

Monday		<i>Clergy day off</i>	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
18 Mar	1pm	OSL in Parish Centre	
	3.30pm	Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall	
	7.30pm	Tricia & David's Home group at 359 Main South Rd	
Tuesday			
19 Mar	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 Mar	3.30pm	Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall	
	7.30pm	Taize Service at St Patrick's Church	
Thursday			
21 Mar	12.30pm	Ministers' Association (at St. Patrick's Church)	
	3.30pm	Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall	
	5.30pm	Music Practice in Church	
	6.45pm	Soulfood at 35 Karoro Place	
	7pm	Vestry meeting in Parish Centre	
Friday			
22 Mar	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 Mar			
Sunday			
24 Mar	1.30pm	Social Walking Group meet at church to car pool	

Services Next Weekend: 23 & 24 March 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)

2pm Afternoon Worship

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

KUMARA No service



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara

16 & 17 March 2019

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

Theme for this weekend: How do we respond to hatred.

Readings for this weekend: Ezekiel 36:26-27; Luke 6:27-36

Prayer for the Day: God of love, as we encounter evil in this broken world, help us not to harden our hearts, but to be filled with your compassion; help us not to face evil with another form of evil, but overcome evil with good. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Good Soil and Good Seeds Make Good Fruit

Readings for next weekend: Galatians 6:7-10 (p.1514); Luke 8:4-15 (p.1323)

NEW BISHOP ELECT OF NELSON

A secret no longer!! Revd Stephen Maina Mwangi (known as Steve Maina—pronounced “Myna”) is the Bishop Elect of the Nelson Diocese.

Steve has been the director of the New Zealand Church Missionary Society (NZCMS) for the past ten years. Under his leadership, NZCMS has been revitalized. Prior to coming to lead NZCMS he served as a priest in the Anglican Church of Kenya.

Steve is a passionate follower of Jesus, holds to the Authority of Scripture, and the power of the Gospel to transform lives. He likes to think outside the square.

Steve is married to Watiri and they have two daughters, Rinna and Tanielle.

A fuller biography and a letter from the Archbishops is on the foyer notice board.

YOUTH GRANT

We give thanks for the news this week that Lottery has granted us \$20,000 towards our Youth Worker's salary. We are so grateful for the support that recognizes the value to the wider community of The SHED and the work done by Nicki Mora.

60TH ANNIVERSARY

March 14th was the 60th wedding anniversary of Ron and Betty Boot—the first couple married at the present Holy Trinity Church.. They were married by Canon Keith Aubrey just six days after the church was dedicated. Ron & Betty are back in Greymouth this weekend to celebrate their anniversary and attend the Saturday 6pm service with members of their family. Laurie Boot, a faithful member of the Saturday 6pm congregation, is Ron's brother.

Last Weekend: Attendance: 138 Offertory: \$3,606 (Total needed: \$3,200)
 Earthquake donations received in February 2019 (less tithe): \$4,096

In addition, the \$33,819 of the \$100,000 Lottery Facilities grant we returned because of how we understood the restrictions on use of the funds, were given back to us to be applied to the cost of strengthening the shared wall between the church and lounge.

Approximate amount owing on Earthquake Strengthening loan: \$36,000
 EQ Donations received in March, and updated loan balance will be reported by mid April

FLOWERS



Carol Reedy

CHURCH CLEANING

Tricia Hird
Val Bowater



CHURCH MOWING

Tony Woollett





Marge Writes

Bishop
Derek in his
Synod
Sermon of
2001
reflected on the terrorist
attack on New York and
Washington just three weeks

earlier. Referring to the images of the hijacked planes crashing into buildings he wrote, "We will never forget that day with its graphic images, grateful that we live in an insignificant country in the south Pacific."

Last Friday changed that perspective forever.

Apparently it was because New Zealand thought itself safe from such a horror, that the person who inflicted such pain and suffering on the Christchurch Muslim community chose to vent his anger and hatred in this country. As many commentators have said, "Friday ended our innocence." Terror can happen anywhere.

Life here is going to change just as it changed for Americans after 9/11, as increased security becomes the new norm at airports, sporting events, and other gathering places.

So, how do we respond?

May I suggest, with patience and understanding when travel becomes more of a headache and screening at events takes longer than before.

But, more importantly, I pray we do not let the new norm cause anger and hatred to swell in our hearts to where we lash out at others—either those who are doing their job to try and keep us safe or those who have brought this new norm upon us.

