

Monday 30 Jul		<i>Clergy day off Parish Office closed</i>
	1pm	OSL in Parish Centre
	7pm	Trevor's Home group at 58 Turumaha St
Tuesday 31 Jul		<i>Robin in Greymouth</i>
	9.15am	Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St
	10am	Dixon House Devotions (Barry Smithson)
	<b>11:30am!!</b>	<b>Joyce's Study Group SHARED LUNCH at Parish Centre</b>
	<b>NO!!</b>	<b>Parish Prayer Meeting</b>
	<b>NO!!</b>	<b>Pastoral Care</b>
	7pm	Samara's Home Group at 97 Marsden Rd
	7.30pm	Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St
Wednesday 1 Aug		<i>Robin in Greymouth</i>
	9am	Bible in Schools at Grey Main School
	10am	Wednesday Women in Parish Centre
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Alpha at 35 Karoro Place (final)</b>
	<b>10-11.30am</b>	<b>Parish Health Advisor in Quiet Room</b>
	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Dixon House Trust Board lunch in Parish Centre</b>
Thursday 2 Aug		<i>Robin in Greymouth</i>
	9am	Bible in Schools at Paroa
	5:30pm	Music practice
	5.45pm	SoulFood at 35 Karoro Place
Friday 3 Aug		<i>Robin in Greymouth</i>
	10-11.30am	Kids n Coffee at the Uniting Church
	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Menz at Monteiths (and Ladies)</b>
	7pm	The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd
Saturday 4 Aug		<i>Robin in Greymouth</i>
Sunday 5 Aug		<i>Robin in Greymouth</i>
	1.30pm	Walking group meet at church to car pool

**Services Next Weekend 4 & 5 August 2018**

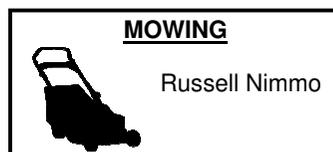
**SATURDAY:**

**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 10am Morning Worship**





## Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara

### 28 & 29 July 2018

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

**Theme for this weekend:** Hunger for Legacy

**Readings for this weekend:** Genesis 12:1-7 (p.13); Matthew 8:5-12 (p.1231)

**Prayer for the Day:** **May the Holy Spirit encourage us to hunger for the legacy you have put in each and everyone of us Lord. May we be challenged to seek you out and obey with faith, all you reveal to us. Amen.**

Theme for next weekend: Major Truths from Minor Prophets—  
Living Faithfully in a Broken Church

Readings for next weekend: Amos 9:8-10; Matthew 13:24-30

**UPDATE ON BISHOP RICHARD**

Bishop Richard is expected to be back home in Nelson by the weekend. Do continue to hold him and Hilary in your prayers that he gives his body every chance to heal and that his recovery will be complete. He will be working on his address for Synod, but he has put plans in place for others to chair debates so that he can rest as much as possible.

**NELSON SYNOD**

Please hold the Nelson Synod in your prayers as it convenes August 9-11 at All Saints, Nelson. Please pick up last week's newsletter for a brief description of some of the motions to be considered. The sermon next weekend will touch on some of the issues at stake in light of what we've been learning in our study of the minor prophets.

**JOYCE'S STUDY GROUP**

Joyce's study group will meet in the Parish Centre at **11:30AM this Tuesday for a Shared Lunch.**

**PARISH HEALTH ADVISOR**

Marjorie will hold her monthly clinic this **Wednesday 1 August 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.

**MENZ AT MONTEITHS (& LADIES)**

This **Friday at 5.30pm** the Men will meet for their monthly social gathering at Monteiths. Ladies same time, different table! All welcome. This is an excellent opportunity to meet people from other congregations and to invite friends to just hang out and meet other people (who happen to be Christians).

Last Week: Attendance: 102 Offertory: \$ 4,131 (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

This week has been a particularly dusty week in the earthquake strengthening work. I really appreciate the efforts that the CYB crew made to clean up in the Lounge on Friday afternoon in preparation for our weekend use of it during and after services. However, there was still quite a bit of mess that needed sorting and so my sincere thanks to Rochelle Dash for coming in on Saturday and giving me a hand.

My thanks as well to Dave Lankshear who each week works to get the porch area as clean as possible in time for each weekend's services.

It is such a blessing that we have been able to continue worshipping in our facility while all of this work is going on. A special thank you to Craig Bruce and the OASIS team and children for limiting their programme to the Lounge after being so used to the large space in the Hall for their games and music.

