

Monday 9 Apr	3pm 7pm <b>7.30pm</b>	<i>Parish Office closed Clergy day off</i> Crossroads Dance Trevor's Home Group in Quiet Room <b>Johnson's Home Support Group meeting at 359 Main South Rd</b>
Tuesday 10 Apr	6:30am 9.15am 3pm 7pm <b>7pm</b> 7.30pm	Prayer regarding Motion 29 in Chapel (ends at 6:45am) Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St Crossroads Dance Hawes' Home Group at 57 Doyle St <b>Samara's Home Group, 97 Marsden Rd</b> Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St
Wednesday 11 Apr	10am <b>10am</b> <b>11am</b> 3pm <b>7pm</b> <b>7.15pm</b> <b>NO!!!</b>	Wednesday Women in Parish Centre <b>Dixon House communion Service (Robin)</b> <b>Granger House Communion Service (Robin)</b> Crossroads Dance <b>Vestry meet in Parish Centre</b> <b>Lavers' Home Group, 18c Serpentine Rd</b> <b>NO! Robin's Home Group</b>
Thursday 12 Apr	6:30am 3pm  5.45pm <b>7.30pm</b>	Prayer regarding Motion 29 in Chapel (ends at 6:45am) Crossroads Dance <b>Soul Food - special program - contact Corraliegh</b> Music Practice for 10am service <b>Parish AGM in Trinity Hall</b>
Friday 13 Apr	10am 3pm	Kids n Coffee in Trinity Centre Crossroads Dance
Sunday 15 Apr	1.30pm	Walking group meet at church to car pool for Brunner Mine site and Arnold Power Station walk

**Services Next Weekend 14 & 15 April 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) & baptism of Aiden Zhong  
**2pm Holy Communion**  
**6.30pm The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd**

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

<b>MOWING</b>  Russell Nimmo	<b>CLEANING</b>  Robyn White & Samantha Ennis	<b>FLOWERS</b>  Helen	<b>CRÈCHE</b>  Parents
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## Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara 7 & 8 April 2018

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

**Theme for this weekend:** The Potter

**Readings for this weekend:**

Isaiah 64:1-9 (p.950); Mark 11: 20-26 (p.1294)

**Prayer for the Day:**

**Oh Gentle Potter, by your hand we are guided day by day. Lead us to submit to your hand. You have already imagined what we are to become, by your grace we pray for complete life change. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

Theme for next weekend: Use of Questions by Jesus, Paul and God

Readings for next weekend: Acts 19:1-7; Luke 9:1-7

**PARISH AGM**  
**7.30PM THURSDAY**  
**In TRINITY HALL**

If you are on the Holy Trinity Electoral Roll, please try to attend the Parish AGM on Thursday. We will be discussing and deciding on:

- How to proceed with the earthquake strengthening and all matters connected with it.
- Election of Vestry members
- Election of People's Warden

**BAPTISM SERVICES**

At 10am today we baptize Aiden Zhong, son of Kenny and Helen from China, and Nephew of Patricia and Randy Gopolla.

Next week at the 10am service we baptize Charlie Hawes, son of Jeff and Sarah and grandson of Ian and Nicky Hawes. Most of the Hawes family seem to be gathering for the occasion!

**MINI-FAIR AND GARAGE SALE**

Many thanks indeed to all those who contributed in any way towards this event. There were generous gifts of baking, preserves, plants, vegetables and lots of trash and treasure.

The Guild made a profit of \$496-67 from the sale of their goods, and the Garage Sale made \$642.40. The proceeds of the garage sale go towards the Johnson family as part of the Support Group's commitment of \$2,000 per annum.

A special thanks to all those who helped in any way with the setting up and packing away afterwards. It was a major effort.

Last Week: Attendance: 253 Offertory: \$ 3,471 (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



# Robin Writes

Marge really missed being at all of our Easter services. They are one of the highlights of the year, and it felt strange to her not being present. However, at least she was able to experience an Easter in USA again. There, Good Friday and Easter Monday are NOT public holidays, so it is not a long weekend with many parishioners being away on special trips and adventures.

Many of our parishioners had some really interesting events over Easter. We missed you, because you are family, but we were thrilled to know that you made the most of the opportunity. I remember when I was teaching that it would be a rare Easter that I was not taking a school trip somewhere, or at some major event or course.

