

**Greymouth & Kumara Anglican Parish**  
**Lockdown Newsletter 9**  
**23/24 May 2020 – Alert Level 2**

**MARGE WRITES**

The government announced on Monday (25<sup>th</sup> May) that, beginning this weekend, we will be able to gather at our places of worship up to a maximum of 100 people per service as long as the physical distancing, contact tracing, hand sanitising, and other protocols set out for Alert Level 2 are followed.

I have laid out below what those protocols will look like for us when we return to our Greymouth site this weekend (30/31 May). Kumara will recommence services on 7 June and will follow similar protocols. The specifics for Kumara will be sent out to those concerned separately.

It will be lovely gathering with you in person again as we worship our Lord together.

Some of you will not yet be able to attend physically, and so we are working on a means to offer one ZOOM service (Saturday 6pm) during Alert Level 2. If you want to have the link for that service, please contact me by Friday so I know to send you that link.

With love and blessings,

*Marge*

**THIS COMING WEEKEND'S SERVICES (30/31 MAY 2020)**

Our Greymouth worship services this coming weekend will return to our normal times and place (Saturday: 6pm; Sunday: 8am, 10am, 2pm).

Weekend Theme: Pentecost – The Church has Left the Building

Weekend Readings: Acts 2:1-21, 41-42; John 7:37-39

**Please note that OASIS Children's program will recommence on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Please note that Kumara services will recommence on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June at 10am.**

**HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR WORSHIPPING AT HOLY TRINITY GREYMOOUTH DURING ALERT LEVEL 2 (specifics for various roles will be sent to persons concerned)**

- Entrance will only be through the main door on Tainui St.
- Please note that no handshaking, hugs or hongi are allowed at this alert level—smiles and waves are permitted without restriction ☺
- Please queue along the veranda and ramp keeping 1m distance between yourself and the person ahead of you. Masking tape markings will be used to assist with spacing.
- Once in the foyer, please maintain 1m distancing, sanitise hands, tell the sidesperson your name who will tick your name with contact details on a list, collect a newsletter (if it is an A4 size, you will have to fold it yourself). No service cards will be used at Alert Level 2 (everything will be projected onto the screen)
- Enter the church and deposit your offering in the receptacle provided, and find a seat
  - Please only sit where there is a cushion in place. These have been placed to ensure 1m distancing
  - Please do not move cushions closer together unless you are sitting with people who are part of your household
- At Communion—
  - a sidesperson will indicate to rows when they can come forward
  - maintain 1m distancing (tape marks will be present in the centre aisle to guide)
  - Communion will be served from the chancel steps
  - Only bread will be served
  - Return to your seat using the side aisles
- The Kitchen is essentially closed during this time, so if you anticipate needing drinking water during the service, please bring your personal water bottle.
- Use of Toilets—
  - Access to toilets from door by organ

- After using the toilet and washing your hands
  - spray the toilet seat, cistern buttons and sink taps with the disinfectant.
  - Wait 30 seconds.
  - Wipe toilet seat with toilet paper and flush down toilet
  - Wipe sink taps and cistern buttons with paper towel and dispose in rubbish bin
- After the service—
  - feel free to chat to people keeping 1m distancing, but please do not hinder cleaning team doing their sanitising work in between services
  - no morning or afternoon teas during Alert Level 2
  - please do not leave newsletter behind
  - you may use either the Tainui St or Frickleton St doors to exit

### **OPENING HOURS FOR GREYMOUTH CHURCH BUILDINGS AT ALERT LEVEL 2**

Parish Centre: 9am – 1pm Tues – Fri; By appointment with Marge or Robin outside these times.

Church: Open ONLY during scheduled weekend worship.

Hall & Lounge: Only booked events will have access to Hall or Lounge. They will remain locked otherwise. No access to rest of the church complex via the Hall or Lounge.

### **GREYMOUTH ROSTERS**

Services – will recommence 30/31 May. Please check the roster and let Marge or Robin know if you will not be available. Please note that roles involving chalice, glasses, or morning/afternoon tea will not function during Alert Level 2. Other roles may be modified and volunteers will be notified of changes.

Church Cleaning - will recommence June 1st. Cleaning team to arrange with Marge or Robin for access to the church. Special protocols will be sent to volunteers.

Lawn Mowing - will recommence June 1<sup>st</sup>. Special protocols will be sent to volunteers.

10am Music Team - practice will resume on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm. Special protocols will be sent to volunteers

Flower Roster - will recommence week of June 1<sup>st</sup> (for 6/7 June weekend). Volunteers to arrange with Marge or Robin for access to the church. Special protocols will be sent to volunteers.

### **UNIQUE STUDY EXPERIENCE: GOING DEEP WITH REVELATION – FINAL SESSION**

Andrew Burgess, Dean of Bishopdale Theological College in Nelson, is hosting a weekly online teaching event for Nelson Diocese and all interested folk.

The series has been excellent and the final session is this Wednesday at 7pm via ZOOM.

**Go to [www.bishopdale.ac.nz](http://www.bishopdale.ac.nz) and then click on REVELATION SERIES in the top menu to view the first two teachings. The ZOOM link for the live session this Wednesday is the same as previous weeks. If you need Marge to send it again, please contact her at [margetefft@xtra.co.nz](mailto:margetefft@xtra.co.nz).**

### **THANK YOUS**

Special thank you to Dave Lankshear for clearing all of the leaves that had gathered outside the church during Alert Levels 3 and 4. Also, a big thank you to Roy Munn for installing a lock on one of our internal church doors to give us the capability of preventing folk from the Hall wandering into the church when no one is present to oversee sanitising and contact tracing protocols. And thanks to Christina Veale, Dot Wilkins, and Ian & Nicky Hawes for their reading and intercessions in last weekend's ZOOM church services.

### **HELP WITH SANITISING SURFACES BETWEEN SERVICES**

When we are allowed to gather again for worship services, we are required to sanitise all “high touch points” (e.g. pews, door handles, light switches, etc) in between each service. Please consider if you could be available to assist with this following the service you normally attend. If so, please ring the Parish Office or send an email to [office@greymouthanglican.co.nz](mailto:office@greymouthanglican.co.nz).

### **UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

The Parish Calendar for 2020 has had to undergo modifications since the onset of the COVID-19 crisis. A number of events are now changed –

- The Dave Mann event scheduled for 5/6 June at Cobden Church is now cancelled.
- The Parish Social Evening scheduled for 20 June is now postponed until restrictions are lifted to permit a gathering envisioned by the organisers.

### **HOME GROUPS**

Home Group leaders have been informed of the Alert Level 2 protocols that must be followed if a Home Group is to recommence meeting physically. Some groups are choosing to continue using ZOOM, some are waiting for Level 1 before recommencing, and some are considering recommencing at a larger venue (e.g. Church Lounge). Check with your home group leader to find out what is happening for your particular group.

**Roger Lavers' Home Group** will resume meeting at 18c Serpentine Rd this Wednesday 27 May at 7.30pm.

**Robin's Wednesday Night Study Group** will recommence on 3 June at 7:30pm in the Church Lounge. Please note that no refreshments will be served during Alert Level 2.

### **CONTACT DETAILS FOR MARGE & ROBIN & NICKY**

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