

Monday
2 Sep 1pm Clergy day off Parish Office closed
3.30-6pm Order of St Luke in Parish Centre
7.30pm Crossroads Dance Group
Tricia & David's Home Group at 359 Main South Rd

Tuesday
3 Sep 10am Dixon House Devotions (Robin)
10.30am Tuesday Friends in Parish Centre
12 noon Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre
12.45pm Pastoral Care Meeting in Parish Centre
1.30pm Ladies Guild in Parish Centre
3.30-6pm Crossroads Dance Group
6:30pm 3DM at 35 Karoro Place
7.30pm Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St

Wednesday
4 Sep 10-11.30am Parish Health Advisor in Quiet Room
3.30-7pm Crossroads Dance Group
6pm Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place
7.30pm Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre

Thursday
5 Sep 9am Bible in Schools (Launchpad) at Paroa School
3.30-7pm Crossroads Dance Group
5.30pm Music Practice in Church
NO!!! SOULFOOD (restart next week, 12 Sept)
7.30pm Kenyans Sharing in Trinity Centre

Friday
6 Sep 10am Kids 'n Coffee
3.30-5.30pm Crossroads Dance Group
5.30pm Fellowship at Monteiths
7pm The SHED Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd

Saturday
7 Sep 7.30pm The Big Celebration in the Trinity Centre

Sunday
8 Sep 6.30pm The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd
7.30pm ALPHA Course in Parish Centre

Services Next Weekend: 7 & 8 September 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)

FLOWERS



Helen & Jeanette

CHURCH CLEANING



Norm & Dot Wilkins

CHURCH MOWING



Tony Woollett



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
31 August & 1 September 2019
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: I Delight to do Your Will, O Lord (David Hastings)
Readings for this weekend: Psalm 40:1-8 (p.722); John 10:1-10 (p.1381)

Prayer for the Day: Almighty God, Give us courage to hope and to risk disappointment. Teach us to pray expectantly, and when our prayers seem to fail, bring us to pray again and again; for you are our God, who acts and will act again. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Team from Kenya Sharing
Readings for next weekend: To Be Confirmed

POT LUCK SOCIAL GATHERING

Aim to get to know others.

Everyone welcome.

This **Sunday 1 Sept at noon** in the church lounge.

Bring a plate of food to share. Please stay and join us even if you haven't brought a plate. There will be plenty of food to go around.

Queries to Pauline Mallinson or Christina Bushby. Final gathering for this year.

KENYANS SPEAKING & SHARING

A number of Kenyans are coming to support Bishop Elect Steve Maina as he is ordained as our bishop. Three of them will be in Greymouth from 4-8 Sept. They will be speaking and sharing at various groups and at an open meeting this **Thurs, 5 Sept, at 7.30pm in the Trinity Centre.** Two of

them will also be taking the preaching slots at Holy Trinity next weekend.

The church in Kenya is strong, and they are sending missionaries to New Zealand to help and encourage us!!

ALPHA COURSE—START DETAILS

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

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 put 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. Initially we are catering for about 10 people.

Prayer Requests to Joanna Lorimer—768 6172

Last week: Attendance: 114 Offerory: \$ 3,541 (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 Writes

It has been such a delight to have David and Dot Hastings as part of our parish in one capacity or other for nearly ten years. David first provided holiday cover for Robin and me in 2010 while he was still living in Ashburton. He has covered every year since and, after he and Dot were married, they decided to move to Greymouth and be faithful parishioners with us. We had been praying for a number of years that the Lord would bring a retired priest into the parish.

Both David and Dot are such great examples of people who get alongside others both in the community and in the church to gently disciple them in their faith journeys. An example was the Alpha course they led at the Taramakau Settlement.

I am particularly grateful to David for reigniting our passion to hold an annual Alpha course and this has been so beneficial to many.

David and Dot will be shifting back to CHCH in about two weeks and this weekend David is preaching and celebrating for the last time as a parishioner. However, we hope to bring them back for holiday cover in the future.

