

Monday 1 Jun Public Holiday Queen's Birthday Parish Office closed

Tuesday 2 Jun

Wednesday 3 Jun 12 noon Dixon House Trust Board Meeting in Trinity Lounge
7.30pm Robin's Home group in Trinity Lounge

Thursday 4 Jun 5.30pm Music practice in Church

Friday 5 Jun

Services Next Weekend: 6 & 7 June 2020

SATURDAY:

6pm Communion (Prayer Book, Hymns, Reflective)

SUNDAY :

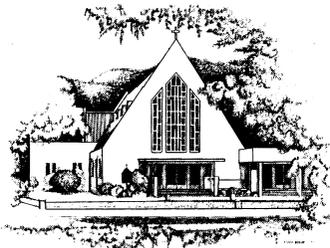
8am Holy Communion (Quiet & reflective, no music. Finishes by 8.50am)

10am Oasis (7-11yr olds) & Sunday School (4-7yr olds) in Trinity Hall

10am Family Communion (Songs and hymns)

2pm Holy Communion

KUMARA 10am Extended Holy Communion



Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS



Paula & Liz

CHURCH CLEANING

Anne Bernard & Tricia Hird



CHURCH MOWING

Lewis Bell




Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
30 & 31 May 2020
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: Pentecost - The Church has Left the Building

Readings for this weekend: Acts 2:1-18, 41-42; John 7:37-39

Prayer for the Day: Holy Spirit of God, blowing through creation: no door can keep you out. Unlock our hearts, breathe on us anew; that we may speak God's words of life. With the Father and the Son, you live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: The Holy Trinity

Readings for next weekend: Galatians 5:22-26; John 16:12-15

THANK YOU

Thank you to Nicky Hawes with helping us prepare for all the sanitization regimen, and for preparing signage, to Dave Lankshear for putting the 1m spacing marks on the outside veranda and ramp, to Robin for putting the 1m spacing marks in the church, to Roy for getting the lock in place on the door from Hall to Lounge.

- **I Still Believe**—currently playing at the Greymouth Regent. This film is based on the true story of American Contemporary Christian song-writer/performer who wrestles with his faith in the face of personal tragedy.
- **The Chosen**—currently showing on YouTube and through The Chosen app. This is was originally a TV series that is a faithful adaption of stories in the Gospels. Familiar Gospel characters are given full lives, and Sunday school stories are given new, exciting contexts. Some creative new stories are imagined as well, such as when Jesus practices his teaching on children.

For a more complete review go to: <https://www.movieguide.org/tv/the-chosen>

MOVIE RECOMMENDATIONS

The following come as recommendations from some of our parishioners—

Last Weekend: ZOOM Attendance: 87 Offertory: \$2,047 (Total needed: \$3,625)
Total donations received for 186 Main South Rd Project so far: \$22,522
Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project in March & April: \$4,263
Donations received in May will be reported by mid June



Marge Writes

How great to be able to gather together again for our weekends worship services. I've appreciated what technology was able to provide to us in the form of ZOOM and email (and snail mail) in order to keep us connected. And I want to keep asking how we can use technology to best serve our parish and its mission. However, nothing beats getting to be together in person.

What a fantastic day to get to re-gather—PENTECOST—the birthday of the Church. In so many ways it feels like we are being reborn after 9 weeks of Lockdown.

Perhaps many of you have made some decisions to not let life just go back to the way it was. I know for me, that I so appreciated the quiet and lessening of pollution during the Lockdown. I decided that I wanted to take some steps to further reduce my carbon footprint. Easy to do when we could only use the car to access essential services. And then Level 2 came and suddenly I was caught up in the same rhythms. A change of mindset is only a first step; real change happens when there is a change in behaviour. So today I asked myself again what can I change about my patterns to reduce my carbon emissions.

But I am also thinking about our parish. Do we just want to go back to the way things were before March 25th? It would certainly

be easy. Or did Jesus, the Lord of the Church, use the Lockdown to prove to us that we can do things differently. The question is will we have the courage to join Jesus on a new mission adventure if it means doing some things differently?

