

Monday  
20 July  
1-3pm Marge & Robin on annual leave Parish Office closed  
Elder CARE afternoon tea in Trinity Lounge  
1.30pm OSL in Parish Centre  
3.30pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall  
7.30pm Tricia & David's Home Group at 359 Main South Rd

Tuesday  
21 Jul  
10am Marge & Robin on annual leave  
Dixon House Devotions (Janet Haddock)  
10.30am Tuesday Friends in Parish Centre  
6.30pm Marjorie's Home Group Pot Luck Dinner at 9 Heaphy St  
7.15pm Hawes' Home Group Zoom meeting

Wednesday  
22 Jul  
2pm Marge & Robin on annual leave  
AAW meeting at Cobden Anglican  
7.30pm Lavers' Home Group at 18c Serpentine Rd

Thursday  
23 Jul  
3.30pm Marge & Robin on annual leave  
Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall  
5.30pm 10am Music Practice

Friday  
24 Jul  
10am Marge & Robin on annual leave  
Kids n Coffee  
7pm The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd

**Services Next Weekend: 25 & 26 July 2020**

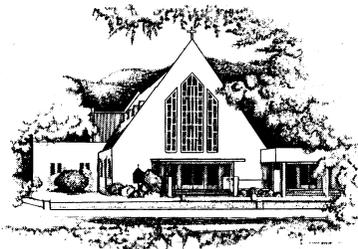
**SATURDAY:**

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  
6.30pm The Way Youth Service at The Shed 186 Main South Rd

**KUMARA No Service**



Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

**FLOWERS**



Carol Reedy

**CHURCH CLEANING**

Dot & Norm Wilkins



**CHURCH MOWING**

Jim Findlay



**Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara  
18 & 19 July 2020**

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

**Theme for this weekend:** A Most Excellent Dinner Party

**Readings for this weekend:**

Colossians 3:12-17 (p.1532); Luke 7:36-50 (p.1322)

**Prayer for the Day:**

**Thank You Lord, that Your Spirit indwells me and invites me into Your way of doing things. Lead me to Your feet, Lord, and use me as an invitation for others to join me there. Amen.**

Theme for next weekend: Repairs and Maintenance

Readings for next weekend: 2 Corinthians 5:11-21; Luke 6:27-45

**THANK YOU**

A huge thanks to Graeme Howard for testing all of the electrical leads in the church and hall for our annual health and safety inspection. Also, a big thank you to Robin for using a Rug Doctor to clean all of the chairs in the hall and lounge, and most of the older carpeting.

others about Kids n Coffee and encourage them to come along.

**CLERGY ON ANNUAL LEAVE**

Marge and Robin are on annual leave until Tues 4 August. Many thanks to our lay preachers who will be speaking at each of our services over this time and everyone who will be assisting during this time throughout the parish.

**KIDS N COFFEE**

Kids n Coffee will be starting up again this Friday, 24 July. This is a great opportunity for parents and caregivers to bring along their preschool children and enjoy a range of play experiences whilst having fellowship with other adults. It runs from 10-11.30am each Friday during term time. Please tell

Either Marge or Robin will be present at each of the Greymouth weekend services as clergy cover was not able to be obtained due to COVID-19. However, if you have pastoral needs during this time, please contact one of the wardens: Diana Fensom 768 4942 or Jacquie Jones 768 4603 in the first instance.

Last Weekend Attendance: 124

Offertory: \$3,657 (Weekly Total needed: \$3,625)

Total donations received for 186 Main South Rd Project so far: \$27,280

Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project in June: \$2,278

Donations received in July will be reported by mid August

### **UPDATING PARISH DIRECTORY**

It is time to update the parish directory. There is a copy in the foyer. **Please check to see that the details applying to you are correct. If they are, please tick it.** If there is an error, please amend it.

### **PROMISE KEEPERS**

PK is on again this year in Christchurch on Saturday 1 August. See brochure on notice board or their website for details.

### **SOUP AND TOAST**

Stephen Brittenden has a vision for a ministry of "Soup & Toast". It's a simple idea that has great potential of engaging with people at the point of their need.

The idea is to serve soup and toast once a week at the church lounge. Two people will be needed to assist Stephen in the kitchen each week and others will be needed to chat at the tables with those who come. We are believing that over time some meaningful conversations may be had.

At the moment, the plan is to begin sometime in early August and probably on Wednesdays.

If you are interested in committing to this vision, please contact Stephen (762 6265).

