

Monday 19 Mar	<i>Clergy day off</i>	
	1-3pm	Elder CARE Afternoon Tea in Trinity Lounge
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7pm	Trevor's Home Group in Quiet Room
	7.30pm	Tricia & David's Home Group at 359 Main South Rd
	7.30pm	Lister's Home Group at 5 Ida St
Tuesday 20 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 Home Group in Parish Centre
	12.15pm	Prayer meeting in Parish Centre
	1pm	Pastoral Care meeting in Parish Centre
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7pm	Hawes' Home Group at 57 Doyle St
	7.30pm	Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St
Wednesday 21 Mar	10am	Wednesday Women in Parish Centre
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	7.30pm	Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre
Thursday 22 Mar	6:30am	Prayer regarding Motion 29 in Chapel (ends at 6:45am)
	3pm	Crossroads Dance
	5.45-8pm	Toolbox for Youth at 35 Karoro Place
	5.45pm	Music Practice in the church
	7pm	Vestry meeting in Parish Centre
Friday 23 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
Sunday 25 Mar	1.30pm	Walking group meet at church for Punakaiki walk

Services Next Weekend 24 & 25 March 2018 Palm Sunday

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



Lewis Bell

CLEANING



Bronwen
Skates &
Peter
Wetherall

FLOWERS



Paula &
Liz

CRÈCHE



Parents



**Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
17 & 18 March 2018**

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

Theme for this weekend: The Benefits of His Passion

Readings for this weekend:

Numbers 21:5-9 (p.1591); John 3:11-21 (p.1365)

Prayer for the Day: Most merciful Father, by the passion of your Son Jesus Christ you delivered us from the power of darkness; grant that through faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may receive remission of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. This we pray through Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Palmy Days

Readings for next weekend: 1 John 1:5-10; John 12:12-19

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Those of you who use the offertory envelope system may collect your new set of envelopes from the foyer. This is a good time to think about one's giving. Some have found moving to an automatic payment very helpful, rather than having to put an envelope in every week.

For those not on either the envelope scheme or an automatic payment, you may want to consider this. At present the New Zealand government very generously gives back one third of all donations to church work if it is recorded through one of those two methods mentioned. This generosity means that you get a significant refund each year about the end of May.

By the end of April we will put out the annual

receipts. If you don't know how to claim the one third back from Inland Revenue, do chat to Robin. The form is very simple, and it does not need any of your details about your earnings. It is purely a form asking for any donations you have given for which you have receipts from registered charity groups.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

Our deepest sympathies to Kevin and Dawn Caldwell, and all their family, on the recent and unexpected death of their daughter-in-law, Sue, in Australia. Please hold all members of this family in your prayers.

UNITING CHURCH FAIR

Let's support our neighbours by attending their annual fair next Saturday, 24 March, at 10AM.

Last Week: Attendance: 122 Offertory: \$ 3,447 (Total needed: \$3,200)
 Total Earthquake funds received up to end of February 2018: \$184,940
 Earthquake donations received in February 2018: \$2,575
 Note: Earthquake Funds received in March will be reported by mid April



Marge Most of you have heard by now the **Writes** results of the special Synod in Nelson last weekend. But for those that haven't, here is a summary.

At the start of the day it was decided to deal with each part of the motion separately for the purposes of debate and voting. The debate over whether or not to encourage our General Synod Reps to support the Motion 29 Report's Recommendations was robust and respectful. We voted by houses and in the houses of clergy and laity the vote was not unanimous, but the majority in both houses supported the Motion 29 Report.

As regards the motion about the response of our General Synod Reps should the Motion 30 Report's Recommendations be again before General Synod, the motion was withdrawn.

I am happy to share more details, as I did at the end of each service last Sunday, but space here is limited so please chat with me, Robin, Trevor, Jacquie, or Libby.

Just a reminder that the vote at our special Diocesan Synod last Saturday was to give our General Synod reps an inkling of where our diocese sits as regards the recommendations from the Motion 29 Report. The decisions that will impact the Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand

and Polynesia rest with General Synod May 4-11. Do continue to pray for General Synod.

Again I thank this parish for the attention you gave this matter. It was clear on Saturday that not every parish had fairly and robustly wrestled with understanding the recommendations and their implications in the way that you did.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

Pleasing Jesus, pleasing God is the desire of every Christian. Jesus both taught and showed us what pleases God—loving God and loving our neighbour.

Last weekend Diana asked us, "What does loving God and loving our neighbour look like?" She reminded us that Jesus also said that we must become like little children in order to enter the Kingdom of God. With that thought we were treated to many quotes from children ranging from 4-8 yrs old as they defined love. As we listened to these delightful definitions of love, we realised that the children were also describing the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

So we please Jesus by loving God and loving our neighbour. And this loving will be marked by love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

May we all allow the Holy Spirit to produce the fruit that pleases Jesus.

So, how's it going?

MINI FAIR SATURDAY 7 APRIL
DONATIONS OF
BAKING, PRODUCE AND PRESERVES

ARE MOST NEEDED.

Please drop these off to the Parish Centre beforehand or on Friday afternoon 6th April to the church kitchen.

Donations for the Garage Sale of the following items will also be much appreciated:

Books, Kitchenware, Household goods
Items can be placed inside the Parish Centre Garage or by the Parish Centre front door.

Please NO Clothing

Anyone wishing to assist with the Garage Sale on the day, please see Robin.

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 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.**

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.

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.

SOULFOOD (FORMERLY TOOLBOX)

This is the week night group that is designed for those at High School. Corraliegh Dodd (Ph: 768 4234 or 027 364 8524) is the organiser.

We are doing something different this year. We are meeting at the home of Robin and Marge at 35 Karoro Place. Starting time is 5.45pm for a 6pm meal. At about 6.45pm we start our serious study which is an overview of the whole of the Bible, led by Robin. We will focus on the Old Testament this year, and the New Testament next year.

At present we have five young people attending, but we can easily have many more.

If you know of any high school student who would like to join us, please let them know and they can contact Corraliegh or Robin. They don't have to be members of Holy Trinity to come.

The meal is being prepared and cooked each week by Barbara Payn—and this past Thursday we had delicious lasagne, salad and apple crumble. Brilliant! (One week Marge may even fire up the bbq!!) A donation towards the cost of the meal each week is welcomed, but not required (maximum of \$5).

If the young people stay the distance, they will know more about the Bible than many adults!

ROBIN AWAY THIS WEEKEND

Robin is away at Spring Creek Parish near Blenheim for a seminar on Friday and Saturday on Healing of Memories, and will be preaching at their Sunday morning service.

MARGE AND ROBIN AWAY NEXT WEEKEND FOR FAMILY WEDDING

Marge and Robin will be in Motueka next weekend for the wedding of Robin's nephew. Our thanks in advance to Revd David Hastings for taking the Palm Sunday weekend services.

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