You see, Jesus still calls us to forgive those who hurt us. Forgiveness does **not** mean that what the person did to hurt us is okay. Forgiveness acknowledges the wrong done and says, "but I will not hold it against you in my heart. I will not hate you or seek revenge or wish harm upon you. I will seek instead to see God's best for you."

May we pray for all who were affected by the tragedy on Friday—the victims and their loved ones, the entire Muslim community, the emergency and medical teams, civic and national leaders, children, bystanders, the entire city of Christchurch, all of Aotearoa New Zealand, and the one who caused the pain.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

In times of uncertainty we are tempted to both worry and take matters into our own hands instead of trusting God's love for us doing things God's way.

Jesus no doubt was faced with uncertainty when after hearing those marvellous words of affirmation as God's dear, dear Son at his baptism, was pushed by the Spirit into the wilderness to fast for 40 days and be tempted by Satan.

Jesus faced the uncertainty by clinging to the love of the Father for him and trusting that God's way (as revealed in Scripture) was the best way. May we too realize in our times of uncertainty that we, too, are God's dear, dear children and that He will see us through as we follow Him. So, be anxious for nothing. Pray about everything.

So, how's it going?

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ELECTORAL ROLL & AGM

Our **AGM is on Thursday 4th April at 7.30pm in the Trinity Lounge.** In order to stand for an office or vote at the AGM and any other special parish meetings that are held, you must be on the Parish Electoral Roll. The current roll is posted on the foyer notice board. If you are not currently on the Roll and wish to be, provided you are baptised and have been worshipping with us for at least 4 months, please fill in a yellow form which is available in the foyer and hand to one of the clergy or Nicky **by Wednesday 27th March.**

NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination forms for Vestry Members and People's Warden are in the foyer. **Nominations close on Wednesday, 27th March.** Elections will be held at our AGM on Thursday, April 4, for the following roles:

Vestry (up to 10 people) - Vestry is responsible for overseeing the finance, property, and mission of the church in months between AGMs. Currently Vestry meets in the evening of the 3rd Thursday of most months.

People's Warden - elected by the parish at the AGM. Along with the Vicar's Warden (who is appointed by the Vicar), the People's Warden has some extra responsibilities with regards to the Vicar, staff and parish. People's Wardens are members of Vestry and so this involves the monthly Vestry commitment as well.

MOTIONS FOR AGM

If you wish to move a motion at the AGM, it must be submitted in writing to clergy or Nicky by 27th March in order to provide advance notice to the parish. Any matters raised without advanced notice will not be discussed or voted on.

TRASH AND TREASURE

We are looking for items that we can sell at the Mini Fair on Saturday 6 April to support the Johnsons. We are looking particularly at furniture, kitchen items, garden equipment, books, jewellery and various other odds and ends. We are **NOT** selling Manchester or clothes or tvs. Items can be stored in the Parish Centre garage. Bring these any time there is someone at the parish centre, or if you know how to open the garage.

BAKING & PRODUCE

For the **mini-fair on 6 April**, we would appreciate donated items of baking, preserves and produce. Proceeds will contribute to new kneelers at the communion rail. These items can be delivered to the Parish Centre that week or the Trinity lounge on Friday afternoon 5 April. Thank you.

TAIZE SERVICE

This form of prayer offers an invitation to come away from our busy lives and spend some quiet, restful time with the Lord. This service of meditative singing, thoughts to ponder and prayer, will be at **St Patrick's Catholic Church, this Wednesday 20th March at 7.30pm.**

ECUMENICAL WORSHIP NIGHT

Greymouth Elim Church are hosting a combined worship night at 6.30pm on **Sunday 31st March in the Grey Main School hall.** They say, "Our heart is to see the West Coast churches and community all connecting as one voice in worship to our God. It's an open invitation and we would love to see you there!" See poster on noticeboard.

TEARFUND POVERTY CYCLE UPDATE

March 8th -14th Week two It's been a tough week this week as I lost a friend and former work colleague so have lost a couple of days riding, but back on it now. I have ridden 240 km this week so I'm past half way with a total ridden of 540km - yay.

My fundraising total stands at the time of writing this at \$2608.00. Yahoo!

If you are interested in riding all or part of the cycle trail with me on the 30th, then could you please get in touch with me as I need to start planning for this final(?) ride. Remember you can start from any point along the trail joining in with us as we pass through all ending up at the start/finish line opposite the train station in Greymouth late Saturday afternoon.

Thanks for all the support and prayers.

Cheers, Pete

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Russell, Jane and Jonathan Nimmo on the birth of their newest grandson/nephew, Ezekiel John, born to Brad and Claudia Wood in Nelson.

Prayer Requests to: Ngairé Fisher 768 6505