

Monday 20 Jan *Clergy day off Parish Office closed*

Tuesday 21 Jan *Marge and Robin on annual leave*
10am Dixon House Devotions (Janet or Carol)

Wednesday 22 Jan *Marge and Robin on annual leave*

Thursday 23 Jan *Marge and Robin on annual leave*
5:30pm 10am Music Practice in the Church

Friday 24 Jan *Marge and Robin on annual leave*
Nicky Hawes away—Parish Office closed

Saturday 25 Jan

Services Next Weekend: 25 & 26 January 2020

SATURDAY:
6pm Communion (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)

SUNDAY :
8am Holy Communion (Quiet & reflective, no music. Finishes by 8.50am)
10am Family Communion (Songs and hymns)
2pm Holy Communion

KUMARA NO SERVICE

OASIS RESTART - FEB 9 AT 10AM

The first term's theme is "Royalty" as the kids will look at many kings and queens of the Old Testament culminating in Jesus. The team is excited and ready to go. Parents, please make every effort to regularly bring your children as this is an important part of their discipleship journey.

Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
18 & 19 January 2020
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: What do you think makes a good Anglican?

Readings for this weekend: Amos 5:21-24 (p 1166); John 4:19-26 (p 1367)

Prayer for the Day: Holy God, we thank you for calling us to minister in this part of your church. Empower us to be faithful disciples, open, obedient, compassionate and servant-hearted. Help us to be accepting of others, yet also clear about what we believe. May our beliefs be based on the teachings in the Bible, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Foundlings

Readings for next weekend: Exodus 2:1-10; Galatians 4:4-7

TRIAL FIRE EVACUATION

As mentioned in last week, we will be required by the Fire Service to hold a formal evacuation trial at one of our services in February or March this year.

Details of what everyone needs to know will be given in a few weeks time. However, those with key responsibilities such as Oasis leaders, sidespeople and Worship Leaders at any of our four weekend services have special responsibilities if there is a fire or a trial evacuation.

It is very important that each of these people learn of the key points and what they need to do if they are involved when it happens. There will be two one hour sessions so that everyone can attend one of them at a time that suits them in early February.

The seminars will be in the Parish Centre

Sunday 9 February at 7:30pm—8:30pm

Sunday 16 February 11:45am—12:45pm

ALTAR CANDLESTICKS

We have had no word that our old ones will ever be recovered and returned to us, after they were stolen in August last year. The candlesticks we are now using are designed for candles half the width of what the former sticks used. We want to use up the wider candles, but this requires tapering them severely to fit into the current candlesticks.

Therefore, please use care when extinguishing the candles with the snuffer to avoid knocking them as they are not as secure as before. Hopefully, we will be able to use up the wider stock (of which we have 12 left) and then we will purchase the tall beeswax candles of the appropriate width. Don't panic if a candle is knocked out, it won't hurt anything.

If this doesn't work satisfactorily, will get the correct candles of the correct width sooner rather than later.

Last Weekend: Attendance: 99 ; Offertory: 3,546 (Total needed: \$3,625)
 Total donations received for 186 Main South Rd Project so far: \$15,628
 Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project in December: \$2,025
 Donations received in January will be reported by mid February

FLOWERS



Helen & Jeanette

CHURCH CLEANING



Julie Ritchie
 Julie Williams

CHURCH MOWING



Dave Lankshear



Marge This week Robin and I will be **Writes** away for a much needed short break. We will be back in time for next weekend's services.

I want to encourage you to take up the free subscription to the RightNow Media library resources if you haven't already. I noticed that many of the invitations I sent out have not been taken up and I want to remind you that this can be a brilliant resource for you, your family and your home groups. A number of folk have told me how much they are appreciating the material.

Don't forget that many of the studies come with free downloadable study guides that can be printed out for personal or small group use.

If you or your small group leader wants any assistance, please do not hesitate to ask. I will also be building some "channels" over the next few weeks that will be personal to our parish with some suggestions on different topics.

With love and blessings,

Marge

HOW'S IT GOING?

The baptism of Jesus teaches us a lot about His ministry, and also the implications for us.