### **PARISH THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION** **Saturday 15 August at 7.30pm**

An evening of food, fun and fellowship, celebrating our life together as a parish. This is not a concert. However, various items of entertainment will be provided by some of us for us, and plenty of opportunities to chat. There will be the opportunity for dancing (get

excited folks!)

Hot beverages will be provided, but please bring any other beverages of your choice (wine, beer, etc.) and **finger food to share**. Please be encouraged to bring friends if you wish.

### **OPERATION COVER-UP**

Operation Cover up Greymouth has been running for around 15 years or longer now and sadly but realistically needs a new volunteer coordinator to oversee collection and baling of hand knitted articles to send to Eastern Europe once a year. Someone prepared to organize and support knitters, source new and used wool and collect knitting from knitters. Fund raising also to pay shipping costs about \$500. Mission Without Borders ships and distributes the knitting to various countries in Eastern Europe in time for Christmas. Baling in July come and have a look at what we do! Contact Nolene Millar phone 768 4638 if interested. The sad truth is that if no-one comes to the fore then the ministry may have to shut down. Please prayerfully consider this.

### **MARJORIE'S HOME GROUP**

Marjorie's Home Group will be meeting to share a pot luck dinner together at 6.30pm this Tuesday 21 July, at 9 Heaphy St.

### **THE END OF LIFE CHOICE ACT**

Rev. Dr Graham O'Brien will be speaking at a public meeting on August 8th at 7:30pm at Cobden Anglican Church on this topic. Be informed before you vote in the referendum and know what you are voting for. See the noticeboard in the foyer for details.

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**Parish Health Advisor:** Marjorie Newcombe, Ph/Fax 03 768 7299

**Kumara Verger:** Joe Payn 736 9960; **Other Kumara Contact:** Nikki Davies 027 308 4584

### **MISSIONARY FAMILY** **URGENT PRAYER NEEDED**

***Please keep our missionary family in Central Asia in your prayers during the covid-19 outbreak.*** They say:

Unfortunately the situation here has gone from bad to worse, with an explosion of new cases, over 500 a day that are reported, and we know the real figure is significantly higher. They are only testing people who present with severe symptoms - others are being told to go home. Even so, the health system is already inundated, there are no more hospital beds, and even if you were given a bed, there is little that can be done for you. There is very little medication in the country, and no medical oxygen. Patients with Covid symptoms that have been tested and receive a negative Covid result, are put in a makeshift hospital, for pneumonia patients – without the necessary precautions. There have been many deaths as a result of Covid-19 and Covid-19-related pneumonia. The government have said they will probably not impose another lock-down, as the country cannot afford it, but most people are self-quarantining anyway. Those we have talked to, as we have delivered food and groceries, say their neighbours are sick and are staying home.

In the current situation, we have been praying how best to serve the people here. Leaving and returning home is not an option, with the borders here closed for travel anyway. Someone shared with us a quote about fear coexisting with our faith. It didn't seem right, so we spent time as a family yesterday looking at what Scripture says about fear and being afraid. Our eldest son took us to Numbers 14 and we looked at the fear that the 10 spies showed – despite God promising to be with them. I was challenged by the fact that over and over again we read that we are not to be afraid, because God is with us. Even in the Gospels, Jesus rebukes the disciples for their fear and lack of faith, "Oh you of little faith, why are you so afraid?" (Matthew 8:23-27). Then this morning we received a request for help from our pastor – to help take brothers and sisters who are sick with Covid-19 to get tests done

and help them get the care/medication they need.

We prayed about this, and talked about it as a family, and we all agreed that this was something we should do. Even our youngest daughter said, "It is better to help people who need our help, than to think about our own safety."

So, for the next few days I (the father) will be helping the pastor to drive brothers and sisters from our church to get medical tests and try to get other attention they need.

### **We would appreciate your prayers for:**

- Healing for the many who are sick in our country.
- Protection, health and safety for pastors who are directly involved in caring for their flock.
- Pray for the medical system – that is currently overwhelmed – that people can get access to medicines and equipment that they need.
- Pray for our health and safety as we serve in this way.
- Pray that believers would be able to deeply experience the hope that we have in Christ, and that this hope would be seen by their friends and family, who don't yet believe.

Thank you for your partnership with us, and specifically for your prayers at this time.

**Whoever dwells in the  
shelter of the Most High  
will rest in the  
shadow of the Almighty.**

**I will say of the Lord,  
"He is my refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."**

### **FOSTER FAMILIES WANTED**

The Open Home Foundation are urgently looking for new foster families who are able to take in teens with complex needs. Brochures are available in the foyer. Help yourself if interested.