

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

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

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**Sentence** - Jesus prayed. 'Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one' John 17: 11

**Collect** - Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that we might fill all things: mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth until the end of time; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Introit** 31 Christ is king! O friends rejoice  
**Gradual** 442 The head that once was crowned with thorns  
**Offertory** 476 O Christ, at your first Eucharist  
**Dismissal** 577 Lord of the church

**8.00am** - Blue Book  
**9.30am** - NZPB 476

**Readings for today Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

**Epistle** - 1 John 5: 9-13

**Gospel** - John 17: 6-19

Readers 8.00am - To be advised

Readers 9.30am - Liz and Karen

## **Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26**

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

## **1 John 5: 9-13**

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

## **John 17: 6-19**

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

We remember in our prayers - Derek, Noeline, Bob, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Jessica, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Bob, and Debbie. And residents and parishioners in Trafalgar Road, Waterloo Road, Wolsey Avenue, Shakespeare Road.

**Readings for next Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - Ezekiel 37: 1-14

**Epistle** - Romans 8: 22-27

**Gospel** - John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-14

Readers 8.00am -To be advised

Readers 9.30am - Patrick and Gaylene

## **THIS WEEK**

Tuesday 18th	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship and fun. Cost \$4.00
Wednesday 19th	10.00am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 20th	10.00am Mainly Music.
Sunday 23rd	Holy Communion. 8.00am and 9.30am.

**High Tea** - A big thank you to Karen and Natalie for all the hard work and effort put in for making Saturdays high tea such a great success. Thank you also to those who donated items for the silent auction, and for those who helped on the day.

### **Healthy Church Consultation**

The healthy church consultation - begins today Sunday 16th May with Archdeacon Carole Hughes visiting to introduce the process.

The healthy church consultation is offered to every ministry unit across the Diocese of Auckland. It is a gift to each ministry unit and is done to encourage and equip parishioners to work on mission and ministry priorities based on a healthy church model.

All parishioners are strongly encouraged to participate by completing the questionnaire which is due by 31 May and by attending a workshop in July (date to be advised).

On Sunday 16 May Archdeacon Carole Hughes will outline the consultation process and present the questionnaire which will be available online as well as a hard copy. The questionnaire can be completed on the day or taken home to complete.

Alongside this process the Vicar will be having his 360 degree review.