

Monday 22 Oct	1pm	<i>Labour Day</i> Parish Office closed OSL in Parish Centre
Tuesday 23 Oct	9.15am 10am 2pm 3pm 7pm 7pm 7.30pm	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St Dixon House Devotions (David Hastings) <b>AAW Fellowship Group in Parish Centre</b> <b>Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall</b> <b>Young Adults at 35 Karoro Place (note new start time)</b> <b>Hawes' Home Group at 144 Main South Road</b> Samara's Home Group in Parish Centre Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St
Wednesday 24 Oct	10am 3pm 7.15pm	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> Wednesday Women in Parish Centre <b>Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall</b> <b>Lavers' Home Group at 18c Serpentine Rd</b>
Thursday 25 Oct	9am 3pm 5.30pm 5.45pm	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> Bible in Schools at Paroa <b>Crossroads Dance in trinity Hall</b> Music Practice in Hall <b>SoulFood at 35 Karoro Place</b>
Friday 26 Oct	10-11.30am 7pm	<i>Robin in Westport</i> Kids n Coffee at the <u>Uniting Church</u> The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd
Saturday 27 Oct		<i>Robin in Westport</i>
Sunday 28 Oct	<b>NO!!</b>	<i>Robin in Westport</i> <b>No Walking group today!!</b>

**Services Next Weekend: 27 & 28 October 2018**

**SATURDAY:**

6pm **Communion** (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)

**SUNDAY :**

8am **Holy Communion** (Quiet & reflective, no music. Finishes by 8.50am)

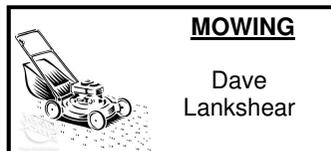
9.55am **OASIS in Trinity Lounge**

10am **Family Communion** (Songs and hymns)

2pm **Worship**

6.30pm **The Way Youth Service at The Shed**  
186 Main South Rd

**KUMARA** No service





## Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara 20 & 21 October 2018

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

**Theme for this weekend: Being Closer Together**

**Readings for this weekend:**

Acts 17:22-28 (p.1433); John 1:10-15 (p.1362) and John 8:21-23 (p.1377)

**Prayer for the Day: Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. May we seek after and know your closeness and intimacy with us, as You have made your home with us. And at the same time, may we be in awe of your majesty and holiness, for You are from above and greater than everything. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Theme for next weekend: Major Truths from Minor Prophets:

Haggai—The Best is yet to Be

Readings for next weekend: Haggai 2:1-9; Matthew 28:16-20

**WORKING BEE LABOUR DAY**

If there are any folk around on Monday, 22 October, you could help in any of the following ways from 9am to 12.30pm—

- Moving pews (we have a trolley to help!)
- Returning chairs and brass to church
- Dusting, polishing
- Cleaning windows
- Providing cups of tea and refreshments for helpers
- Getting everything ready in the church for the first service on Saturday, 27 October.

**Please bring along window washing cleaner (with your name on bottle) and any spare newspapers. Also, if anyone has small ladders they could bring, please do so.**

**TRASH N TREASURE**

Yes, it is that time of year again!! Spring cleaning in time to bring all your no longer needed goods for the Parish Fair. Goods can be dropped off in the Parish Centre garage anytime until the day before the Fair.

**RAFFLE ROSTER**

The roster for the raffle table at New World before the Fair, is on the table at the back of the hall. If you can help out on Wednesday 7th or Thursday 8th November, please fill in your name and number in your preferred time slot. Thank you.

**AAW FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

All ladies are welcome to come to the Parish Centre at 2pm this Tuesday to listen to Carol Reedy talk about her recent Baltic Cruise. Afternoon tea will be served.

Last Week: Attendance: 118 Offertory: \$ 3,388 (Total needed: \$3,200)  
Total Earthquake funds donated up to end of September 2018: \$210,999  
Earthquake donations received in September 2018: \$3,032  
Note: Earthquake Funds received in October will be reported by mid November



## Marge Writes

The recent article in our local paper reported that the cost of our earthquake strengthening project was about \$350,000. I want to point out that Robin did not give that figure to the reporter on Friday, but was one that the reporter used from the estimate that had been given at the AGM and before work had begun. That figure was the estimate for the seismic strengthening work itself, redecoration, and some of the maintenance work. It did not include the engineering costs to assess our buildings, develop the drawings and supervise the project.

We are still awaiting three bills and one quote after which I will be able to provide you with an accurate breakdown of all our actual costs, income, and the amount that we will be owing to the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board.

While I am cautious about giving final figures at this time until all costs are known with certainty, I am quite confident that we will be borrowing less than \$150,000 (the AGM agreed we could borrow up to \$200,000).

For the blessing of our God and the generosity of parishioners of this parish and others from outside, we give thanks.

