

Monday 23 Jul	<i>Clergy day off Parish Office closed</i>	
	1pm	OSL in Parish Centre
	7pm	Trevor's Home group at 58 Turumaha St
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Lister's Home Group at 5 Ida St</b>
Tuesday 24 Jul		
	9.15am	Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St
	10am	Dixon House Devotions (Pat Cogger)
	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Ladies Afternoon Fellowship Group in Parish Centre</b>
	6.30pm	Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place
	7pm	Samara's Home Group at 97 Marsden Rd
	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Hawes' Home Group at 17 Westvale Drive</b>
	<b>No!</b>	Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St ( <u>resumes next week</u> )
Wednesday 25 Jul		
	9am	Bible in Schools at Grey Main School
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Dixon House Communion Service (Tim)</b>
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Alpha at 35 Karoro Place</b>
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel Service (Marge)</b>
	<b>11:15am!!</b>	<b>Wednesday Women—lunch at the Bonzai</b>
	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Cobden-Runanga AAW meeting at Cobden Anglican Church</b>
	<b>7.15pm</b>	<b>Lavers' Home Group at 18c Serpentine Rd</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Alpha in Parish Centre</b>
Thursday 26 Jul		
	9am	Bible in Schools at Paroa
	5:45pm	Music practice
	5.45pm	SoulFood at 35 Karoro Place
Friday 27 Jul		
		<i>Robin in Westport</i>
	10-11.30am	Kids n Coffee at the <u>Uniting Church</u>
	7pm	The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd
Saturday 28 Jul		
		<i>Robin in Westport</i>
Sunday 29 Jul		
		<i>Robin in Westport</i>
	1.30pm	Walking group meet at church to car pool

**Services Next Weekend 28 & 29 July 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 Lounge (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

**KUMARA NO SERVICE**

**MOWING**



Jim Findlay



## Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara

### 21 & 22 July 2018

Blessed to be a Blessing  
Growing Disciples of Jesus

**Theme for this weekend:** Major Truths from Minor Prophets - Nahum: God is Just

**Readings for this weekend:** Nahum 1:1-8 (p.1185); Luke 7:46-49 (p.1323)

**Prayer for the Day: Living God, the refuge of all who believe in you, increase our faith and trust in your Son Jesus Christ, that in him we may live victoriously. Amen.**

Theme for next weekend: Hunger for Legacy

Readings for next weekend: Genesis 12:1-7; Matthew 8:5-12

**DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Cotrina Reynolds whose service was held at the Trinity Centre last Wednesday. Please hold Cotrina's family in your prayers at this time.

This was our first funeral in the Trinity Centre and the facilities worked well. Even though our seating capacity is dramatically reduced until the earthquake strengthening is complete, everyone who attended was able to have a seat.

**LADIES AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP**

We will meet this Tuesday at 2pm at the Parish Centre for fellowship, a cuppa and a fun activity.

**THANK YOU FROM BISHOP RICHARD**

Great news!! +Richard's surgery went well on Wednesday and he is on the ward recovering. Date for his discharge is not yet known. Marge received a message from him before surgery thanking all of the parish for our loving prayers. Please continue to pray for him and Hilary.

**COBDEN-RUNANGA AAW**

Holy Trinity ladies are warmly invited to attend this month's meeting of the Cobden-Runanga AAW this Wednesday 25th July at 2pm at the Cobden Anglican Church.

Last Week: Attendance: 144 Offertory: \$ 3,311 (Total needed: \$3,200)  
 Total Earthquake funds received up to end of June 2018: \$200,628  
**Earthquake funds remaining after expenses so far: \$94,025**  
 Earthquake donations received in June 2018: \$3,669  
 Note: Earthquake Funds received in July will be reported by mid August



## Marge Writes

The Nelson Diocesan Synod is scheduled to convene on 9-11 Aug at All Saints, Nelson and motions have now been distributed to Synod

members.

Not surprisingly, several motions are in response to the passing of General Synod Motion 7 (formerly Motion 29) back in May.

Motion 15 asks that we as a Diocese affiliate ourselves with AFFIRM (Anglicans for Faith Intercession Renewal and Mission). You may recall that in our Motion 29 discussions last May that it was proposed that parishes could link themselves with particular communities according to their theological ilk that could be especially helpful at the time of searching for a new vicar. AFFIRM upholds the orthodox beliefs of the Anglican Church.

