

Monday
17 Aug
NO!!
1.30pm
3.30pm
7.30pm
Clergy day off Parish Office closed
Elder CARE Afternoon Tea in Trinity Lounge
OSL in Parish Centre
Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall
Tricia & David's Home Group at 359 Main South Rd

Tuesday
18 Aug
10am NO!! Dixon House Devotions
10.30am Tuesday Friends in **CHURCH LOUNGE** (no baking please)
12 noon Prayer Meeting in **CHURCH LOUNGE**
12.45pm Pastoral Care Meeting in **CHURCH LOUNGE**
7:30pm!! **3DM at 35 Karoro Place (no dinner. Eat before coming)**
7.15pm Hawes' Home Group via **ZOOM**
NO!! Marjorie's Home Group at 9 Heaphy St (**Resumes at LEVEL 1**)

Wednesday
19 Aug
12 noon Soup and Toast in Church Lounge
6:30pm Young Adult's Group in **CHURCH HALL**
7.30pm Robin's Home Group in **CHURCH LOUNGE**

Thursday
20 Aug
12.00pm Mawhera Ministers' Association in **CHURCH HALL**
3.30pm Crossroads Dance in Trinity Hall
NO!! 10am Music Practice
NO!! Confirmation Class tonight! Resumes next week
7.30pm Vestry Meeting in **CHURCH LOUNGE (no supper)**

Friday
21 Aug
NO!! Kids n Coffee
1.30pm Regional Deanery **ZOOM** meeting for clergy
5 pm CAIRA Supervision Training at Uniting Church
7pm The Shed Youth Group at 186 Main South Rd

Saturday
22 Aug
9am - 3pm CAIRA Supervision Training at Uniting Church

Services Next Weekend: 22 & 23 August 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



Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
15 & 16 August 2020
Blessed to be a Blessing
Growing Disciples of Jesus

Theme for this weekend: Conversations Part 2: "What is truth?
How important is it to others?"

Readings for this weekend:

1 Timothy 2:4-7 (p.1543); John 18:33-38 (p.1396)

Prayer for the Day: Holy God, we know that you are good and loving and truthful. We so often assume that our friends are the same. How hard it is to chat to them, when they often don't accept such a concept as truth. Teach us what to say and how to say it in this environment. Amen.

Theme for next weekend: Hebrews Part 1—Jesus is the Centre

Readings for next weekend: Hebrews 1:1-4; John 1:1-14

A VIDEO EXPERIMENT

We will experiment next Sunday at 10am to video the service and sermon. Wayne Lorimer will bring his equipment and see how it goes, and what can be achieved by editing. We are exploring ways of being able to keep folk involved who are unable to get to church because of work commitments, distance travel, health issues etc. We are hoping that, if the experiment is successful, we will be able to obtain a grant from St John's College Trust Board to invest in the required equipment. These are early days, but since the lockdown we have become far more aware of the need to up-skill in the area of technology. More and more parishioners are becoming knowledgeable in this field, including those in their 80's and 90's.

PARISH LIFE AT LEVEL 2

Here we are again! Just a few reminders—

1. Weekend services will meet —
 - Stay home if sick
 - Communion with bread only
 - 1m distancing
 - No physical contact
 - Contact Tracing details
 - Use hand sanitizer
 - No morning/afternoon tea
2. Church will be locked during the week except by arrangement. Spare newsletters will be in parish office.
3. Home groups can meet as usual if social distancing and food protocols in place. Talk to Marge or Nicky if you want to book a ZOOM, Church Lounge/Hall for your group.
4. Masks are encouraged, but not required.

FLOWERS
 Helen & Raewyn

CHURCH CLEANING
 Tony & Margaret Woollett

CHURCH MOWING
 Russell Nimmo

Last Weekend Attendance: 125
 Offertory: \$4,177 (Weekly Total needed: \$3,625)
 Total donations received for 186 Main South Rd Project so far: \$29,735
 Donations contributed to 186 Main South Rd Project in July: \$2,455
 Donations received in August will be reported by mid-September



Marge Writes

What word describes your reaction to the news that the coronavirus was back in the community and we had to return to Level 2? For me it was disappointment. I

was used to the freedom we had in Level 1 since June 9th; perhaps a little complacent. Oh, sure, I feel my wings have been clipped because I'm unable to travel freely to see family and friends overseas, but otherwise we were back to normal. I was looking forward to our parish celebration on Saturday night (now postponed); I was getting excited about the parish getting more missional and how this might look, etc. And then the balloon burst.

