

Monday 16 Mar *Marge and Robin at Lake Rotoiti for Training Seminar*
Parish Office closed
1pm OSL in Parish Centre
1pm Elder CARE Afternoon Tea
7.30pm **Tricia & David's Home Group at 359 Main South Rd**

Tuesday 17 Mar *Marge and Robin at Lake Rotoiti for Training Seminar*
10am Dixon House Devotions (Julie)
11.45am!! Tuesday Friends Meet for lunch at the Bonzai
(NEXT STUDY will be Tuesday 31 March)
NO!! Pastoral Care or Prayer Meeting
(Clergy away at Lake Rotoiti)
7.30pm Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St

Wednesday 18 Mar *Marge and Robin at Lake Rotoiti for Training Seminar Back by 6pm*
6pm Marge's Young Adults at 35 Karoro Pl
7.30pm Robin's Home group in Parish Centre

Thursday 19 Mar
12 noon Minister's Association at St Patrick's
5.30pm Music practice in Church
7.30pm Vestry meeting in Parish Centre

Friday 20 Mar
10am Kids 'n' Coffee
7pm The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd

Saturday 21 March

Sunday 22 Mar 7pm Alpha in Parish Centre

Services Next Weekend: 21 & 22 March 2020

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 Afternoon Worship

KUMARA No service

16 Feb-24 May—ALPHA (Sundays 7pm)
1-2 Apr—Raffle Days at New World
4 Apr—Mini Fair 9:30-11:30am
4-13 Apr—Holy Week (services TBC)
5-6 June—Dave Mann Seminars at Cobden
20 June—Thanksgiving Social (7.30pm)
July—Marge & Robin on Annual Leave
1 Aug—Promise Keepers in CHCH
Oct 15-17—Synod at Blenheim South
11-12 Nov—Raffle Days at New World
13-15 Nov—Weekend Visit of Bp Steve
14 Nov—Parish Fair
2 Dec—Community Carols at Regent (7pm)
13 Dec—Children's Nativity Play (10am)
20 Dec—Lessons & Carols
24/25—Christmas Services

Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS
 Jeanette & Rose

CHURCH CLEANING
 Deb Eatwell & Hilda van Wyk

CHURCH MOWING
 Dave Lankshear



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
14 & 15 March 2020
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: Lenten Series 3: What are you Dragging Around?
Readings for this weekend:
Hebrews 12:1-3 (p.1571); Matthew 19:16-30 (p.1252)

Prayer for the Day: Lord, we do find it so hard to deal with the things that hold us back, whether it be our love of money, our feelings of guilt, or the bad things that have happened to us in the past. Give us the courage to tackle the tough times as we exercise forgiveness. This is only possible through you, Jesus. Please empower and encourage us to become free, to your glory. Amen

Theme for next weekend: Continuing Adventures
Readings for next weekend: Galatians 5:16-26: Matthew 5:1-12

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES
For those using the offertory envelope system for their giving, the next six months instalment of envelopes are ready to be collected. Please take your named set from the foyer.
If anyone would like to change over from envelopes to automatic payments, please contact Nicky in the Parish Office to arrange this.
If you are on envelopes or automatic payments you will receive a receipt towards the end of April that will enable you to receive back a third of your giving total from IRD.

VESTRY MEETING THIS THURSDAY
Parish Centre at 7.30pm
Agenda items:

- Trailer and tools
- Lounge Roof - health & safety

- Easter discussions continued
- Election of four nominators in case the need arises (hopefully not) to appoint a new vicar
- Clergy report from Training Seminar
- Fire evacuation report

WEST COAST CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION
This trust lends money at no interest to people in hardship who are willing to work with a budget adviser. An excerpt from one email this week (after we returned \$51 over payment).
"I am absolutely stoked to receive this from you! I was actually only praying yesterday about an extra \$50 to get me through to payday and then this arrived. God is so Good!! I wasn't a Christian 5 years ago, so I wasn't as grateful as I am today, as I am now a Christian.. Thank you so very very much."

Last Weekend: Attendance: 133 Offertory: \$3,499 (Total needed: \$3,625)
Total donations received for 186 Main South Rd Project so far: \$18,259
Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project in January: \$2,631
Donations received in February will be reported by mid March



Marge T h e Mawhera Writes

Minister's Association agreed at last month's meeting that our churches would assist in getting this year's Easter Hope Project booklets into the letterboxes of our community. The booklets will be arriving next week and we will look to begin distributing them over the following week or two. Each church has signed up for a particular neighbourhood. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to assist with the Holy Trinity's distribution. Depending on the number of volunteers, will determine what addresses each volunteer will be asked to cover. If this is something you would like to help with, please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Robin and I will be attending the Diocesan Leadership Conference this week which will be looking at the very questions that we as a parish are pondering, namely—

- What is the biggest mission opportunity in the parish?
- What is the biggest challenge missionally?
- What does the parish need to learn to address the opportunity?
- What gift would transform the impact of the church?

