

Monday
18 Feb *Clergy day off Parish Office closed*
1pm OSL in Parish Centre
1-3pm Elder CARE Afternoon Tea in Trinity lounge
3.30pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall
7.30pm Tricia & David's Home Group at 359 Main South Rd

Tuesday
19 Feb 9.15am Guild of St Raphael at 27 Shakespeare St
10am Dixon House Devotions (Pat Cogger)
10.30am Tuesday Friends In Parish Centre
12 noon Prayer meeting in Parish Centre
12.45pm Pastoral Care meeting in Parish Centre
3.30pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall
6.30pm 3DM at 35 Karoro Place
7pm Samara's Home Group at 97 Marsden Rd
7.30pm Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St

Wednesday
20 Feb 3.30pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall

Thursday
21 Feb **12.30pm Minister's Association at Uniting Church**
3.30pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall
5.30pm Music Practice in Church
5.45pm Soulfood at 35 Karoro Place
7pm Vestry meeting in Parish Centre

Friday
22 Feb 10-11.30am Kids n Coffee in Trinity Centre
3pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall
7pm The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd

Saturday
23 Feb

Sunday
24 Feb 1.30pm Social Walking Group meet at church to car pool
for a walk at Taramakau River

Services Next Weekend: 23 & 24 February 2019

SATURDAY:

6pm Communion (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)

SUNDAY :

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

9.55am Oasis (7-11yr olds) & Sunday School (4-7yr olds) in Trinity Hall

10am Family Communion (Songs and hymns) **and Admission to HC.**

2pm Holy Communion

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

KUMARA

10am No service



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
16 & 17 February 2019
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: Why do so many people in the world hate Christians?

Readings for this weekend:

Psalm 44: 14-26 (p.725); Matthew 10:16-22 (p.1235)

Prayer for the Day: Lord God, thank you for warning us about the way people will hate us. However, please inspire us by your Holy Spirit to speak gently, politely, lovingly and with understanding to those who oppose us, so that we do not aggravate the situation. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Shaped Through our Journey

Readings for next weekend: Ephesians 5:1-2; John 13:12-15

LEADERS AND HELPERS NEEDED AT THE SHED

As we begin the year we are looking for and praying for new leaders and helpers to join the team. Maybe God has put The Shed on your heart this year, or you've thought about checking it out to see if you can help. We are looking for those who have a heart for God and for our young people, can cope with noise and have a good sense of fun. Or you might feel a call to support the programme by helping out with security or just helping on the night. I want to say here that age isn't a limitation for being a leader, young people need leaders of all ages and many young people don't have grandparents close to them. So if this fits for you definitely make contact with us and come along one night to check out what we do. If you feel you want to go further and we feel it's going to fit, we then begin the

application process, which involves an application form, chatting with us and police checks.

Contact Nicki 768 9605 or email nickimora@xtra.co.nz

Please also continue to pray that God would call those who are meant to be part of the team and that they would answer that call.

NELSON FIRES

We are so proud of folk linked with our parish who have been helping with the fire situation in the Nelson region. Andrew Dodd has been one of the fire fighters for the last 10 days, Jonathan Goodall was with the Red Cross team for a week, and one of our former OASIS kids, now living in Nelson area and a firefighter, Janelle van der Westhuizen, also helped out last weekend. Please continue to pray for the situation.

FLOWERS
 Jane

CHURCH CLEANING
Janine Boote & Judy Boland


CHURCH MOWING
Dave Lankshear


Last Weekend: Attendance: 145 Offertory: \$3,697 (Total needed: \$3,200)
Total Earthquake funds donated up to end of January 2019: \$225,275
Earthquake donations received in January 2019: \$4,312
Note: Earthquake Funds received in February will be reported by mid March



Marge Writes

This past week has seen Robin and me adjust to a new normal.

Last Saturday Robin woke up to a weakness in his right hand. His strength improved as the day progressed, but writing, typing etc were quite laborious. The diagnosis is that he had suffered a TIA (mini-stroke). He is now on appropriate medication. The good news is that he has regained about 95% dexterity in his hand. We give thanks for the quickness and thoroughness of the medical personnel here in Greymouth and God's design of the human body to heal. Robin is a little frustrated that he is not allowed to drive again until March 10th!