It's important that we learn to handle disappointments well. Here are a few suggestions—

1. Be honest about your feelings of sadness that the disappointment brings. It's okay to cry. Talk to someone.
2. Remember that God is still in control, on your side and has a plan for you. Talk to God...and listen to what He "says" to you.
3. Learn from the disappointment.
4. Make adjustments to the new reality.
5. Be on the lookout for the positive to come out of the disappointment.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

NZ and the world has changed so much in the last 40 years. In 1985 the census figures showed that 95% of the population called themselves Christians. In 2018 this had dropped to 37%. This is the first year we have NO Bible in Schools classes on this side of the Grey River.

These changes show that there is much less general knowledge about the Christian Faith, and that means that it is much harder to talk about our faith in general conversations.

What can we do?

TWO THINGS.

1. Live a Christian Lifestyle that is different to the rest of the population.
2. Have some meaningful conversations.

When we are chatting with friends, family, workmates, at cafe, etc, we will often hear statements about Christians or our beliefs or morals with which we totally disagree. What can we do?

THREE CHOICES

1. Ignore the comment (chicken!)
2. Tell them what you think. This tends to stop the conversation and is seldom helpful
3. Ask a question that may keep the conversation going.

E.g. **"What makes you think that?"**
"How did you get that idea?"

While listening to their reply, be open to any thoughts the Holy Spirit puts in your mind as either a follow up question, or a useful comment you can make.

So, how are you doing with conversations?

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6TH ANNUAL HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE

This annual conference is organised by the Buller Parish and takes place at St. John's Church Anglican Church in Westport.

This year the speakers are John and Heather Hearne from the Anglican Church in Cheviot. They are passionate about seeing people come to Christ and grow in their relationship with him.

Fri 25th September 7 - 9pm

Sat 26th September 9am to 4pm

Bring or buy your own lunch.

Cost is \$25 (includes morning tea).

Registration forms are in the foyer.

Marge and Robin are planning to attend.

OUR DAILY BREAD

New copies of this devotional booklet are available in the foyer. They cover the period September—November 2020. Please help yourself. A gold coin donation in the offering bag would be appreciated to help cover costs.

WORD FOR TODAY

The new Word for Today devotional booklets are available in the foyer. They cover the period August - October 2020. Please help yourself. A gold coin donation in the offering bag would be appreciated to help cover costs.

VESTRY MEETING THURSDAY

This will be held in the **CHURCY LOUNGE** at 7.30pm this Thursday, 20 August.

Possible Agenda Items:

- Application for funding for new initiatives for the parish to St John's College Trust Board
- Ride on mower for The Shed
- Repair of pot holes in the car park beside the hall
- Financial update on the mortgage repayments on 186 Main South Rd, and likely financial position at the end of December 2020.

- Perceived strengths of the ministry in the parish at present, and areas which may need further consideration and attention

- "Catching the wave"

- Health and Safety

- Vestry report to Nelson on the state of our health and safety paper work and preparedness.

DO YOU WANT OR NEED SUPERVISION IN YOUR WORK OR MINISTRY?

Robin is training to be a professional supervisor and needs someone on whom he can practise once a month or every two months. Because he is in training, it is FREE. It is genuine supervision and so can be for work or a role at church. Joanna Lorimer and Tricia Hird are also training, although they have more experience. Joanna is also looking for someone to supervise.

Initially this would be for just six months, with the option of continuing longer if desired by the person being supervised.

Please chat to Robin if you might be interested.

FREE EGGS

There are some cartons of fresh eggs available in the foyer for anyone who would like some. Please help yourself. Thanks to Vicki Robertson for generously sharing from her chooks.

FREE REUSABLE FACE MASKS

Paula Lister has made some beautiful reusable face masks. If you would like one, please help yourself from the bag in the foyer. These masks are medium size.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

14 Nov-Parish Fair

20-22 Nov-Bishop Steve and Watiri's Visit and Confirmation

2 Dec - Community Carols at the Regent

13 Dec - OASIS Nativity Play