

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

**Easter Day - Sunday 9th April 2023**

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**Sentence** - The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

**Collect** - Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Introit	408 Jesus Christ is risen today
Gradual	398 Alleluia, alleluia! hearts to heaven and voices raised
Offertory	458 Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
Dismissal	417 Thine be the glory

8.00am - Easter Day Liturgy

9.30am - Easter Day Liturgy

**Readings for today Sunday 9th April 2023 - Easter Day**

**First Reading** - Acts 10:34-43

**Epistle** - Colossians 3:1-4

**Gospel** - John 20:1-18

**Readers 8am** - To be advised

**Readers 9.30am** - Patrick and Marion

### **Acts 10:34-43**

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

### **Colossians 3:1-4**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

### **John 20:1-18**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, for as yet they did not

understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' " Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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 Pierce Road, Prestige Place, Prospect Terrace, Rangitoto Terrace, Richards Avenue.

## NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 11th	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for friendship, fun and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.
Wednesday 12th	10am Holy Communion. And morning tea.
Thursday 13th	Mainly Music in recess for school holidays. Resumes on the 27 <sup>th</sup> April.
Sunday 16th	Holy Communion 8am and 9.30am.

**Readings for next Sunday 16th April 2023**

**First Reading** - Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

**Epistle** - 1 Peter 1: 3-9

**Gospel** - John 20: 19-31

**Readers 8am** - To be advised

**Readers 9.30am** - Megan and Karen

**Dates to put in your Diaries -**

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April Annual General Meeting. There will be only one service on that Sunday at 9.30am.

**High Tea -**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. Cost \$40.00. Tickets will be on sale after Easter.