

Monday 5 Mar	<i>Clergy day off</i>	
	1-3pm	Elder CARE Afternoon Tea in Trinity Lounge
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7.30pm	Tricia & David's and Lister's Home Groups discussion of Motion 29 Part 2 in Parish Centre
Tuesday 6 Mar	6:30am	Prayer regarding Motion 29 in Chapel (ends at 6:45am)
	9.15am	Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St
	10.30am	Joyce's Group to discuss Motion 29 Parts 1 & 2 in Parish Centre
	12:30pm	Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre
	1pm	Pastoral Care in Parish Centre
	2pm	Ladies Guild in Parish Centre
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7.30pm	Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St
Wednesday 7 Mar	10am	Wed Women discussion of Motion 29 part 2 in Parish Centre
	10-11.30am	Parish Health Advisor in Quiet Room
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7.30pm	Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre
Thursday 8 Mar	6:30am	Prayer regarding Motion 29 in Chapel (ends at 6:45am)
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	5.30pm	Music Practice in the church
	7.30pm	Open Parish Meeting to summarise Motion 29 in Trinity Lounge
Friday 9 Mar	10am	Kids n Coffee in Trinity Complex
	11am	Dot & Dave's Morning Group at 17 Westvale Dr
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7pm	The Shed Youth Group, 186 Main South Rd
Saturday	ALL DAY	Nelson Synod to discuss the Motion 29 Report
Sunday 11 Mar	1.30pm	Walking group meet at church

Services Next Weekend 10 & 11 March 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 Holy Communion
 6.30pm The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd

Prayer Requests to: Ngaire Fisher 768 6505

MOWING



Roger
Lavers

CLEANING



Bronwen
Skates &
Peter
Wetherall

FLOWERS



Helen

CRÈCHE



Parents



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
3 & 4 March 2018

Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: Lessons from Philipians Part 7:
 Learning to be Satisfied and the Blessings of Giving and Receiving

Readings for this weekend:
 Philipians 4:10-19 (p.1527); Matthew 6:19-21 (p.1229)

Prayer for the Day: Our Father, in a world of insatiable appetites, teach us to be content. In a world full of need, teach us to be generous. In a world full of a sense of entitlement, teach us to receive gifts with humility and thankfulness. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Pleasing Jesus
 Readings for next weekend: Deuteronomy 6:1-9; John 10:10

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

Our deepest sympathies to Jack and Helen Williams on the death of Jack's very special cousin, Ismay. Her service was held on Thursday at St. Christopher's Avonhead. Our sincere condolences, too, to Greville and Marilyn Wood on the death of Marilyn's brother-in-law, Shane, in Durban, South Africa. Please hold both these families in your prayers at this time.

any other special parish meetings that are held, you must be on the Parish Electoral Roll. The current roll is posted on the foyer notice board. If you are not currently on the Roll and wish to be, provided you are baptised and have been worshipping with us for at least 4 months, please fill in a yellow form which is available in the foyer and hand to one of the clergy or Nicky by Sun 8 April.

AGM REPORTS

Please could all those in charge of various ministries and groups get your 2017 reports to Nicky in the Parish Office so that the AGM Report booklet can be prepared. These can be emailed or hand written and dropped off.

SPECIAL FINAL MEETING ON MOTION 29

Thursday 8 March at 7.30pm in the Church Lounge.

This is an opportunity to receive feedback of where the parish as a whole sits on this issue and to hear comments from folk from other groups. You will also have a chance to change your vote if you are swayed by the discussions that evening. Our synod reps will be present.

ELECTORAL ROLL & AGM

Our AGM is on Thursday 12th April at 7.30pm in the Trinity Lounge. In order to stand for an office or vote at the AGM and

Last Week: Attendance: 136 Offertory: \$ 3,025 (Total needed: \$3,200)
 Total Earthquake funds received up to end of January 2018: \$182,365
 Earthquake donations received in January 2018: \$2,970
 Note: Earthquake Funds received in February will be reported by mid March



Marge Writes

We are now more than half way through our Part 2 discussions on the recommendations of the Motion 29 Report. Part 2, of course, is where we are putting forward the arguments for and against accepting the Report's recommendations. I am delighted with the manner in which participants are sharing opinions—with conviction and, yet, respect for the other point of view. I am pleased that so many have expressed that they have not found it easy to come to a decision which shows a real sense of wanting to fairly consider different points of view. I am thrilled that while we are not of one mind, we seem to be of one heart. By that I mean we are hanging together as a parish even though we have different opinions on this issue. I really want to encourage everyone to attend the meeting this Thursday (see pg 1) to be able to listen to people from the wider parish and to receive feedback of where the parish as a whole stands on this matter.

