if not, you can cut it down.’ ” Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.

We remember in our prayers - Hunter, Donna, Julie, Rosemary, Megan, Dianne, Noeline, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Margaret, Geoff. Residents and parishioners in Braemar Road, Castor Bay Road, Eastcliffe Road, Gamons Way, Heathcote Road, Katui Street.

### **NEXT WEEK**

Tuesday 20th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for friendship, fun and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 21st	10.00am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 22nd	Mainly Music 10.00am. Cost \$5.00.
Sunday 25th	Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am.

## **Readings for next Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**First Reading** - Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

**Epistle1** - 1 Timothy 6: 6-19

**Gospel** - Luke 16: 19-31

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

**Readers** - 9.30am - Patrick and Gaylene

**Quiz Night** - It's time for a fun fund raising evening. We will have a quiz night on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November in the parish hall. Please put this date in your diary. If you would like to make up a team of six that would be great. Teams can also be made up from those names on the list, which will be available in the next couple of weeks. Watch this space for further details.