Scary thoughts. Exciting thoughts. And, I am beginning to believe deep in my soul, Holy Spirit thoughts.

May we come to this celebration of Pentecost with the expectation that the Holy Spirit will fill us afresh and may we be open to following Jesus on His mission into His world trusting the Spirit to equip us and empower us.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offerings have been down over the last nine weeks without a means for those who give via envelopes or cash to bring their gifts. Also, we have not received any rental from hall use during this time. And some people have had to adjust their giving in light of the economic down turn.

HOWEVER, the diocese was eligible for the 12 week government wage subsidy and so we have not had any difficulty meeting our wages and bills over the last nine weeks. At present we are still on track to pay off the mortgage on 186 Main S Road at the end of October and cover the large maintenance items as well.

Vestry is very grateful for the financial commitment of parishioners at this time, but fully understand if adjustments need to be made because of the challenging financial times the world is now facing.

RESTART DATES FOR GROUPS

As we move through level 2 and into level 1, various groups are planning to restart their meetings at different stages.

AAW Fellowship Group	28 July (if level 1)
Kids n Coffee	not until further notice
Ladies Guild	7 July (if level 1)
Parish Health Advisor	1 July
Tuesday Friends	Level 1
Tues noon Prayer Meeting	Level 1
Pastoral Care	Level 1
Robin's Home Group	3 June
Lavers' Home Group	27 May

If your group is not listed above, please get in touch with your group leader for details.

WORD FOR TODAY

The Word for Today devotional booklets for May, June, July are available in the foyer. Please help yourself. A gold coin donation in the offering basket would be appreciated to help cover costs.

OUR DAILY BREAD

The Our Daily Bread devotional booklets for June, July, August are available in the foyer. Please help yourself. A gold coin donation in the offering basket would be appreciated to help cover costs.

HOW'S IT GOING?

In Luke 15:1-7, Jesus tells the parable of the shepherd who leaves 99 sheep safely in the sheep fold to go out and save the 1 that got lost and rejoicing when he found it. Then Jesus said, "In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine who do not need to repent."

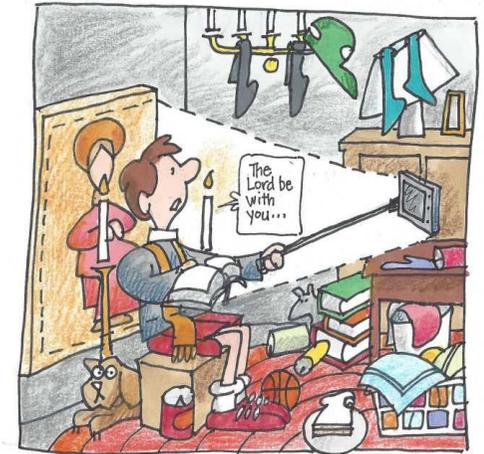
Dr. Anita Eastlack presented a seminar that Marge & Robin attended via ZOOM during lockdown. We were profoundly challenged by this statement—

If our church devotes 51% or more of our efforts to the 1 vs the 99, then it will put us on the trajectory of thriving and continuous rejoicing. If the 99 get more effort than the 1, our church will be on the trajectory to decline.

What about you? Do these words challenge you? Can you hear Jesus speaking through these words? Pray about them. I am sure they will become part of future parish discussions.

FUNNIES

Those who were able to join in our ZOOM services over the last nine weeks know that we always began with some Social Distancing/Lockdown humour. As we move into a more normal way of life, we thought it would be fun to remember how worship and business was conducted from home. Thanks to Nicky Hawes for finding these—



THE PRIEST CARVES OUT SACRED SPACE AT HOME IN ORDER TO RECORD LITURGY FOR SUNDAY.



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TOILET SANITISING

After further consultation with others providing public toilets, we have altered our previously published protocols for use of the toilets during services. Please sanitise your hands before entering toilet (sanitiser on bench outside toilets). Toilets and taps will be sanitised after each service.

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