



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
20 & 21 July 2019
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Monday 22 Jul		<i>Clergy day off</i>	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
	9-12	Cardiac Club	
	12.30	Line Dancing	
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
Tuesday 23 Jul	10am	Dixon House Devotions (David Hastings)	
	1.30pm!!	Ladies Fellowship Group in Parish Centre (NOTE: Early Start)	
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	7pm	Hawes Home Group (47 Palmerston St)	
	6.30pm	Marjorie's Home Group Pot Luck at 9 Heaphy St	
Wednesday 24 Jul	10am	Dixon House Communion (Tim Mora)	
	2pm	AAW meeting in Cobden Church	
	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	6pm	Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place	
	7.30pm	Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre	
Thursday 25 Jul	9am	Bible in Schools (Launchpad) at Paroa School	
	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	5.30pm	Music Practice in Church	
	6.45pm	SOULFOOD at 35 Karoro Place	
	7.30pm	Laver's Home Group 18c Serpentine Rd	
Friday 26 July	10am	Kids 'n Coffee	
	3.30-5.30pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	7pm	The SHED Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd	
Saturday 27 Jul	8pm	Old Time Dance in Hall	
Sunday 28 Jul	1.30pm	Walking Group meet at church for a local walk	
	6.30pm	The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd	

Services Next Weekend: 27 & 28 July 2019

SATURDAY:

6pm Communion (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)

SUNDAY :

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

10am Oasis (7-11yr olds) & Sunday School (4-7yr olds) in Trinity Hall

10am Family Communion (Songs and hymns)

2pm Holy Communion

6.30pm

KUMARA NO SERVICE

FLOWERS



Paula & Liz

CHURCH CLEANING



Anne Bernard
Robin Kingston

CHURCH MOWING



Russell Nimmo

Theme for this weekend:
Why is it so important to forgive?

Readings for this weekend:
Romans 12:14-21 (p 1470); Matthew 6:7-15 (p 1228)

Prayer for the Day: God of infinite mercy, grant that we who know your pity may rejoice in your forgiveness, and gladly forgive others for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: God Knows Your Name.
 Readings for next weekend: Psalm 139:13-17; Matthew 16:13-19

EQ STRENGTHENING UPDATE

As you can see from the report at the bottom of the page, the retirement of our earthquake strengthening debt is getting very close indeed. We fully expect the debt to be repaid early August. How we give thanks and praise to the Lord for His hand on every aspect of this project and thanks to everyone who has contributed in any way at any time over the last five years.

In line with the unanimous decision of the AGM in April, it is time to invite the parish to prayerfully consider giving towards the retirement of our mortgage on 186 Main South Road (The SHED and Youth Worker's house). If the rate of giving towards the earthquake strengthening continued for the mortgage, the mortgage could be paid off within a year. We also have a number of expensive maintenance needs at the 186 property.

This is an invitation and no pressure will be brought to bear on anyone to give towards the "186 Project." Vestry unanimously agreed at its June meeting that the end date for this fund-raiser be set at December 31, 2020 whether or not the full amount is raised.

Should you be interested in giving towards the 186 project you may use either the "Special Projects" Envelope, if you give via offering envelopes, or special 186 envelopes can be prepared for you (contact Parish Office), or through online banking to our Westpac account—

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Those currently giving to the EQ project may continue to do so with no changes and we will assume anything marked EQ will be intended for the 186 Project once the EQ debt is paid off.

Last week: Attendance: 108 Offertory: \$3,478 (Total needed: \$3,580)
 Earthquake donations received in June 2019 (less tithe): \$2,557
Approximate amount owing on Earthquake Strengthening loan: \$3,400
 EQ Donations for July and updated loan balance will be reported by early August.



Marge Praying to the Lord on behalf of others is an important ministry. Such prayer is called intercessory prayer. You will have noticed that each of our services includes a time of intercession during which we pray for the church and the world.

Writes

One of the gifts of the Spirit is intercession and, while prayer is an activity for all Christians, some find they have been gifted with the desire and ability to pray on behalf of others.

For many years we had a group of intercessors who were committed to praying for the needs of others. Over the years our intercessory group has dwindled due to death and increased frailty.

This week I was speaking with one of our parishioners who has a heart for intercessory prayer and would like to see our intercessory group reignited. She is willing to take responsibility to organise things, but needs to know who would like to be part of this vital ministry. If you were part of the prayer group in the past and would like to continue or you are interested in joining for the first time, please contact Joanna Lorimer at 768-6172 or 027 380 2989.