Motion 14 proposes that the Nelson Diocese formally declares that it considers the change to our canons to allow bishops to authorize services for the blessings of couples in a same sex marriages or civil unions and their use by individual clergy to be inconsistent with Anglican doctrine. Furthermore, the motion proposes a new declaration of adherence and submission to the church for the likes of clergy and vestry members to sign.

Motion 17 asks that the Nelson Diocese begin the process to disaffiliate itself from the Province (i.e. leave the Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia).

I think that it is safe to say that this year's

synod will not be boring!! If anyone is interested in looking at the motions in their entirety, a copy is available for viewing/copying at the Parish Centre. They may also become available on the diocesan website, but at the time of this writing they were not yet posted. I am happy to try and answer questions you may have.

Do, please, begin praying for our Synod. These are weighty matters and need the wisdom of the Holy Spirit.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

### HOW'S IT GOING?

When peace and prosperity are in great measure, how easy it is to slip into complacency with regards to our relationship with the Lord and to become insensitive to the plights of those less fortunate than us.

Our look at the message of the prophet Amos last weekend to the people of Israel challenged us to examine our attitudes and actions. Do we treat everyone fairly? Do we tend to make decisions that primarily look out for our interests above the interests of others? Are we tempted to revel in our comfort and forget the needs of others? What idols exist in our lives (i.e. what has higher priority in our lives than the Lord?)

Unfortunately, the people of Israel did not repent even though God pleaded again and again with them to "Seek, Me and live...Return to me and live." In the end they were taken into exile by the Assyrians.

May we be open to the Lord's correction.

So, how's it going?

### PICKING THINGS UP FROM CHURCH

The hall, kitchen, lounge, choir room and music room are accessible from 7.30am to 5pm during the week, 9am to 7pm on Saturdays, and 7:30am to 3:30pm on Sundays. Contact Marge if you need access outside these times.

**Enter via the HALL DOOR and go through to the kitchen and choir room and music room via the back porch linking the hall and kitchen. THE CHURCH ITSELF IS OFF LIMITS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE AND THE PASSAGEWAY FROM LOUNGE TO KITCHEN WILL SOMETIMES BE CLOSED DUE TO STRENGTHENING WORK.**

Copies of the newsletter can be collected from the table inside the hall door at any time the hall is unlocked.

### PRAYER CALENDARS

The new 2018/2019 Diocesan Prayer Calendars are available at the back of the hall. Please help yourself to a copy.

### ALPHA COURSES WITH ROBIN

The courses on Wednesday mornings and evenings are still continuing for another two weeks.

25 July: Does God heal today?

1 August: What about the Church?

### THE WORD FOR TODAY

The new edition of Word for Today (Aug, Sept, Oct) is available on the table by the entrance. Please help yourself. If you would like to assist with the cost, feel free to slip a gold coin donation into the offering bag.

### JUICY LEMONS

The lemon tree behind the Parish Centre has a large crop of sweet juicy lemons. Parishioners are welcome to come and pick your own.

### WORK DONE ON STRENGTHENING THIS PAST WEEK

- Scaffolding continued to be extended into the church.
- Concrete has been poured into a bit more than half of the cavities that were cut out under windows.
- The micro piles have been installed to a depth of about 12 meters to support the buttresses.
- Gib and plastering work on the ceiling of the mezzanine floor is complete.
- Sensor lighting has been installed in the soffit outside the lounge.

### LIKELY AREAS OF STRENGTHENING WORK THIS COMING WEEK

- Completion of scaffolding
- Continuation of the work around the windows.
- Painting of mezzanine ceiling
- Digging up of a portion of the back car park in preparation for the installation of the reinforced concrete pad that will link the piles to the buttresses in due course.

### ROBIN'S ITENERARY

Robin is now part-time interim Priest-in-Charge of the Buller Parish. This will continue until a new vicar is inducted for Buller. It is expected that the interregnum will last for the remainder of the year. Robin will split his time each week between Buller and Greymouth. Check the back calendar page of the newsletter each week to see which days he is in which parish.

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