

Monday 19 Aug		<i>Clergy day off</i> <i>Parish Office closed</i>
	1pm	Order of St Luke in Parish Centre
	1pm	Elder Care afternoon tea in Church Lounge
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group
Tuesday 20 Aug	<b>10am</b>	<b>Dixon House Devotions (Pat Cogger)</b>
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Tuesday Friends in Parish Centre</b>
	<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Parish Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre</b>
	<b>12.45pm</b>	<b>Pastoral Care Meeting in Parish Centre</b>
	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Ladies Fellowship—special 80th Birthday celebration In Church Lounge</b>
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group
	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>3DM meeting at 35 Karoro Place</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St</b>
Wednesday 21 Aug	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre</b>
Thursday 22 Aug	<b>9am</b>	<b>Bible in Schools (Launchpad) at Paroa School</b>
	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group
	5.30pm	Music Practice in Church
	<b>6.45pm</b>	<b>SOULFOOD at 35 Karoro Place</b>
Friday 23 Aug	<b>10am</b>	<b>Kids 'n Coffee</b>
	3.30-5.30pm	Crossroads Dance Group
	<b>7pm</b>	<b>The SHED Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd</b>
Saturday 24 Aug		
Sunday 25 Aug	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd</b>

**Services Next Weekend: 17 & 18 August 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** The Way Youth Service at The SHED (186 Main South Road)

**KUMARA NO SERVICE NEXT WEEK**



## Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara

### 17th & 18th August 2019

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

**Theme for this weekend: The Potter's Wheel—**

**Part 3: Invitation to Mission**

**Readings for this weekend:** Psalm 96 (p 767); John 14:8-14 (p 1389)

**Prayer for the Day:** Loving God, Master Potter, what a beautiful and useful vessel you can make of me if I will but let you work with this lump of clay. Thank you that you want to hold me in your loving hands, to shape me, and to breath your life into me. Help me to be sensitive to the good works you have for me to do and equip me by your Holy Spirit to do them in your love and power. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Preparing for a new Bishop

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

**ALPHA COURSE—START DETAILS**

This year's Alpha Course will begin on **SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER at 7.30PM in the Parish Centre lounge, 201 Tainui St. Each evening will finish by 9pm.**

Anyone who is interested should give their names to either Marge or Robin together with contact details. If you know of folk interested, do let us know. We are hoping for 7 or 8 people to come and join us.

If you have a friend who is interested, seriously consider doing the course with them or at the very least the first couple of sessions.

**ALPHA COURSE REFRESHMENTS**

We are looking for either a dessert or some home baking each Sunday evening at 7.30pm. Food can be brought to one of the Sunday services, and can


be kept in the church kitchen fridge, or brought along to the Parish Centre just before 7.30pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer to fill in if you feel you can assist in this way.

Initially we are catering for about 10 people.

**LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

This month's gathering is being shifted to the third Tuesday for this month only in order to coincide with Rose Goodall's actual birthday. We will be celebrating Rose's 80th birthday in the style of an 8 year olds birthday party with party games such as "Pin the Tail on the Donkey". Good fun all around **this Tuesday, 20th August, at 2pm in the Church Lounge.** All ladies are welcome.


**FLOWERS**



Jane Nimmo

**CHURCH CLEANING**

Robyn White  
Samantha Ennis



**CHURCH MOWING**

Roger Lavers



Last week: Attendance: 120 Offertory: \$ 3,201 (Total needed: \$3,580)

**Earthquake Strengthening now COMPLETELY PAID**

Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project by 4 August: **\$2,532**

Donations received in the remainder of August will be reported by mid-September



**Marge** A month ago I wrote about the

restarting of the parish prayer chain and asked for anyone interested in being part of this ministry to get in touch with Joanna Lorimer who has volunteered to organize it. Joanna is part of our Sunday 8am congregation and has a lot of experience in this sort of ministry.

Unfortunately we didn't have any uptake other than clergy. When I went back to read what I wrote, I think I gave the impression that only those who feel they have a special gift of intercession should volunteer and I failed to describe how the process would work. My apologies on both counts.

