

Monday		<i>Clergy day off</i>	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
14 Oct	1pm	Order of St Luke in Parish Centre	
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
Tuesday			
15 Oct	10am	Dixon House Devotions (Pat Cogger)	
	10.30am	Tuesday Friends in Parish Centre	
	12 noon	Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre	
	12.45pm	Pastoral Care Meeting in Parish Centre	
	6:30pm	3DM at 35 Karoro PI	
	3.30-6pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	7.30pm	Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St	
Wednesday			
16 Oct	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	11am	Hospital Chapel Service (Robin)	
	6pm	Young Adults Group at 35 Karoro Place	
	7.30pm	Robin's Home Group in Parish Centre	
Thursday			
17 Oct	9am	Bible in Schools (Launchpad) at Paroa School	
	12 noon	Ministers Association	
	3.30-7pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	5.30pm	Music Practice in Church	
	6-7.25pm	SOULFOOD at 35 Karoro Place with pizza provided	
	7pm	Vestry Meeting in Parish Centre	
Friday			
18 Oct	10am	Kids 'n Coffee	
	3.30-5.30pm	Crossroads Dance Group	
	7pm	The SHED Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd	
Sunday			
20 Oct	6.30pm	The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd	
	7pm	ALPHA Course in Parish Centre	

Services Next Weekend: 19 & 20 October 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 10am Morning Worship (Samara Martin)



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara

12 & 13 October 2019

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

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

Readings for this weekend:

Daniel 5:1-9 (p.1127); Matthew 14:22-33 (p.1244)

Prayer for the Day:

Almighty God, your love for us is so complete, that you want to be in relationship with us at all times. With the power of your Holy Spirit may you continue to get our attention for the betterment of our lives and those around us. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen

Theme for next weekend: Resilience Part 1: The desert experience - treasure it!

Readings for next weekend: Genesis 16:4-14; Mark 9:43-48

**PRAYER CALENDAR
WITH BIRTHDAYS 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.

JOHNSON'S SUPPORT - HELP NEEDED

The annual street racing event is coming up again on the Sunday of Labour Weekend, 27 Oct. We have an opportunity to earn money to support the Johnson family in Taiwan, by providing people to man 4 of the gates into the event. We have enough people for 3 gates so far. We need another 2 people for the 4th gate. This involves spending the day there, selling tickets as people come into the event. You are provided with lunch and a little cabin for shelter from the weather. If you would like to help, please ring Ian 022 100 6080 ASAP.

Prayer Requests to Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

Last week: Attendance: 109 Offertory: \$ 3,434 (Total needed: \$3,580)
Total donations received for 186 Main South Road Project so far: \$8,298
Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project in September: **\$3,135**
Donations received in October will be reported by mid-November

FLOWERS



Carol

CHURCH CLEANING



Janine Boote &
Judy Boland

CHURCH MOWING



Jim Findlay



Marge

Writes

A big thank you to

Ladies Guild for the new kneelers along the altar rail. Thank you, too, to Megan Wilkins who again

helped us with colour choice. They look stunning. The small cushion on the left end is temporary until a larger one is finished to fill in the gap.

Ladies Guild is a group of Holy Trinity women who meet each month on the first Tuesday at 2pm at the Parish Centre for fellowship, listening to an interesting speaker, and coming up with creative crafty ideas to raise money for helping with needed items around the church (e.g. the new kneelers). They also support other worthy causes. Whether or not you are skilled in a particular craft, the Ladies Guild would love to have you join them at their monthly meetings. There are many ways of being part of the fund-raising fun. If you would like to learn more, contact Paula Lister or Margaret Baillie.

I am writing this before leaving for Nelson for a Clergy Conference with Bishop Steve followed by Synod. Robin and I are both excited to hear more of our new bishop's heart and the vision he has for our diocese. I will give you some feedback in next week's column about how things went and key outcomes from Synod.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

Why do we worship God?

Is it to get help from God? Is it to ensure things go well for us in life? Is it to make sure we have eternal life? Is it to receive forgiveness of sins?

So often it is indeed for all of these reasons, and they are all legitimate. However, consider Job. After all the disastrous situations that occurred to him of animals stolen or killed, servants dying, and all his children killed in a freak accident, he knelt down and worshipped God. Why?

He knew and profoundly believed that God is the Creator of all. For this reason alone God is to be worshipped. More than that, Job knew that you get through troubles when you learn to praise God in all circumstances. We have a book in the library "Prison to Praise" that covers that idea perfectly.

Our life is like the TransAlpine from Ch-Ch to Greymouth. Smooth going to Springfield, then the Waimakariri river. Adventurous, exciting, but with tunnels. These represent the troubles in our life. In these times we sometimes forget that God is still with us. But the Waimakariri River (representing the Spirit of God) is still there. Finally we come to the Otira tunnel and no light at the end visible.

Corrie Ten Boom said, "When I come to such a tunnel, do I throw away my ticket, and get off the train? No, I stay seated and trust the DRIVER! We need to trust God, believing He is totally good. He helps us through.

So, how's it going?

PARISH FAIR - TRASH 'N TREASURE

In just 4 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. Items needed include kitchenware, books, furniture, manchester, clothing, toys, sports equipment, tools, etc - anything that's useful. We appreciate all donations and are glad that together we can also provide this service to the community.

PARISH FAIR HELPERS

The Fair is always such a fun time working together. We are looking for stall helpers for this year's Fair. There are bound to be lots of changes from last year, so please make alterations on the job sheet in the foyer, adding or deleting names.

BAKING FOR THE FAIR

We will also be needing contributions of baking for the very popular cake stall at the Fair. These can, of course, be made fresh nearer the time, or baked soon and frozen until needed.

LUNCH FOOD FOR THE FAIR

We need a variety of hot food to sell for lunches at the Fair. If you have an idea of something you would like to cook, 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!

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!

JOHNSON FAMILY NEWS

Simon and Helen have been prayerfully seeking God's direction for the next season of their lives and will be returning to NZ to work with OMF in a training and mentoring role in Auckland. Please pray for them as they pack up after six years of living in Taiwan, and deal with all the logistics of moving internationally again, and for suitable housing to be found for them in Auckland. They return on 16 November. Their newsletter with all the details can be read on the notice board in the foyer.

VESTRY AGENDA

Vestry will meet this Thursday at 7pm at the Parish Centre. Agenda will include -

- playground bark
- cleaning of church roof and walls
- 10 year maintenance plan
- church sign
- 2020 budget draft
- applications for Youth Worker Funding
- Zoom video service

WITNESS MAGAZINES

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

ESSENTRICS 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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