

Week 2 of school holidays

**NOTE:** Unless your group shows as meeting during the school holidays, It almost certainly isn't. Most Home Groups try and have a break during the holiday period. If in doubt if your group is meeting, please ring your leader.

Monday		<i>Clergy day off</i>	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
7 Oct	1pm	Order of St Luke in Parish Centre	
	1-3pm	<b>Elder CARE afternoon tea in Trinity Lounge</b>	
Tuesday			
8 Oct	<b>10am</b>	<b>Dixon House Devotions (Janet)</b>	
Wednesday		<i>Clergy in Nelson for Clergy Conference</i>	
9 Oct	<b>10am</b>	<b>Dixon House communion service (Barry Smithson)</b>	
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Granger House communion service (Barry Smithson)</b>	
	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Dixon House Trust Board lunch in Parish Centre</b>	
Thursday		<i>Clergy in Nelson for Synod</i>	
10 Oct			
Friday		<i>Clergy in Nelson for Synod</i>	
11 Oct			
Saturday		<i>Clergy in Nelson for Synod</i>	
12 October			
Sunday			
13 Oct	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Alpha in the Parish Centre</b>	

**Services Next Weekend: 12 & 13 October 2019** (School Holidays - last weekend)

**SATURDAY:**

**6pm** Communion (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)

**SUNDAY :**

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

**NO!!** Oasis

**10am** Family Communion (Songs and hymns)

**2pm** Afternoon Worship

**6:30** The Way Youth Service at The SHED (186 Main South Road)

**KUMARA** No service

**CLERGY AWAY THIS WEEK**

Marge and Robin will be at Clergy conference in Nelson on Wed and Thurs. They will then be joined by Libby Truman, Trevor Morrison and Jacquie Jones as the five representatives of our parish at the Nelson Diocesan Synod (AGM). Synod runs through Saturday.



**Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara**  
**5 & 6 October 2019**  
***Blessed to be a Blessing***  
***Growing Disciples of Jesus***

**Theme for this weekend:** Why do we worship God?

**Readings for this weekend:** Job 1:1-12 (p.653); Job 1:13-22 (p.653)  
(NOTE: no gospel reading)

**Prayer for the Day: Holy God, Creator of all, it is in You we live. You give us purpose for life. You are more important than anything else. You are the reason we live. May Your Holy Spirit encourage and empower us to worship you in all our thoughts and actions, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Theme for next weekend: How Does God Get Your Attention?

Readings for next weekend: Daniel 5:1-9; Matthew 14:22-33

**PARISH FAIR**

In just 5 weeks the annual Parish Fair will be happening again! So it's time to do your annual spring clean and bring any good quality no-longer-needed goods to the parish garage to be sold at the Fair. We appreciate all donations and are glad that together we can also provide this service to the community.

**CHURCH WEBSITE**

We now have the church website up and running again. All the sermons and newsletters are there now. The website operates much faster and more smoothly than before. So, thank you for your patience while it was being repaired, we are good to go now!

**PRAYER CALENDAR WITH BIRTH DATES AND PHOTOS**

Last year Rev'd David Hastings put together our first ever prayer calendar with individual photos and dates of birth. Robin is putting out an updated version for 2020, including all those who have joined the parish since then, and correcting any errors. These coloured calendars will be available in December at \$2 to cover the cost of printing.

If you would like an updated photo, change of photo, or correction from this year's production, please contact Robin. He has a copy of the calendar for you to check details. If you have any thoughts on improvements, do tell Robin so that they can be incorporated.

Prayer Requests to Joanna Lorimer—027 380 2989

Last week: Attendance: 113 Offertory: \$ 3,429 (Total needed: \$3,580)  
Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project by end of August: **\$5,163**  
Donations received in September will be reported by mid-October

**FLOWERS**



Helen & Jeanette

**CHURCH CLEANING**



Tony & Margaret Woollett

**CHURCH MOWING**



Roger Lavers



**Marge** I have been  
receiving  
**Writes** v e r y  
p o s i t i v e  
f e e d b a c k

from some of you who have signed up with RightNow Media. A number of you have yet to accept or decline the invitation. This may be because the invitation did not appear in your Inbox, but was routed to your Junk/SPAM folder by your particular email service. Do check. If you still cannot find it and you are interested, please contact me and we will make sure we have the correct e-mail address for you and reissue an invitation.

I had a training session with RNM this week which was very helpful. She taught me how to create our own sub-Library of materials specific to us and I look forward to setting it up in due course.

I was very touched by the generosity of spirit of RNM when I asked for clarification as to whom we may invite beyond our own parish family. Our monthly fee is based on the size of our congregation, but we are allowed to extend invitations to others we know. The heart of RNM is to spread the Gospel.