The Scriptures encourage us all to pray for one another whether or not we have the spiritual gift of intercession. A parish prayer chain is simply a mechanism whereby people can request prayer for themselves or others and be assured that someone will pray.

Prayer requests are directed to the organiser of the prayer chain who then contacts those who have indicated that they are willing to spend some time praying. This is done at whatever time is

convenient for the volunteer. It is not about spending heaps of time on each request or leaving the comfort of your own home, but simply holding the person in need in God's presence and praying on their behalf.

For those that indicate that they are interested, there will be a little bit of instruction especially around matters of confidentiality.

I hope this explanation encourages many of you to be part of this very important ministry. I especially encourage those of you who have never tried this before as well as those who are already involved in other prayer ministries of the church (e.g. Healing prayer at the 10am service or prayer for the parish at noon on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, or the Order of St. Luke) to consider this ministry opportunity.

Joanna can be contacted at either 768 6172 or 027 380 2989.

Please prayerfully consider if this is a ministry in which you could serve.

With love and blessings,

*Marge*



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**Parish Health Advisor:** Marjorie Newcombe, Ph/Fax 03 768 7299  
**Kumara Contact:** Nikki Davies 027 308 4584

## FURTHER UPDATE ON PARISH DIRECTORY

Lewis Bell no longer has a land line and is using a new cell phone. It is **020 4100 7631**

### **Add the following to the roll -**

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[landrlindbom@gmail.com](mailto:landrlindbom@gmail.com)

Jana Roos, 15 Geraldine St 022 088 9701  
[Jana.roos7@gmail.com](mailto:Jana.roos7@gmail.com)

Please amend your directories accordingly.

## HOLY SPIRIT WEEKEND

The Buller Anglican Parish is holding its 5th Annual Holy Spirit Conference on Friday night and Saturday 27/28 September. The speakers are Andy & Liz Goodacre from Tasmania. Topic: "Equipped by the Spirit to be God's Family on Mission." There are brochures in the foyer. Take one if you are interested. Cost: \$25.

## COURSE ON "EMPOWERED TO EVANGELISE"

Elim Church is running a six week course designed to train believers to effectively lead people into relationship with God through the gospel of Jesus Christ:

Weeks 1 & 2 The Message  
Weeks 3 & 4 The Messenger  
Weeks 5 & 6 The Power

The course will be held at the Greymouth Baptist Church on Sunday evenings from 6pm—8pm 29th September to Sunday 3rd November. It is being run by Dr Neville van Eerten of the Elim Church.

## VOICE OF THE MARTYRS

Voice of the Martyrs is sponsoring the visit of Hanna Massad who was the Pastor of the Baptist church in Gaza strip. He will be speaking on **Wed 28th of August at Cobden Anglican at 7:30pm**. No charge but we would appreciate an offering for his and Voice of the Martyrs expenses.

He will speak on his experience as a Baptist Pastor in this context and offer his perspective on the issues facing the Palestinian people and the Jewish state including a time for questions. We are fortunate to have someone from this context come and speak.

## HOW'S IT GOING

Discipleship consists of three components—

Being with Jesus—Intimacy

Becoming like Jesus—Transformation

Doing what Jesus did —Mission

The work of a potter is one of several biblical metaphors for discipleship. We've all watched a potter take a lump of clay, plonk it onto the wheel and, as the wheel spins, see him/her shape the clay into something of beauty and purpose.

Two weeks ago we pondered accepting Jesus' invitation to be with Him everyday. Last week we considered four spiritual practices to regularly engage, while being with Jesus, that will position ourselves to being transformed into becoming more like Jesus.

In Matthew 11:28-30, Jesus uses the analogy of a yoked team of oxen to illustrate how this works. When a farmer wanted to train a young ox to pull a plough, he would team him with an experienced ox. The yoke used to keep the oxen together would have been carefully crafted from wood so that it would fit well and distribute the weight of the load appropriately. Jesus invites us to be yoked to Him and learn from Him. Eugene Peterson paraphrases Jesus' words this way in *The Message* —

*"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."*

I have a book that describes 65 spiritual practices or ways of being yoked to Jesus so we can learn from Him, but last week we considered just four—reading the Scriptures, prayer, worship and solitude.

So, how's it going?

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