My thanks to Pete White for preaching this weekend to give me a break as it has allowed me to focus on some important Health & Safety matters.

Finally, thank you for your prayers and support during this time of Robin serving part-time in the Buller parish. The first week I thought, "I'm never going to survive 6 months" but last week and this have been totally different. Now if it would just get a little warmer! :-)

With love and blessings, *Marge*

## HOW'S IT GOING?

The tiny book of Nahum reminds us that the Lord is God over all the nations and that He is just and will punish evil and reward righteousness.

Nahum was a prophet that the Lord used to speak a message of doom to the city of Nineveh, the capitol of ancient Assyria. This was not the first time that such a message was proclaimed. 100-150yrs prior, God sent Jonah to speak a similar message. But the preaching of Jonah caused the people of Nineveh to repent and God withdrew his hand of punishment. However, the Assyrians returned to their sinful and cruel ways and through Nahum God declared that swift and complete destruction would befall the city and so it did in 612 B.C.

What we learn from Nahum is that God is not blind to sin and, although He is slow to anger (Nahum 1:3), there comes a time when He declares enough is enough. And when He does, look out!

But Nahum also shows us that the Lord knows those that trust in Him and to them He is a strong refuge in times of trouble (Nahum 1:7).

It is easy to look around at the evil in the world and wonder if God will ever sort it or if it is even worth living according to God's ways. Nahum reminds us that indeed He will and it is. When we start to have our doubts, a good thing to read is Psalm 73 to regain perspective. It also helps me to remember that when I get frustrated with God's delay in dealing with evil, that He is also being patient with me. So, how's it going?

## HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE

Buller Anglican Parish are hosting their annual Holy Spirit Conference in Westport on 7-9 September. The speaker this year is Graham Renouf who is an international revivalist from Lower Hutt. Registration forms are available at the back of the hall. The cost is \$25, and registrations must be in by 31 August.

## 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.

## WORK DONE ON STRENGTHENING THIS PAST WEEK

- Scaffolding continued to be extended into the church.
- Concrete has been poured into the remaining cavities under the windows that were previously only supported by brick. This part of the strengthening is now complete except for the cosmetic work.
- The ceiling has started to be opened up around the portals in preparation for the steel strengthening plates to be installed

to strengthen the connection between purlins and steel portals. The engineer has given approval for these to be bolted rather than welded.

- Painting.

## LIKELY AREAS OF STRENGTHENING WORK THIS COMING WEEK

- Painting.
- 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.
- Beginning to attach the steel strengthening plates to purlins and portals.

## JUCY 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.

## THE WORD FOR TODAY

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

## ROBIN'S SCHEDULE

Robin will be in Greymouth all of next week and three days of the following week. This will allow him to stay connected with the weekend congregations in Greymouth. The plan is for him to be in Greymouth one weekend each month.

**Parish Website:** [www.greymouthanglican.co.nz](http://www.greymouthanglican.co.nz)

**Parish email:** [office@greymouthanglican.co.nz](mailto:office@greymouthanglican.co.nz)

**Parish Postal Address :** PO Box 27 Greymouth 7840 **Phone:** 03 768 7508

**Vicar:** Revd Marge Tefft, 201 Tainui St, Greymouth, **Ph: 03 768 7508**  
**mobile: 021 0233 2189, email: [margetefft@xtra.co.nz](mailto:margetefft@xtra.co.nz)**

**Asst Priest:** Archdeacon Robin Kingston, 201 Tainui St, Greymouth, **Ph: 03 768 7508**  
**mobile: 021 0228 7926, email: [robin@greymouthanglican.co.nz](mailto:robin@greymouthanglican.co.nz)**

**Parish Administrator:** Nicky Hawes (Tues-Fri: 10am to 2pm)  
Parish Office, 201 Tainui St, Greymouth

**Ph/Fax: 03 768 7508 email: [office@greymouthanglican.co.nz](mailto:office@greymouthanglican.co.nz)**

**Vicar's Warden:** Peter Wetherall 768 6714, **People's Warden:** Diana Fensom 768 4942

**Parish Health Advisor:** Marjorie Newcombe, Ph/Fax 03 768 7299

**Kumara Verger:** Joe Payn 736 9960, **Sharing Shed:** Nancy Holman 768 7704

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