Question 1: Why was Jesus baptised in water, when John's baptism was for the forgiveness of sins? After all, Jesus was sinless!

Right from the start of Jesus' ministry He was carrying the sin of the world. That is why He went to the cross. It was His ministry for all of the three years.

Question 2: Did Jesus baptise anyone with water?

No. In John 4 it specifically says that Jesus baptised no-one, only His disciples did.

Question 3: Since Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit from the moment of conception, why did the Holy Spirit come upon Him at His baptism

Until that time Jesus was not involved with ministry, though He could have been. However, this was an anointing to set him free in the supernatural.

Question 4: When did Jesus start baptising with the Holy Spirit and with fire?

At Pentecost. This was when the disciples were first filled with the Holy Spirit.

Question 5: How are we set free and anointed for supernatural ministry?

By asking Jesus to fill us with His Holy Spirit, even though we have been baptised and have the Holy Spirit within us. This doesn't usually happen naturally. We have to ask.

So, have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? If not, chat to Robin or Marge.

ALPHA COURSE 2020

We were very pleased with the way that running Alpha on a Sunday evening worked out in 2019 and so will be offering it again beginning on Sunday, 16 February through to the end of May. Brochures available in the gold Christmas newsletters and on the table in the foyer. Be praying about who you might invite.

SHARING YOUR FAITH

Being able to share our faith is something we all know we should be able to do, but often do not feel confident.

Dave Mann (coordinator of The Hope Project) is gifted in helping people learn how to share their faith. Cobden Anglican Church is hosting Dave Mann on June 5-6. This event is open to all the churches in Greymouth. The seminar will run Friday evening (5 June) and during the day on Saturday (6 June). Dave will also be preaching at Cobden and Runanga churches on Sunday (June 7).

I would encourage you to seriously consider putting this in your diary. It will included in our 2020 Parish Event Calendar to come out later this month.

HUTSON FAMILY

Shaun and Sharon have sent through a new newsletter. A copy is available for you to read on the Missions Board in the Foyer.

WHEN ARE SOME OF OUR GROUPS RESTARTING?

Most of the Home Groups and monthly meetings begin in early February, after the Waitangi Day celebrations.

In particular:

Inner Healing Training Seminars

These monthly meetings in the Parish Centre are on the second Tuesday of each month from 7.30pm to 9pm, starting Tuesday 11 February. These are open to anyone who wants to grow in this area of ministry.

Robin's Home Group

Starts on Wednesday 12th February at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. This is open to anyone who wants to study the Bible and grow in faith.

Lavers' Home Group

Starts on Wed 12th Feb at 7.30pm meeting on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month.

Tricia & David's Group

Likely start date is Monday 17th February at 7.30pm

Hawes' Home Group

Starting on Tuesday 11 February at 7pm, meeting on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month

Marjorie's Home Group

Provisional start date is Tuesday 11th February at 7.30pm.

STAGE ROOM OFF THE HALL

This room is used for the storage of Kids 'n Coffee items, Old Time Dancing equipment, Rose Society paraphernalia, Poutini Waiora weekly exercise materials, ladders, and various other pieces of equipment used by regular users of our hall.

As a result we are trying to avoid children having fun pulling out Kids 'n Coffee equipment, and leaving a shambles. We have also had some materials belonging to other groups go missing.

Therefore, we have put a bolt at the top of the door, easily reached by adults. We request that the room is used only by those whose equipment is stored there, and only those authorized to use the equipment do so.

Of course, if a production is taking place on the stage, then the room will need to be used for stage access, but we ask that adults supervise children carefully.

EASTER INSTALLATIONS AT COBDEN

Cobden-Runanga Anglican Parish are getting creative and are inviting people from the different churches to contribute installations around the theme of Easter. These can be static works of art such as sculpture, paintings, or photos Or these could be interactive, musical, or whatever. We will install these at the Church of the Resurrection in Cobden over Holy week and work around the installations for our various services. The community will be invited to come and visit. Contact Tim Mora 768 9605 or timhora@xtra.co.nz if interested.

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