Please pray for your clergy and lay synod reps this week as we gather next Saturday with the rest of the Nelson Synod, to determine our diocesan position on the Motion 29 Report.

We have major decisions to make regarding our buildings at the AGM on April 12th. I emphasize again the necessity of being on the Electoral Roll in order to vote or stand for office. Please see item on pg 1.

Nominations are now open for Vestry and People's Warden. The elections will be held at the AGM. Please pray about standing or who

to nominate and complete the necessary paperwork by the required deadline (see item on pg 2).

On a more personal matter, it looks like it may be necessary for me to visit my mom again before the booked visit in July. It would be after the AGM, but no dates are finalized yet.

With love and blessings,

Marge

HOW'S IT GOING?

Paul gave us some key ways to help us in times of stress. We can receive a supernatural sense of peace from the Lord in the midst of stressful situations, provided we fulfil four conditions.

1. Rejoice in the Lord. Be thrilled that God loves us, forgives us, adopts us into His family and gives us eternal life.
2. We have a deep down contentment with life, whether things are going our way or not. In all things we are content!
3. We have a gentle spirit. This refers to the way we communicate or talk with others. We listen carefully and don't try and bulldoze people to do what we want.
4. We have a thankful spirit. We thank God for all that is happening, whether good or bad. We appreciate the little things.

When we fulfil these conditions we find God gives us a supernatural peace when others are really struggling around us.

So, how's it doing?

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TRASH N TREASURE WANTED

Our mini-Fair is coming up in 6 weeks time, Sat 7th April. If you have any goods you would like to donate to the garage sale (proceeds go to support the Johnson family in Taiwan), please leave in the Parish Centre garage.

NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination forms for Vestry Members and People's Warden are in the foyer. **Nominations close on Wednesday, 4 April.** Elections will be held at our AGM on Thursday, April 12 for the following roles:

Vestry (up to 10 people) - Vestry is responsible for overseeing the finance, property, and mission of the church in months between AGMs. Currently Vestry meets in the evening of the 4th Thursday of most months.

People's Warden - elected by the parish at the AGM. Along with the Vicar's Warden (who is appointed by the Vicar), the People's Warden has some extra responsibilities with regards to the Vicar, staff and parish. People's Wardens are members of Vestry and so this involves the monthly commitment as well.

Please prayerfully consider who you might nominate for these offices.

LADIES GUILD

The first 2018 Ladies Guild meeting will be held on **Tues 6th March at 2pm** in the Parish Centre. We will be making plans for the mini fair to be held on 7th April. All welcome.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

On **Saturday 17 March**, Elim will be hosting a Men's Breakfast at the New Life Church in Leonard St. Begins 8am. Cost \$10pp. RSVP to Henry Lawrence 021 048 7530 or 768 6844 by 15 March.

2018 LENTEN APPEAL

Giving to the needy is one of the disciplines that many in the church engage with during Lent. If you wish to contribute, please use the green and white Lenten Appeal envelope and place into the offering bag anytime up to Easter.

PARISH HEALTH ADVISOR

Marjorie will run 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 issues.

MOTION 29 DISCUSSIONS

Our Motion 29 discussion meetings conclude this week. Some changes in the original schedule had to be made due to weather a couple of weeks ago. One or more synod reps will be present at our Part 2 discussions. Do please find a time to attend and hold this process in prayer:

Mon 5 March at 7.30pm (Part 2)

David & Tricia's Group and Listers' Group in the **Parish Centre**

Tues 6 March at 10.30am (Parts 1 & 2)

Joyce's Group in the **Parish Centre**

Wed 7 March at 10am (Part 2)

Diana's Group in the **Parish Centre**

Thurs 8 March at 7:30pm (Summary Mtg)

Please see item on page 1 of newsletter.

PRAYER FOR MOTION 29 DISCUSSIONS

For the next few weeks there will be prayer in the chapel at 6.30am for about 15 minutes on two days each week:

Tuesday 6.30am in the Chapel

Thursday 6.30am in the Chapel

We are all encouraged to find some time to pray for the discussions, the Nelson Synod meeting on Saturday, 10 March, and for the General Synod meeting that begins 4 May. This can be at any time of the day on your own or with others.

KUMARA CHURCH SERVICES

The Kumara parishioners have decided that they will experiment with a once monthly service to be reviewed in June.

They will meet on the 1st Sunday of each month at 10am for Communion.

GOOD FRIDAY 10 AM ROSTER

Those who received rosters last week may have noticed nothing scheduled for 10AM Good Friday. A computer glitch happened before printing that blanked out the info. There will be a 10AM family service and those who are rostered have been informed.