Please pray for Robin and I as we listen and

learn from others who are further along this journey and that we will see ways to effectively bring what we've learned back to the parish.

With love and blessings,

Marge

HOW'S IT GOING?

Just because something pops into our heads doesn't mean it should come out of our mouths.

The Scriptures teach us to be very careful about what we say AND how we say things. But, however hard we try, things slip out that shouldn't have. How often we say something like, "I'm sorry, I didn't really mean to say that."

Jesus, however, teaches us that actually we did mean it because it is "out of the fullness of the heart that the mouth speaks" (Matt 12:34). In other words, we may regret what we said or how we said it, but we really can't say we didn't mean it. The attitudes of our heart (what we really think/feel) will eventually find their way to our lips.

So, it is not enough to muzzle our mouths, we need the Holy Spirit to change our hearts. May our prayer be that of the Psalmist—

"May the words of my mouth and the attitudes of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer" (Psalm 19:14).

So, how's it going?

CONGRATULATIONS TO JEREMY AND SAMARA MARTIN

In a joyous celebration Jeremy and Samara were married in Holy Trinity Church on Saturday and will then be disappearing off on a honeymoon.

ERRATUM

We apologise for the misprint in the list of the new vestry last weekend. Dave Lankshear's name was omitted and Wayne Lorimer's was recorded twice.

JOHNSON'S CHANGE OF ACCOUNT

For those who are independently supporting Simon and Helen Johnson, please note that because they are now working for OMF on the NZ Home Side, donations towards their support are eligible for a tax rebate receipt. To be eligible for this, donations need to be direct credited to a different bank account. The bank account for their donations is now: 03-0104-0415462-00 OMF NZ Homeside Trust. Please keep the same reference details as previously.

ACC GRANT

We are very thankful to the Anglican Care Committee for a grant of \$5,000 towards our Youth Worker salary and travel for this year.

LOTTERY COMMUNITY GRANT

We are very grateful to the Lottery Community for a grant of \$10,000 towards our Youth Worker salary for this year.

RAFFLE TABLE

We have two days booked at New World for a raffle table before the Mini-Fair and we are needing people to help by taking a turn to man the table. If you can help on Wednesday 1 April or Thursday 2 April, please write your name in your preferred time slot on the sheet in the foyer. Thank you.

MINI-FAIR HELPERS NEEDED

This year the Ladies Guild need a few extra helpers on their stalls at the Mini-Fair on Saturday morning 4 April. They sell crafts, baking, preserves and vegetables in the Trinity Lounge. If you would like to help, please contact Paula 768 0106.

MINI-FAIR SETUP

Anyone who is available on Friday afternoon 3 April would be most welcome to come and help set up for the Mini-Fair.

MINI-FAIR ON 4 APRIL

The Mini-Fair is on Saturday 4 April this year. If you have any saleable goods you would like to donate, they can be dropped off in the Parish Centre garage at any time. **NO CLOTHING, MANCHESTER or TVs.** This is a good chance to have a clean-out before winter. Donations of baking, preserves and home grown vegetables would also be much appreciated. These can be left at the Parish Centre in the week before the Mini-Fair. Thank you very much.

TUESDAY FRIENDS

Tuesday Friends will have their normal 5th Tuesday social **THIS TUESDAY at 11:45am at the BONZAI** and then a study on the 31st. This is because Marge and Robin have to be away this week for a Diocesan Conference.

AAW MAWHERA DEANERY

Westport are hosting the Nelson Diocese AAW Annual Meeting on 27-28 March. Cobden-Runanga and Greymouth Parishes have been asked to provide biscuits, slices and loaves for morning and afternoon tea. We are expecting 50-60 people. I can take up any contributions. Lesta Smithson - Leader Ph 762 7826.

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO CARE FOR THREE BOYS

Ché Norris has three boys, Simon (13) Nathan (9) and Joel (6) whom he is looking after on his own. He wants to attend a fortnightly support group on a Wednesday night from 6.45pm to 9.15pm. He is looking for one or two people who could babysit for him. If you think you might be able to help, either occasionally or on a regular fortnightly basis, please chat to Robin.

BUDGET COURSE

There were no people at the course. However, if you would like individual help, please chat to Robin.

ADJUSTED CANDLESTICK HOLDERS

Our grateful thanks to Laurie Boot, assisted by Allan Devine of Devine Engineering for developing two new tops to the candlestick holders so that they can hold the larger candles. The polished brass fittings are so good that it is hard to tell that they are not part of the original design. They are being consecrated at the Saturday 6pm service.

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