

Monday  
5 Feb

*Robin's Day off & Marge returns from USA*

1-3pm **Elder CARE Afternoon Tea in Trinity Lounge**  
3pm Crossroads Dance  
7.30pm **Lister's Home Group at 5 Ida St**

Tuesday  
6 Feb

*Waitangi Day* **NO!!** *Parish Office closed Waitangi Day Community Picnic at Dixon Park*  
*No Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St*

Wednesday  
7 Feb

10am Wednesday Women in Parish Centre  
10-11.30am **Parish Health Advisor in Quiet Room**  
12 noon **Dixon House Trust Board lunch in Parish Centre**  
3pm Crossroads Dance  
7.30pm Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre

Thursday  
8 Feb

3pm Crossroads Dance  
5.30pm Music Practice in the church

Friday  
9 Feb

10am Kids n Coffee in Trinity Complex  
3pm Crossroads Dance  
5.30pm **Men's at Monteith's (and ladies)**

Saturday  
10 Feb

Sunday  
11 Feb

1.30pm Walking group meet at church

**Services Next Weekend 10 & 11 February 2018**

**SATURDAY:**


6pm **Communion** (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)


**SUNDAY :**


8am **Holy Communion** (Quiet & reflective, no music. Finishes by 8.50am)  
9.55am **OASIS in Trinity Centre (7-11yr olds) & Sunday School (4-7yr olds)**  
10am **Family Communion** (Songs and hymns)  
2pm **Worship Service**  
6.30pm **The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd**


**KUMARA: 10am Morning Worship**

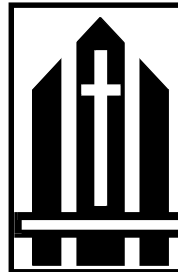
**Prayer Requests to: Ngaire Fisher 768 6505**

**MOWING**  
 Lewis Bell

**CLEANING**  
 Elaine Knowles & Jeanette Oliver

**FLOWERS**  
 Helen

**CRÈCHE**  
 Parents



**Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara  
3 & 4 February 2018**

***Blessed to be a Blessing  
Growing Disciples of Jesus***

**Theme for this weekend:** Lessons from Philippians Part 3:  
Humility of Jesus

**Readings for this weekend:**  
Philippians 2:5-11 (p.1525); Luke 22:24-27 (p.1354)

**Prayer for the Day: Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Theme for next weekend:** Lessons from Philippians Part 4  
Shining Lights in the World

**Readings for next weekend:** Philippians 2:12-18; Matthew 5:13-16

**UNAVAILABLE DATES  
- SERVICES ROSTER**

Would all those on the services roster please send their **unavailable dates for the period 1 March to 30 June**, to Nicky in the Parish Office as soon as possible? These can be emailed, phoned in or handwritten. Thank you.

**OASIS**

Our children's Oasis program begins again next week. Thank you to our faithful team of leaders.

**PARISH HEALTH ADVISOR**

Marjorie will hold her monthly clinic this Wednesday from 10-11.30am in the Quiet Room. Feel free to drop in for a check-up and some friendly advice on health related matters.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

This year the annual event will be on **Friday, 2 March at 7pm** in Holy Trinity Church. We are responsible for all the arrangements. Everyone is invited to attend. The service has been prepared by the ladies in Suriname, a small country at the top of South America.

**SUBMISSION ON EUTHANASIA BILL**

Enclosed in this newsletter is a submission prepared by Robin. If you are happy with it, and agree, then please sign your name and address on the sheet in the foyer. It will be available this weekend and next weekend.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES**

12.10pm at St Patrick's and 7pm at Holy Trinity on **Valentine's Day, 14 February.**

Last Week: Attendance: 90 Offertory: \$3,029 (Total needed: \$3700)  
Total Earthquake funds received up to end of December 2017: \$179,395  
Earthquake donations received in December 2017: \$2,940  
Note: Earthquake Funds received in January will be reported by mid February



## Robin Writes

I was away in Nelson on Thursday when the storm hit. Our deepest sympathies to all who had damage done to their properties, and sympathies also to all of you who had plants, bushes and trees destroyed or damaged. If you are a gardener, it is painful seeing damage to your treasured plants. Thanks to all who assisted one another in clearing up damage and debris and minimising further damage.

Holy Trinity had a glass pane blown out of the veranda roof covering outside the crèche. We have prevented further damage, but unfortunately the ramp cannot be used until it has been repaired. Sotherans will do it as soon as they can.

