

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

Sunday 17th March 2024

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Sentence - 'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law in within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.' Jeremiah 31:33

Collect - O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Introit	384	My song is love unknown
Gradual	414	Now the green blade rises
Offertory	466	For the bread which you have broken
Closing	383	Man of sorrows

8.00am - Lenten Liturgy

9.30am - Lenten Liturgy

Readings for next Sunday 17th March

First Reading - Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Epistle - Hebrews 5: 5-10

Gospel - John 12: 20-33

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

Readers - **9.30am** - Karen and Patrick

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

Hebrews 5: 5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered, and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

John 12: 20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a

voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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 Dallinghoe Crescent, Dodson Avenue, Fenwick Avenue, Frater Avenue, Frieston Road, Gordon Avenue.

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 19th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun, friendship and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 20th	10am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 21st	10.00am Mainly Music. \$5.00 per family.
Friday 22nd	Quiz parish fundraiser 7pm. \$20.00 per person. Come and join us.
Sunday 24 th	 <p>Passion Palm Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion</p>

**Readings for next Sunday 24th March
Passion Palm Sunday**

First Reading - Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Epistle - Philippians 2: 5-11

Gospel - Passion Gospel

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Erika and Sarah

Dates for your diaries –

Friday 22nd March - 7pm

Parish Quiz night join us for a night of fun and friendship. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. We will provide a light supper at half time. Cost \$20.00 per person. Make up your own table of 6, or we can put you into a group. Please sign the list at the back of the church ASAP, thank you.

Thursday 28th March -

Maundy Thursday - 7.30pm Extinguishing the light and Communion.

Friday 29th March -

Good Friday - 9.30am procession of the cross from the Milford Baptist Church followed by a combined service at 10.00am at the Catholic church of St Vincent De Paul (corner of Fenwick and Kitchener Road Milford).

Sunday 31st March -

Easter Day - Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am.

Sunday 7th April - 9.30am

Parish AGM. There will be only one service this Sunday.