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

## Sunday 19th February 2023

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**Sentence** - You shall be holy, for the Lord your God is holy. You shall love your neighbour as yourself. Leviticus 19:18

**Collect** - Hidden God, whose wisdom compels our love and unsettles all our values: fill us with desire to search for her truth, that we may transform the world, becoming fools for her sake, through Jesus Christ, your Word and Wisdom made flesh, to whom be glory for ever. Amen

Introit77 All people that on earth do dwellGradual183 Oh, the deep, deep love of JesusOffertory663 Come down, O love divineDismissal44 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

**8.00am -** Blue Book **9.30am -** NZPB 404

Readings for today Sunday 19th February 2023 First Reading - Leviticus 19: 1-2, 9-18 Epistle - 1 Corinthians 3: 10-11, 16-23 Gospel - Matthew 5: 38-48 Readers 8am - To be advised Readers 9.30am - Marion and Gaylene

#### Leviticus 19: 1-2, 9-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: "Speak to all the congregation of the Israelites and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall each revere your mother and father, and you shall keep my Sabbaths: I am the LORD your God. Do not turn to idols or make cast images for yourselves: I am the LORD your God. "When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. You shall not strip your vineyard bare or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God. "You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD. "You shall not defraud your neighbour; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a labourer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD. "You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand idly by when the blood of your neighbour is at stake: I am the LORD. "You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the LORD.

## 1 Corinthians 3: 10-11, 16-23

According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Let each builder choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." So let no one boast about people. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

#### Matthew 5: 38-48

"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you: Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also, and if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, give your coat as well, and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.' But I say to you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven, for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

We remember in our prayers -Tomas, Hunter, Donna, Julie, Rosemary, Megan, Dianne, Noeline, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Margaret, Geoff. Residents and parishioners in Havelock Avenue, Keldale Place, Kennedy Avenue, Knightsbridge Drive, Linwood Avenue, Lyttleton Avenue.

# **NEXT WEEK**

Tuesday 21st	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for friendship, fun and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 22nd	ASH wednesday 10.00am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 23rd	Mainly Music 10.00am. Cost \$5.00.
Sunday 26th	Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am.

## Readings for next Sunday 26th February 2023 First Sunday in Lent

First Reading - Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Epistle - Romans 5:12-19 Gospel - Matthew 4:1-11 Readers 8am - To be advised Readers 9.30am - Karen and Patrick

# LENT IS A TIME FOR