On the brighter side of things, we have heard from our family in Central Asia. Their youngest daughter has finally had a diagnosis of atypical migraine. She now has medication to take when pain is first recognised. Otherwise she can live a normal life. She is certainly fit and well now, and the family were reunited for a New Year celebration.

Their letter is very encouraging with news of what is happening. Worth a read if you have the time. It is on the foyer noticeboard.

Marge sends her love and greetings to you all. She is looking forward to being with you all again - and me too, I hope!

Love and blessings, Robin

### HOW'S IT GOING?

Harmony and unity are topics that are very close to the heart of Jesus and also Paul the apostle. Paul often wrote to churches encouraging them to work as one, to have good relationships with one another and to care for another.

Our parish works hard at trying to keep good relationships with one another. We sometimes do get under each other's skin. However, I notice that we also work hard at forgiving one another when that happens. We try not to make ourselves seem more important than others.

This is also true between the different denominations here in Greymouth. Our good relationships together mean that when we inadvertently hurt one another, we tend to quickly ask for forgiveness, and receive it easily.

So, What does Paul mean when he says we must be of ONE MIND? What does Jesus mean when he calls us to be one with Him, and He one with us?

I think it means that our attitude and deepest desire is that Jesus is central in our lives, and that we want to do what pleases Him.

We all have different gifts, different thoughts, different emphases. How different can we be? The Church way back in the 4th century set boundaries for the differences. They outlined the minimum beliefs, called the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds.

Provided we are within that belief, we can have true fellowship with others who are in that same belief. So how are you going?

### MOTION 29

Bishop Richard has asked each parish to facilitate respectful conversations regarding a proposal coming before General Synod in May 2018. The proposal is the result of Motion 29 at General Synod 2016 that established a working group to explore a structure that would allow those who believed it was right to bless couples in same sex relationships and those who believed it was not right, to remain united in the same current Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

Vestry decided that the best way was to hold these discussions within home groups and other gatherings for those not in home groups.

**IN EACH CASE BOTH MEETINGS ARE IMPORTANT. We hope folk can attend both.**

**12 Feb & 26 Feb at 7.30pm**  
Trevor's Group at the **Parish Centre**

**13 Feb & 27 Feb at 7.30pm**  
Samara's, Marjorie's, Hawes' & Young Adults in the **Church Lounge**

**14 Feb & 28 Feb at 7.30pm**  
Lavers' Group, Menz Group and Robin's Group in the **Parish Centre**

**16 Feb & 23 Feb at 11am**  
Dot & Dave's Group at **17 Westvale Drive**

**19 Feb & 5 March at 7.30pm**  
David & Tricia's Group and Listers' Group in the **Parish Centre**

**20 Feb & 6 March at 10.30am**  
Joyce's Group in the **Parish Centre**

**21 Feb & 28 Feb at 10am**  
Diana's Group in the **Parish Centre**

**An Open Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 15 February and 1 March in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm**

**This meeting is for anyone who is not in a Home Group, so that everyone has an opportunity to be involved in these discussions.**

### The Beautiful World of Baroque

**Music - CONCERT AT ST PATRICK'S Music and Dance with international guests.** Instrumental Music from Vivaldi, Corelli, Telemann and others with solo dance performance

**WHERE:** St Patrick's Church,

**WHEN:** Thursday 8th February at 7.30pm

**COST :** Adults \$45.00, Senior \$35.00, Student \$20.00, children under 14 years free.

Door sales are available, but cash only or online tickets at [www.barquemusic.co.nz](http://www.barquemusic.co.nz)

See poster in church foyer for more information.

### WORD FOR TODAY

The latest edition of this devotional booklet is available in the foyer. Please help yourself. A gold coin donation in the offering would be appreciated to help cover costs.

### VESTRY

Amongst the topics raised was the condition of the carpet in the church. There are a number of spots where it is threadbare, and some parts in the sanctuary area (by the altar) are becoming dangerous. Pete White told us that the carpet is now deteriorating to the point that it can no longer be repaired. After all, it is 60 years old.

Vestry asked Pete to investigate possibilities for style and method of carpeting. There have been some innovative changes over the years. The obvious time to recarpet will be after the earthquake strengthening is complete in the church, and before we put everything back. This means that we are likely to see the new carpet by the end of 2018, depending, of course, on the AGM agreeing to the suggestion.

We are still on track to put the strengthening project out for tender by the end of this month. This will enable the AGM meeting in April to be able to make informed decisions on all the financial matters affecting the strengthening and associated issues.

### DAVEY FAMILY

Michael and Jackie are now settled in their new home. Their address is 88 Belt Rd, Allenton, Ashburton. Phone 03 308 3711. If you are over that way they'd love to see you.

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