

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

Sunday 23rd October 2022

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Sentence: Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it. Luke 18:17

Collect: O God, who alone can probe the depths of the heart, you hear the prayer of the humble and justify the repentant sinner: grant us the gift of humility, that, seeing our own faults clearly, we may refrain from judging our neighbour but rely solely upon your saving grace. We make our prayer through your Son, our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Introit	23 All creatures of our God and king
Gradual	39 Great is your faithfulness
Offertory	201 Jesus, lover of my soul
Dismissal	38 God, we praise you! God, we bless you

8.00am - Blue Book

9.30am - NZPB Liz and Gaylene

Readings for today Sunday 23rd October 2022

First Reading - Joel 2: 23-32

Epistle - 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Gospel - Luke 18: 9-14

Readers - 8.00am -To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Liz and Gaylene

Joel 2: 23-32

O children of Zion, be glad, and rejoice in the LORD your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army that I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved, for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it

not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Luke 18: 9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

We remember in our prayers - Hunter, Donna, Julie, Rosemary, Megan, Dianne, Noeline, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Margaret, Geoff. Residents and parishioners in Madison Place, Mayfair Street, Meadowvale Avenue. Merrifield Avenue, Newport Place.

Readings for next Sunday 30th October 2022

First Reading - Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Epistle - Ephesians 1:11-23

Gospel - Luke 6:20-31

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised

Readers - 9.30am - Joy and Erika

BUY-A- PLANK

Thank you to all those who have contributed so far. We have 21 planks for the reclad of our church. If you want to buy a plank ring or communicate with Liz Powell 09/4864208 or 021 0597290 or pow@xtra.co.nz. \$95 for one plank.

QUIZ NIGHT

Vestry has arranged for a fun night of Quizzing on Friday 11th November at 7.30pm. Cost \$20.00 per person. BYO snacks and drinks. A light supper and refreshments will be provided at half time. You're welcome to organise your own team of six. From the list of names we can also make up teams, and welcome any suggestions you may have in regards to the teams. We will have a silent auction and there will be prizes for the winning table. Any further enquiries please have a chat to either Mary or Grant