Anyone who signs up to an invitation issued by any of you, will be registered to our account. I can then encourage those who are not part of our parish to chat with their pastors about creating an account for their church which can then be customized to better suit their own parish.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

### HOW'S IT GOING?

Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, speaks of how our lives are "hidden with Christ." This beautiful image encourages us to be grateful and, with thankful hearts, to "sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to God."

Paul wrote this while he was in prison and was one who practiced what he preached. In Acts 16 we read how he and Silas were badly beaten, thrown in jail with their feet in stocks. And yet, at midnight, they were praying and singing praises to God.

Last weekend Peter Wetherall shared with us how faith in the Lord Jesus and the singing of praises to Him helps us through the tough times. Singing helps us focus on the hope that is ours in Christ Jesus both in this life and the world to come. His examples included the preacher and hymn writer John Newton (a former slave trader who wrote Amazing Grace after his conversion) and Blind Willie Nelson (a black man in the Southern US during oppressive segregation) and how their songs speak of the Christian hope in spite of life's difficulties. The old Negro spirituals that came out of the slave era are brilliant examples of this and can still lift our spirits in tough times.

When life is tough, what do you do?

May we all be encouraged to lift our voices in songs of praise, to count our blessings, to give thanks that our lives are hidden in Christ, and be thankful.

So, how's it going?

### ODD JOBS DONE - REASONABLE RATES

Gardening, lawn mowing, small painting jobs, tree cutting and trimming (chainsaw tickets), small carpentry work, fences etc. Contact Tony Woollett 768 4323 or 027 217 1271.

### FIRE EVACUATION SCHEME APPROVED BY FIRENZ SERVICE

At last we have our evacuation scheme approved, which has taken a few months of discussion and negotiation. There are some key requirements that we will need to follow through on.

1. About every six months we will need to have a trial evacuation of the church at one of our services. As we have four weekend services, it means that each service will only need the evacuation drill about once every two years.
2. About once every three or four years we need to have a refresher course for those in any leadership role in any of those four services, so that they know and understand their responsibilities during a fire drill.
3. We need to send a report after each evacuation to the Fire Service, giving the exact time it took to clear the buildings completely.

### Robin's thought.

We plan to have a training time of about one hour towards the end of January/early February 2020 for the service leaders. We will ensure we repeat the training so that folk have a choice of time to attend.

The first evacuation will take place before the end of March.

If you have any thoughts on any of the above, please chat to Robin.

### POTS FOR FAIR

NEEDED— small plastic pots (8 and 10 cm square pots) and 6 cell pots. These are for seedlings and plants for the fair. Please bring any you may have lying around that are surplus to need and put on the table in the back of the foyer. Many Thanks!

### UNAVAILABILITY DATES

If you serve on the weekend service roster, please forward your unavailability dates for 1 Nov 2019 - 29 Feb 2020 to Nicky at office@greymouthanglican.co.nz. Marge will

begin working on next roster after the school holidays. Many thanks for your prompt replies and your willingness to serve the church in this way.

### THE SHED OCTOBER CAMP

Please pray for Nicki Mora and her team as they complete the detailed planning for the camp that starts on Tuesday 8 October at Hanmer Springs. This is a major adventure, and we are thrilled that they can have their own camp this year, as the timing of the Diocesan Youth Camp was not suitable for Greymouth. Hopefully next year we will be able to join in again if the dates and timing can be adjusted to how they have been in past years.

### WITNESS MAGAZINES

Some great photos of the ordination of Bp Steve, as well as other interesting material. Available in the foyer.

### HOLY TRINITY FAIR

We are looking for helpers for this Year's fair. There are bound to be lots of changes from last year, so please make alterations on the sheet in the foyer, adding or deleting names.

### LEAK OVER CHURCH FRONT DOOR

CYB Construction spent Thursday removing the old flashing above the veranda roof and replacing it with new flashing. Our prayerful hope is that this solves a problem that has challenged us for many years. It was great to have our previous foreman working on the project, Tony Mesman.

### ESSETRICS APPRENTICE NEEDS YOUR HELP

Mandy Steele is training to be an instructor and requires 30hrs practical instructing to complete her apprenticeship. She will be holding 1hr sessions at the Red Cross (100 Tainui St) each Monday starting this Mon, Oct 7th, at 5.45pm. Essentrics is a lovely stretching and strengthening program for the whole body. It is gentle but effective. So for those of you who are already "Essentric" converts let others know of the benefits and encourage them to come along or if you are interested and want to give it a go, then please join Mandy. Wear comfortable clothes. Also, bring along a mat or towel and a thera-band (physio elastic) if you have one. The sessions are FREE. Contact Mandy (021 111 4647) with any queries.

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