

Monday 29 Oct	1pm	<i>Clergy in Chch at 3DM Course</i> OSL in Parish Centre	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
Tuesday 30 Oct	9.15am 10am 3-4.15pm 4.15-5.15pm 7pm 7.30pm	<i>Clergy in Chch at 3DM Course</i> Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St Dixon House Devotions (Barry Smithson) Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall Crossroads Dance in CHURCH Samara's Home Group in Parish Centre Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St	
Wednesday 31 Oct	10am 3-5.30pm	<i>Clergy in Chch at 3DM Course & Marge flies to USA</i> Wednesday Women in Parish Centre Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall	
Thursday 1 Nov	9am 3-6pm 5.30pm NO!!	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> Bible in Schools at Paroa Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall Music Practice in church Soul Food	
Friday 2 Nov	10-11.30am 5.30pm 7pm	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> Kids n Coffee at the Uniting Church Menz at Monteiths (and Ladies) The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd	
Saturday 3 Nov	8.15-9am	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> SPECIAL PRAYER MEETING IN CHAPEL FOR ELECTION OF NEW BISHOP	
Sunday 4 Nov	1.30pm	<i>Robin in Greymouth</i> Walking group meet at church to car pool	

Services Next Weekend: 3 & 4 November 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 Holy Communion

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

KUMARA 10am Morning Worship



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara

27 & 28 October 2018

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

**Theme for this weekend: Major Truths from Minor Prophets:
Haggai - The Best is Yet to Be**

**Readings for this weekend:
Haggai 2:1-9 (p.1198); Matthew 28:16-20 (p.1272)**

Prayer for the Day: Lord of the Church, as we enter a new chapter of this parish, help us shake off any apathy, selfishness or pride. Give us the courage to put your kingdom first as you fill us with your presence. And may your shalom fill this place, our homes, our work places, bringing wholeness to many. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Book of Judges Part 2: (Pete White preached Part 1 last month)

Readings for next weekend: Judges 2:11-17; John 8:1-11

PARISH FAIR
Saturday 10 November
only 2 weeks to go!

FAIR HELPERS

There are still a number of vacancies. The provisional list is in the foyer for folk to check. Please tick your name to confirm, 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.

**BAKING, LUNCH MEALS,
PRODUCE, PLANTS, & PRESERVES**

There are *only 2 weeks* until our Annual Parish Fair! So it is time to start thinking about the perishable products we sell which are so popular. If you are able to bake or make jams or pickles, or grow vegetables or plants, your contributions will be most

welcome. Please bring perishable goods along on Friday 9 November when we will be setting up for the Fair. If you have any ideas about something you'd like to contribute to the lunches on sale, please chat to Robin ASAP.

TRASH N TREASURE

Only 2 weeks left for 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 in the foyer. **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.

FLOWERS



Jeanette & Rose

CHURCH CLEANING



Danny Cattell
Dave Lankshear

CHURCH MOWING



Roger Lavers

Last Week: Attendance: 102 Offertory: \$ 2,779 (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

What a great morning we had on Labour Day as about 40 of us gathered for the big shift back into the church and a good spring clean. My

thanks to everyone who assisted in any way. My thanks, too, to the team who gathered on Wednesday evening to spiritually cleanse the church. The church looks and feels spectacular!

This is a good time to publically thank Megan Wilkins (Dot & Norm Wilkins' daughter-in-law) for her generous donation of time and expertise with assisting us with the selection of paint colours and carpet.

We still have a few things to finish off. Our organ builder/tuner was delayed with work on the North Island so the organ will hopefully be reassembled either this week or next. The hot mix is still to be poured around the buttresses in the car park and we are waiting for spot lights for the sanctuary area to arrive. We are also having a good think about how we use the wall space in the church and how we might make the cross more distinct.

Following on from Samara's sermon last week we placed the pews in such a way as to bring people a bit closer to the front. My apologies for the use of masking tape to rope off some of the pews on the sound desk side. I am in the process of sourcing some decorative soft braided cord. The current pew arrangement can easily be altered when more seating is required.

Of course, the biggest thing yet to finish is the paying off of the project. I am so appreciative that after launching our fundraising campaign in May 2014, I have never had to address the topic except to keep you informed of where we stood. What a faithful and generous parish this is! As I wrote last week we expect to owe less than \$150,000 once all of the final bills are in. Thank you in advance for continuing to give until this debt is cleared.

I fly to USA on Wednesday to help sort out my mom's estate. I will join you in prayer from Texas on your Nov 3rd and Nov 6th as we pray for discernment as to who God is calling to be our next bishop. I'm so sorry I will miss the fair. My thanks to Robin who was able to arrange to be in Greymouth for two solid weeks and will take the next two weekends of services and to David Hastings who will cover the third while I'm away. I return on Nov 21st with no more travel for at least 6 months.

With love and blessings,

Marge

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.

CHILDREN'S PLASTIC TABLES & CHAIRS

Kids n Coffee has plastic kiddies tables and chairs for sale. See Christina Bushby, Pauline Mallinson, Robin or Nicky if interested. Donation to Kids n Coffee.

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WORD FOR TODAY

New copies of this devotional booklet are available in the foyer. Please help yourself. A gold coin in the offerings bag would be appreciated to help cover costs. If you are regularly getting your copy of the Word for Today from here, please consider filling in the form in the middle of the booklet and sending it away so that you receive your own copy to your doorstep regularly.

LADIES GUILD

Our November meeting will be on Tuesday 6th at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. This is our **Annual General Meeting** so a good attendance is required. We will follow this meeting with some time decorating "Sweet Jars" for the fair.

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.

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."

DAY OF PRAYER FOR NEW BISHOP

Our Nelson Diocese has declared a diocesan wide **day of prayer on Saturday 3rd November** ahead of two weeks of deanery prayer discernment meetings to consider names of possible candidates for the next Bishop of Nelson.

Each parish has been allocated a time to pray through the day, so that together, the entire day is covered. **A prayer meeting will be held on 3rd Nov in the Holy Trinity**

CHAPEL from 8.15-9am. All are welcome. If you cannot attend in person, please remember to pray, wherever you are.

DISCERNING NAMES FOR NEW BISHOP

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.

HOW'S IT GOING?

This is a time of celebration and excitement!! We have moved back into the church, the earthquake strengthening job has been well done, and a project years in the making is almost completed.

There has been a buzz in and around our services in the hall over the last few months. Many of us have sensed a 'warm, closer together' atmosphere. A physical warmth, but also a spiritual warmth through the Holy Spirit. Our challenge over the weeks to come, is to hold onto that sense of warmth and togetherness. To come expecting God to meet us. To come expecting the Holy Spirit to move through us.

God is immanent – He is near, close at hand, and among us. We can approach Him, anytime, anywhere. In His immanence, God is described as the bridegroom, father, shepherd, husband (these terms describe someone who is near and dear to us).

But God is also transcendent – He is infinite, other than us, exalted above all creation. In His transcendence, God is described as the creator, judge, king, warrior, master (terms to describe one set apart, who has authority).

It's important to remember that God is both immanent and transcendent. He is near yet far; majestic yet approachable.

As we move back into the church, let's hold onto the togetherness and warmth that we experienced in the hall, and also come expecting the awesomeness of God, through the Holy Spirit, to continue to move among us.

So, how's it going?

Prayer Requests to: Ngaire Fisher 768 6505