

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

Sunday 14th April

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Sentence - Turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord. Acts 3: 19,20

Collect - Lord of life, by submitting to death, you conquered the grave; by being lifted upon the cross, you draw all peoples to you; by being raised from the dead, you restore to humanity all that was lost through sin: be with us in your risen power, that in word and deed we may proclaim the marvellous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and through eternity. Amen

Introit 400 Christ the Lord is risen again
Gradual 442 The head that once was crowned with thorns
Offertory 384 My song is love unknown
Closing 417 Thine be the glory! risen, conquering son

8.00am - Blue Book

9.30am - NZPB 476

Readings for today Sunday 14th April

First Reading - Acts 3: 12-19

Epistle -1 John 3: 1-7

Gospel – Luke 24: 36b-48

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Chris and Christine Maud

Acts 3: 12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, “Fellow Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the holy and righteous one and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. “And now, brothers and sisters, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent, therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

1 John 3: 1-7

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’”

Luke 24: 36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see, for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. Yet for all their joy they were still disbelieving and wondering, and he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 16th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun, friendship and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 17th	Bishop Ross and the Episcopal team will be with us this Wednesday 17 th April 2024 at the 10am service. Bishop Ross will preach and preside at the service, and it would be great if you could come along and be part of this gathering. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 18th	School Holidays no Mainly Music.
Sunday 21st	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion

Readings for next Sunday 21st April

First Reading - Acts 4:5-12

Epistle - 1 John 3:16-24

Gospel - John 10:11-18

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Marion and Megan

We remember in our prayers - Trixie, 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 Stratford Avenue, Sudan Avenue, Sylvan Park Avenue, Thornton Road, Tobruk Crescent, Trafalgar Road.

Visit from Bishop Ross Bay - Bishop Ross and the Episcopal team will be with us this Wednesday 17th April 2024. Bishop Ross will preach and preside at the 10am service, and it would be great if you could come along and be part of this gathering.

Morning Tea - it's time to resume having morning tea after the Sunday morning services. The supplies will be provided, and a roster will be prepared so that you know when it's your turn. For the 9.30am service, if you could let Megan know when you are available that would be great.

Men's Breakfast or Dinner - if you would like to gather for a time of fellowship over a meal, time and frequency is dependent on what would work for the majority. Please indicate your preferences on the clipboard at the back of the church.