

PARISH OF MILFORD
St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford
Sunday 4th July

Vicar The Rev'd Grant Robertson
The Vicarage 10 Otakau Road, Milford
Website: www.stpaulsmilford.co.nz

Telephone: 486 1010
Parish Office: 486 0668

Sentence - Of Jesus many said, 'What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!' Mark 6:2

Collect - O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them; and more willing to give than we desire or deserve: in our every need, grant us the first and best of all your gifts, the Spirit who makes us your children. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Introit	509 Lord of all hopefulness
Gradual	673 O Christ, the Master Carpenter
Offertory	27B Angel-voices ever singing
Dismissal	376 Songs of thankfulness and praise

8.00am - To be advised

9.30am - NZPB 404

Readings for today Sunday 4th July

1st Reading - 2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10

Epistle - 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

Gospel - Mark 6: 1-13

Readers 8.00 -To be advised

Readers 9.30am - Patrick and Marion

2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, “Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The LORD said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.” So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Mark 6: 1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

We remember in our prayers - Noeline, Bob, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Jessica, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Bob, Debbie and Jeff. And residents and parishioners Keldale Place, Kennedy Avenue, Knightsbridge Drive, Linwood Avenue.

Readings for next Sunday 11th July

1st Reading - 2 Samuel 6: 1-5, 12b-19

Epistle - Ephesians 1: 3-14

Gospel - Mark 6: 14-29

Readers 8.00 - To be advised

Readers 9.30am - Patrick and Marion

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 6th	9.30am Selwyn Centre. Join us for friendship and fun. Cost \$4.00
Wednesday 7th	10.00am Holy Communion. Followed by morning tea.
Thursday 8th	10.00am Mainly Music. Final for the term. Resumes 29 th July.
Sunday 11th	Holy Communion. 8.00am and 9.30am

Parish Dinner - Thursday 5th August 7.00pm at El Greco - Greek Italian Eatery. 11 The Esplanade, Campbell's Bay. Please sign list at the back of the church if you will be coming as numbers are limited.

Healthy Church Process Meeting - To discuss the result of the completed surveys all are invited to attend a parish meeting on Saturday the 10th of July 10.00am to 2.00pm. Soup and rolls will be provided for our lunch at 12.00noon.