

PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 15th January 2023

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Sentence - God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 1 Corinthians 1-9

Collect - **Almighty God, whose Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

Introit	40 Heavenly hosts in ceaseless worship
Gradual	331 We have a gospel to proclaim
Offertory	75 You servants of God, your master proclaim
Dismissal	37 Glory in the highest

8.00am - Blue Book

9.30am - NZPB 404

Readings for today Sunday 15th January 2023

First Reading - Isaiah 49:1-7

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel - John 1: 29-42

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Denis and Patrick

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands; pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born; while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have laboured in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

1 Corinthians 1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes. To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 1- 29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.” The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

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 Aberdeen Road, Beach Road, Bevyn Street, Braemar Road, Castor Bay Road.

Readings next Sunday 22nd January 2023

First Reading - Isaiah 9: 1-4

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

Gospel - Matthew 4: 12-23

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Megan and Erika

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 17th	Selwyn Centre. Is in recess and will resume on Tuesday 7th February 2023.
Wednesday 18th	10.00am Holy Communion. This service will resume on Wednesday 8th February 2023
Thursday 19th	Mainly Music. Is in recess and will resume on Thursday 9th February 2023.
Sunday 22nd	Holy Communion 8.00am and 9.30am.

House wanted to rent –

A parishioner is requiring a property that is available for rent in the Milford or Forrest Hill area that has two to three bedrooms, and is dog friendly. If you know of a property please speak to Shelly.