For those who missed out on our Good Friday 10am service, I do recommend that you take time to listen to Joel Dash's testimony of his healing last year. It is on our web page under Church Life and sermons. It is only 5 minutes. Worth it!

If you wish to see the dance that Jordy Houghton performed and choreographed herself, chat to Lisa who has it on her iPad.

I am most grateful to all those who made a special effort to ease my load over that weekend. Some helped with meals, and I was so grateful to Rev'd David Hastings who

preached at three of the weekend services. There were also those who were on various roles on the roster, as the number of regulars away was very significant.

You are probably wondering how Marge is getting on, and her Mom. Her Mom, Bernece, is recovering from the effects of the urinary tract infection (UTI) and is having some good lucid moments. However, signs of the dementia onset is also clear, and so there are long periods of confusion also.

In her lucid moments Bernece sends her love and greetings to all who remember her when she came with Marge's Dad to our wedding 10 years ago.

The main challenge for Marge is helping her Mom get to the stage of being able to move into a supervised living condition (like Granger House at present). This is quite an emotional process for both of them. Thankfully all the family are in agreement and helping where they can.

When Marge left to go to the States, she felt that her Mom might die while she was there. That is not so likely now, as her Mom is starting to eat, drink and take pills—although all of which is still rather spasmodic. How long Marge will be in Texas is not clear, but certainly until her Mom is well settled in a Rest Home.

**We had a Dixon House Board meeting this week, and they are now licensed to have up to 20 hospital care residents. Very significant!!**

*Love and blessings, Robin*

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## 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 before the meeting.**

## DISCUSSION PAPER FOR AGM

Included with your newsletter today is a green paper outlining the discussion points for the AGM this Thursday. The AGM Report booklet is also available in the foyer, along with the Accounts for 2017 and Budget for 2018.

## SOULFOOD

Soulfood will have a special event this Thursday, the last week of Term 1. Contact Corraliegh for details 027 364 8524.

## FACEBOOK FOR ROBIN

Robin wants all of our faithful facebook followers to know that he does NOT use facebook. He has lost his password and can't find a way to unsubscribe.

## ANGLICAN CARE CONFERENCE

The Diocese will be running a 2 day conference in Nelson on 16 & 17 May. The theme is "Our Community - Our Response". Workshops will include topics such as: Youth, Elder Care, Messy Church, Men's Shed, Social Justice. Details are available on the noticeboard.

## JOHNSON'S HOME SUPPORT GROUP

This group will be meeting at 7.30pm this Monday 9 April at Tricia and David's.

## FREE CHRISTIAN MUSIC CONCERT

On **Wednesday 25 April (ANZAC DAY) at 6.30pm** in the Trinity Hall there will be a free concert given by the band "Embassy". They are NZers now based in Nashville, Tennessee. They are touring to promote Wycliff Bible translators and their campaign to see Scripture in every language by 2025.

The group have a real quality in their production that will suit a wide range of people, especially teenagers we believe.

A download of one of their songs can be found at

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/n9sqo63bvpslk9o/Embassy%20-%20One.mp3?dl=0>

Also, there is a sample of their 2016 Embassy Album at

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0jc2e8y2f2keb6l/AADft6gc35YDMO1X56moaPqFa?dl=0>

While the music is by young people and high energy, it is for all ages. A number of the Ministers' Association have listened to some of the songs and believe it is a really worthwhile evening entertainment. The Association and its members are sponsoring the event, as they believe it is great to have an international band come and play Christian music that is of top quality.

There will be an opportunity to give an offering towards to band and costs at the show.

## ALPHA COURSE

This popular course will start for this year on Wednesday 2 May at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. The first meeting is an introduction so that folk can see if they wish to continue or not.

We start with a very up to date film presentation of about 30 minutes or less. Then we have a delicious dessert and a discussion in small groups where you can ask any question, or disagree with what you have heard.

The course covers the main teachings of the Christian Faith, and is for 10 weeks on the Wednesday night.

If you have never done an Alpha Course, Robin recommends it. It is great for those exploring the faith, and those who have worshipped for many years.

**We have some green information sheets about this Alpha Course that you can give to any of your friends whom you wish to invite. They are in the foyer.**