

Monday
9 Sep Clergy day off Parish Office closed
1pm Order of St Luke in Parish Centre
3.30-6pm Crossroads Dance Group

Tuesday
10 Sep **10am Dixon House Devotions (Janet)**
3.30-6pm Crossroads Dance Group
7pm Hawes Home Group
7.30pm Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St

Wednesday
11 Sep **10am Dixon House HC (Robin)**
11am Granger House HC (Robin)
11am Hospital Chapel (Marge)
3.30-7pm Crossroads Dance Group
6pm Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place
7.30pm Lavers Home Group at 18C Serpentine Rd
7.30pm Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre

Thursday
12 Sep 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 PI

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

Saturday
14 Sep

Sunday
15 Sept **2pm Spring Flower Service at Uniting Church**
6.30pm The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd
7pm ALPHA Course in Parish Centre

Services Next Weekend: 14 & 15 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)

KUMARA Morning Worship (Samara)

FLOWERS



CHURCH CLEANING

Norm & Dot
Wilkins



CHURCH MOWING




Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
7th & 8th September 2019

Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: The Power of Christ in Us (Pastor Chris Maina)
Readings for this weekend: Ephesians 1:19-23 (p.1517); Matt 9:35-38 (p.1234)

Prayer for the Day: Almighty God, Help us to truly believe that the same power that you used to raise Christ from the dead fills us—his followers. May we have the courage to obey you in whatever you call us to do. In the name of Jesus we pray who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: The Value of Scripture—Launch of Right Now Media
Readings for next weekend: 2 Timothy 3:14-17; Matthew 4:1-11

WELCOME TO OUR KENYAN GUESTS

This weekend we are delighted to welcome Pastor Chris Maina and his wife Elizabeth Kuthimba to our services. Chris is the senior pastor of Lifespring Chapel in Nairobi—a church planted 20 years ago by our new Bishop Steve. Chris and Elizabeth came out with many from Kenya to support Bishop Steve at his ordination last weekend. It has been such a delight to host this couple this week and to realise that both of our churches, separated by half a world, are being called by the same Lord to the same mission of becoming disciples who grow disciples. It has been so encouraging to learn about the things they are doing.

ALPHA COURSE REFRESHMENTS

We are looking for either a dessert or some home baking each Sunday evening at 7pm. 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 7pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. We are catering for about 18 people.

There are still plenty of spaces to fill.

ALPHA COURSE HAS STARTED

We are absolutely thrilled with the number coming to the course. If there is anyone else who wishes to join the course, please come this Sunday, 8 September. There will be another course next year.

We are beginning at 7pm and finishing as close to 8.30pm as possible.

We are meeting in the Parish Centre.

PARISH WEB PAGE

Our apologies for the webpage being out of action for the last two weeks. We are in contact with our web host to try to sort the problem. Hopefully soon!

Prayer Requests to Joanna Lorimer—027 380 2989

Last week: Attendance: 132 Offertory: \$ 3,523 (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 What a wonderful day we had in Nelson last Saturday with the ordination and installation of our new Bishop—Steve Maina. The service was recorded and is available on the diocesan website. I encourage you to watch it. See details on the next page.

Writes Vestry, at its July meeting, unanimously agreed to subscribe to a service that makes thousands of Christian studies available on line. These studies include every book of the bible and seemingly every topic imaginable including marriage, parenting, science, evangelism, finance and work to name a few. There are studies designed for men, women, and teenagers. There are more than 2,000 videos for kids (e.g. Veggie Tales and Superbook).

What is really fantastic is that EVERYONE in our parish can have unlimited access anytime. So, not only can home group leaders (and preachers) find interesting materials, but so can individuals and families. All that is required is that you have internet access.

We are going to give this service a try for one year and next weekend we will launch it and give you more details about how you can sign up. Don't miss out!

With love and blessings,
Marge

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FAREWELL FROM DOT & DAVE

Well, for Dot and me it's going, going, almost gone. It has been a busy time trying to downsize without much success.

We are thrilled to be handing our lovely home over to a Christian couple from church. The longer I live the more I am convinced that God is leading me in my life. I find his guidance and his hand on my life, as I endeavour to follow the guidelines for living that he has given me in the "Manufacturers Handbook" (The Bible) that he has provided for my daily encouragement, and as I follow his Spirit that he has given me to guide my actions.

So to all our many family members in our parish family in Greymouth it's not goodbye but au revoir (till we meet again). We will let you know where we are once we are settled and we will be happy to be a stay away from home for any of our Christian family from Greymouth.

Will send you details when we know where we will be.

Dot n Dave

Editor's Note—A poignant thought from Dave's farewell sermon last weekend—*Sin is not merely breaking one of God's rules, it is a wound in the heart of the One who loves us so much.*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF BISHOP STEVE MAINA

The whole service is now on the webpage of the diocese. Use the following link to take you to the page—

nelsonanglican.nz/11th-Bishop-of-Nelson

It has the bookmarks for the various main parts of the service, so you can go straight to the sermon (which was very good and not too long), the ordination (a better view than was had by most of those present), and the installation.

If you have the time, listening to some of the music towards the end of the communion time, watching the installation and carrying on to the procession out is quite absorbing. Watching and listening to the Kenyan procession in front of the new bishop is not to be missed.

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/songs from their hymnbook.

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

FLOWER SERVICE

The annual Greymouth Uniting Church Spring Flower Service will be on **NEXT** Sunday, 8 September, at 2pm followed by afternoon tea.

During the service a collection will be taken for the Kowhai Project (to provide

special garden areas at our new hospital). **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

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 has come to completion and she is now back in the Parish Office as our administrator **Tues-Fri 9am-1pm.**

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.

CWCI WEST COAST SAFARI

Saturday, October 5th, is the date of the CWCI 25th anniversary lunch from 11am—3pm at the Greymouth Baptist Church. Cost is \$40. **RSVP to 021 133 0370 by this Friday, 13 September.**

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