Please take an opportunity over the next couple of weeks to express your appreciation and wish them Godspeed.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

By the time you read this, we will have a new bishop (Lord willing, and the creek don't rise). It feels a bit like when the leadership of the ancient Israelites was transitioned from Moses to Joshua.

Moses had been a larger than life leader, but his work was done and Joshua was chosen to lead God's people into the Promised land. It must have been a daunting task to follow on after Moses and certainly the task was bigger than Joshua. But Joshua had been chosen by God as the next leader and the Lord Himself exhorts Joshua to "be strong and of good courage" or "determined and confident" three times as he picks up the reins of leadership

First, Joshua is to be determined and confident because God had made a promise that He would bring His people into the Promised land.

Second, he is to be determined and confident in faithfully studying and obeying the Word of God as it had been given to Moses.

Third, he is to be determined and confident because God is with him and will prosper him if he remains obedient.

This word to Joshua is also the word for Bishop Steve as he takes up the reins to lead this diocese into the future. And it is also a word to this parish that we can be confident that the Lord is with us to make us into disciples who make disciples just as He promised as we follow and obey Him.

Let the adventure continue!

So, how's it going?

THE BIG CELEBRATION

Saturday 7 September at 7.30pm

A variety concert with supper. FREE.

However, if you can bring a plate of food for supper, that would be great.

PURPOSE: To celebrate and give thanks that the whole of the earthquake strengthening has been paid for, including all loans.

All Welcome.

FLOWER SERVICE

The annual Greymouth Uniting Church Spring Flower Service will be on Sunday 8 September at 2pm followed by afternoon tea. During the service a collection will be taken with proceeds going to the Kowhai Project (to provide special garden areas at our new hospital). **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR DEVOTIONS AT DIXON HOUSE

Our parish takes responsibility for leading devotions at Dixon House every Tuesday morning from 10am to 10.20am. We do this on a roster basis, and we are looking for a few more volunteers to help monthly.

We have a pianist available.

It involves having a little talk suitable for the residents, and having one or two prayers and singing a couple of hymns from their hymnbook.

If you think this is something you could do as a Christian ministry, do chat to Marge.

TRANSPORT REQUIRED

Unfortunately Judi Mahuika broke her hip playing walking netball. As a result we are looking for volunteers to help transport up to three adults from Granger House to our 10am Sunday service each week while she recovers. **Please let Robin know if you can assist once a month or more often. STARTS IMMEDIATELY.**

RETURN OF NICKY HAWES

Nicky's work at the dairy farm as come to completion and she is now back in the Parish Office as our administrator **Tues-Fri 9am-1pm**. She will be on annual leave this week to be with Jen in the lead up to her wedding but will be back from Tuesday, 10 Sept. Our thanks to Robin for serving as a reliever for the last few weeks.

LADIES GUILD

The September meeting is this Tuesday the 3rd at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre.

We will be making Christmas Lolly jars so bring along anything to decorate them.

PARISH HEALTH ADVISOR

Marjorie will hold her monthly clinic this **Wednesday in the Quiet Room from 10-11.30am**. Feels free to drop in for a bp check and some friendly advice on health related matters.

FELLOWSHIP AT MONTEITH'S

This Friday, 6 Sept at 5:30pm, feel free to join this informal gathering of men and women of the parish for a drink and fellowship. Just look for some of the folk you know from church. Everyone is welcome.

ADVANCED CARE PLANNING

It is not something we like to think about, but each of us will die someday and there is much we can do to make things easier on our loved ones when the time comes. These include letting your wishes be known regarding resuscitation & life-support, cremation vs, burial, the funeral service details and making a will to name a few. A very helpful guide is available to assist you with this thinking and a few are available on the table in the foyer. They are also available from the Public Health office next to Honda in town. Be sure your family and GP are kept informed of your wishes.

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.

Marge and Robin have already booked both for the conference, and also to spend Friday night at a motel in Westport.

PRAYING FOR PERSECUTED CHURCH

Free copies of a daily Barnabas Prayer guide is available in the foyer. Help yourself. If they have run out, let Robin know.

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