Last month Vestry decided to give the third portion of our tithe of the funds received for the earthquake strengthening to All Saints Church in Hokitika who are facing far higher expenses than we to strengthen their building. The vicar, Rev Vivien Harber, was

overwhelmed at the news that we would be sending them \$7500 towards their restoration work and sent her heartfelt thanks to the parish.

Blessed to be a blessing. It's part of our parish DNA. I am certain that our project is going so well because of our commitment to look beyond our own needs to the needs of others.

With love and blessing, *Marge*

### HOW'S IT GOING?

Pride is the most dangerous of sins as it blinds us to our need of others, the need for God, the need for a Saviour.

The small book of Obadiah makes it abundantly clear that God sets himself against the proud. For a brief and entertaining summary of Obadiah (or any book of the Bible for that matter) go to thebibleproject.com website and watch the cartoon video summary.

Some marks of pride to watch for are—

Assuming you already know something when someone is teaching, unwilling to ask for help, seeing yourself as too good to perform certain tasks, thinking of yourself as better than others, disregarding advice, consistently critical or harsh, constantly needing attention, unable to receive constructive criticism, defensiveness, ingratitude, unwilling to submit to authority, talking about yourself a lot.

It's when we compare or compete with others, that pride is waiting to pounce. May we become like Jesus who knew exactly who and what He was (the eternal Son of God), and yet humbled Himself as a servant.

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### FAIR HELPERS

There are a number of vacancies.

The provisional list is in the lounge for folk to check. Please add your name where you would like to help, cross it out if you are not available, or add a new idea that you would like to initiate. Queries to Robin. **FAIR DATE is SATURDAY, 10 NOVEMBER.**

### BOOK OF PARISH MEMORIES FOR SALE

Robin has been working on a book to cover the parish years from the 1990's to 2018 to be ready for our 150th +1 celebration. It will not cover the history that was done so well in the previous two books, but will seek to cover the highlights from the last 30 years or so. Vestry has set the price of the book at \$15 for pre-orders and \$20 after publication. It is expected to be available from the end of November. If interested in pre-ordering, please bring \$15 to Nicky at Parish Centre.

### 150 + 1 CELEBRATION

Remember to come and buy your tickets for the 150 + 1 celebration meal (December 9th at 12:30pm in the Trinity Centre). **Tickets are available from the Parish Office** on a first come, first served basis. There is limited seating at the meal, so don't miss out.

### GIFT FOR BISHOP RICHARD

Vestry agreed that the parish will give Bishop Richard and Hilary a monetary gift towards their retirement when they are with us in December. Anyone wishing to make a contribution may either drop it off at the Parish Centre or place it in the weekend offering bags clearly marked "For Bishop Richard."

### JOHNSON'S PRAYER REQUEST

Simon writes: Thank you for your ongoing prayer and support toward our return to Taiwan. Please continue to pray for our financial situation. **Please pray that we will be 100% financially supported by Oct 25.**

On this date the OMF Office in New Zealand will project our expected income for the following few months and on the basis of this projection make a decision as to **whether or not at this time they are able to grant us financial clearance.**

**Please continue to pray that interested individuals, churches and groups will**

**make their pledge known to OMF NZ by October 25th as the OMF NZ policy is that 100% finance must be gained before a return to the field (in our case Taiwan) will be granted.** Thank you very much for your ongoing prayers.

### CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

We need to reactivate our cleaning team at the beginning of November, once we have moved back into the church. Would all those on this roster please collect your named copies from the back of the hall. Thank you.

### ELECTING A NEW BISHOP

Some important dates -

**Sat 3 November** - Diocesan Day of Prayer

**Tues 6 November 7-9pm at Holy Trinity Church** - Prayerful Discernment led by Ven David Hollingsworth. This meeting will prayerfully discuss who God might be calling to be our next bishop and is open to all parishioners in our deanery.

**28 Feb - 2 Mar 2019** - Electoral College

### MANY THANKS

Thank you to those who have put their names forward to do the refreshments for the next Blood Donors drive. I have sufficient names to fill the roster for this next visit thank you. Margaret Baillie, Co-ordinator.

### CARPET DONATION

We are very grateful for the recent donation of \$10,000 towards the new church carpet. This brings the gifts toward the carpet to a total of \$23,000. Please note that these carpet donations are distinct from the Earthquake Strengthening funds raised (p.1).

### ALL SAINTS CHURCH FUNDRAISER

This Thursday, 25 Oct at the Regent Theatre HOKITIKA, A lecture by Dr. Dragos on "The Pursuit of Dreams" will be held. Doors open at 6:30pm \$10. All nurses in the audience will be acknowledged as All Saints are also launching an appeal to West Coast nurses to buy roof tiles (\$12 each) in memory of Mabel Jamieson and Helena Isdell—two West Coast nurses who died in WWI.

### TRUST POWER AWARD FOR THE SHED

Congratulations for the \$1000 given at the recent Trust Power Regional Awards.

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