Once a group of intercessors has formed, we will meet to get to know one another and have some teaching.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

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HOW'S IT GOING

What is forgiveness?

It is a deep down attitude that we develop that says that we are no longer holding any grudge or anger over the perpetrator that caused us the hurt. It is **NOT** saying that what happened was OK, or didn't matter. Instead, I am finding a way of avoiding it messing up my life for evermore.

The story of Joseph in the Old Testament shows how Joseph was able to let go of his anger, hurt and bitterness at the way his brothers intended to murder him, and later changed their minds to sell him as a slave.

The result was that he felt pleasure rather than hatred when his brothers came for food. However, he did test them to see if they had repented and changed. Why did he do this? So that he could actually have **reconciliation**.

Reconciliation is when the hurt party has an attitude of forgiveness and the perpetrator has a heart of repentance and desire to change. If we try and reconcile before the other party is ready, we are likely to do some bad things in terms of long term relationships.

Greatest reconciliation is between us and God. He has an attitude of forgiveness for all, shown on the cross. Our part, as sinners, is to repent and want to change. It is not a one off event, but a continuing process. That is why we come regularly to receive communion, acknowledging afresh our heart of repentance and love for Jesus.

So, how's it going?

PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

We are planning to publish an updated Parish Directory in July. Please check your details on the list in the foyer and tick your name if it's all correct or make changes to update your contact details as necessary. Thank you.

PRAYER LEAFLET FOR DIOCESE

A light green card with the details of the leadership team in each parish in the Nelson Diocese has been produced. This is up to date and available for anyone who wishes to pray for the diocese, preferably on a daily basis .

Cards are available in the foyer. Help yourself. If there aren't any left, see one of the clergy.

ORDINATION OF STEVE MAINA AS BISHOP OF NELSON

This very significant event in the life of our diocese takes place on Saturday 31 August at 9.30am in Christ Church Cathedral, Nelson. Because of the large number expected to attend, admission to the service and the lunch that follows will be **by ticket only**.

If you are interested in travelling to Nelson to be there for that service, please let Marge know. Once the number of those who have been officially invited and will attend has been confirmed, our parish may get some seats allotted to us.

The final allocation of seats is likely to be made by the end of July, so do ensure you let Marge know well before then if you are keen to attend. Robin and Marge are going up on the Friday afternoon and returning on the Sunday afternoon.

PROMISE KEEPERS

This annual men's conference is on in Christchurch 2nd - 3rd August. This year's theme is "Courage - let's step forward together, enter into his presence, live out your destiny, for the Lord your God will be with you." Find more details and register online at www.promisekeepers.nz.

7TH SEPTEMBER CELEBRATION

Tony & Margaret Woollett are organising the great celebration to mark the total repayment of the loan taken out for the earthquake strengthening of the church facilities. The

evening will consist of a variety of items—musical, drama, comedy, etc. They are looking for a couple more items.

There is no charge for the evening, but folk are invited to bring a plate of finger food for a pot luck supper. Please note that the Ladies Guild have kindly offered to make sandwiches and set up the tables for us.

Tony and Margaret are looking for a couple more items and a small crew to set out the supper, serve tea and coffee and clean up afterwards. Please contact Tony and Margaret if you can help with either of these requests—768 4323 or 021 146 6231 or tandmwoollett@gmail.com

LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP-FILM

We will meet this **Tuesday at 1:30pm** in the Parish Centre for our annual movie afternoon. Please note the **earlier start time**. We will view the film "Crossing Delancey" a romantic comedy set in New York City in the late 1990's. There is no charge and all ladies are welcome.

AAW MEETING THIS WEEK

Meets on Wednesday 24 July 2019 at 2.00pm in the Cobden Church.
 Guest Speaker is The Ven Tim Mora.
 All Ladies Welcome.
 Enquiries to Lesta Smithson Ph 762 7826.

TEMPORARY PARISH ADMIN CHANGES

Last Thursday, Vestry approved to grant Nicky Hawes, our Parish Administrator, four months leave without pay to allow her to help with this year's calf rearing at the dairy farm and to hire Robin to fill in during her leave. Nicky trained Robin a couple of weeks ago and he had a dry run last week while Nicky was on annual leave. All went well and he will be officially assuming the role this Tuesday. **The office hours during these four months will change to Tues—Fri 9am—1pm** and notice will be given of any changes due to other responsibilities (e.g. Diocesan meetings when Marge and Robin both have to be away). Nicky will return to the post in mid-November.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER DAY

Wednesday, 31st July, 10am-2pm at The Salvation Army on Tainui St. Theme is "Waking Up to God—Smell". See poster in foyer for details.