The day before the TIA we also received news that Robin has a condition that could have serious implications. Unfortunately, we have to wait for a number of tests and consultations with specialists before we will know exactly where things are and what we are looking at as regards prognosis and treatment. This will take some weeks (maybe months). We ask for your prayers both for healing and peace in this time of uncertainty.

I woke on Wednesday morning with these words—"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil 4:6-7)

With love and blessings, *Marge (& Robin)*

HOW'S IT GOING?

God's original design for humanity always included work—productive and fulfilling activity. We are designed for work because we are made in the image of God and since he is at work in the world, so we are to be in partnership with him at work in the world.

We usually think of work as being what we do to earn wages, but work is actually any productive activity. So, raising a family, being involved with grandchildren and volunteering at the church and in the wider community are also examples of work. This means, of course, that in God's Kingdom there is no such thing as retirement. We may stop a particular activity that earned us a wage, but we are still called to remain productive in this world. Prayer, for example, is a highly valued activity in God's Kingdom.

Even throughout eternity we will be active with meaningful work. The joy of work in the next life is that it will not be taxing or unfulfilling as it sometimes is now because we currently live in a broken world.

We so easily divide our lives into secular and spiritual, but for Christians there should be no such divide. Our work in business, education, the home, government, health, etc should simply be the place God has assigned us to shine with his light and love. The fact that Jesus worked as a carpenter shows God's approval for all honest work.

In our work, however, we must be cautious to not overly commit ourselves, turn into workaholics or fail to take our Sabbath rest.

So, how's it going in your work?

FELLOWSHIP GROUP

We meet on **Tuesday 26th at 2pm in the Trinity Lounge** for our first meeting of 2019. We will have a communion service and then our topic will be "Memories". Pat & Margaret will arrange afternoon tea.

HELPERS NEEDED FOR EASTERCAMP FUNDRAISER

We are raising funds for kids to go to Easter Camp and for a bus to take them. We have been given the opportunity to pack in carpet and lay it down for Art in the Park and to pack it down again at the end. We need some strong helpers to bring the carpet in, the kids will help to lay it and then in reverse we will need helpers to take the carpet out. Help is needed on Fri the 1st of March from 3.15pm and then on Sun 3rd March from 4pm. We appreciate all the help we can get for either one or both days. Contact Nicki 768 9605 or email Nicki at nickimora@xtra.co.nz if you can help or want more details.

PRAYER LEAFLET ROSTER

Would those who are on the prayer leaflet roster please collect your named copy of the 2019 roster from the table in foyer.

MISSIONARY FAMILY IN CENTRAL ASIA

They have asked for prayer for them as family as they come to terms with their older children graduating high school and leaving home for far away areas of the world. They don't know when they will all be together again as a whole family.

They also ask for prayer for local pastors they work with who are being persecuted in their villages, and for wisdom in how best to help them. Their newsletter can be viewed in the Parish Office.

DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONAL

The next 3 month edition of the Daily Bread devotional booklet is available in the foyer. Please help yourself. A gold coin in the offering bag to help cover costs would be appreciated.

RING FOUND

A small ring has been found in the church and turned in to the office. If you have lost one, please chat to Marge or Nicky Hawes.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This is an opportunity for Christian women throughout the world to pray on the same day around a particular theme. Each year women from a different country organise reflections, songs and prayers around a selected bible passage and information about their country. This year the material has been provided by Christian women of Slovenia. An offering is also taken to help with aid work throughout the world.

Here in Greymouth we will be meeting on **Friday 1st March at 2pm at the Uniting Church**. Please note the change of time from evening to afternoon to make it easier for some to attend. A cuppa and biscuit will follow.

Over the last couple of years it has become more and more difficult to organise the Greymouth gathering because of dwindling numbers and busy schedules. Therefore, this year we are exploring having one church take full responsibility for the whole event. If it works well, then a different church (or cluster of churches) will be fully responsible for next year etc.

While technically the day is organised by women for women, here in Greymouth, ALL are welcome.

JOHNSON FAMILY

Simon and Helen and family are now settling back into life in Taiwan. They are very grateful for their new apartment, the children's school, and the growth and development in the local church. Their newsletter can be read on the missions notice board. Please keep them in your prayers.

VESTRY AGENDA—THURS 7PM

Topics will include—

- ACCT Accountability Reports
- Final sum on EQ strengthening costs
- Financial state at end of 2018
- 2019 Budget
- Green Waste Removal
- Results from Health and Safety walk around
- Discernment process for Rose
- Repairs & Maintenance needs

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