

Monday 14 Sept	10:30am 1-3:30pm	<i>Marge & Robin's Day off</i> Funeral for Robert Dumelow CARE Afternoon Tea (Trinity Lounge)
Tuesday 15 Sept	7am 7pm	Breakfast Bible Study at Robert Harris Cafe Marge's Home Group @ 35 Karoro Place
Wednesday 16 Sept	8am 10am 11am 6:30-8pm	Parish Prayer meeting (Parish Centre) Dixon House Devotions (Marge) Kahurangi Devotions (Marge) Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga
	7pm	YES!! Robin's Home Group at 109c Hanmer Tce
Thursday 17 Sept	NO!!! 5pm	NO Robin's Home Group at Parish Centre Music Practice
Friday 18 Sept	7am 10-11:30am 2pm 7pm	Breakfast Bible Study at Robert Harris Cafe Kids 'n' Coffee (Church complex) Funeral for David Fox The Shed Youth Group (186 Main South Rd)
Saturday 19 Sept	5pm	Youth Church at The Shed (186 Main South Rd)
Sunday 20 Sept	2:30-4pm	Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga

Services 20 September

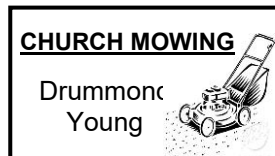
GREYMOUTH:

8am	Holy Communion (with one hymn)
10am	All age service with Holy Communion & Contemporary Music
2pm	Afternoon Worship

KUMARA: 10am Morning Worship (Samara)

Please let clergy know if you or someone you know would like to be visited in hospital. Policy changes at Te Nikau Hospital no longer allow clergy or church pastoral visitors to request a list of those of their denomination who are in hospital.

Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989



Last Weekend: Attendance: 62
Offertory: \$ 3,782 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,904)
Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



**Anglican Parish
of Greymouth & Kumara
13 September 2026
*Growing Disciples of Jesus
Blessed to be a Blessing***

Theme:	Lessons in Forgiveness
Sentence:	Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Readings:	Genesis 50:15-21 (p 68); Matthew 18:21-35 (p 1250)
Prayer for the Day:	God of infinite mercy, grant that we who know your pity, may rejoice in Your forgiveness, and gladly forgive others for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.
Preacher:	Marge Tefft
Theme for next weekend:	When God's compassion towards some appears MORE THAN generous
Readings for next weekend:	Jonah 3:10-4:11; Matthew 20:1-16
Preacher for next weekend:	Doug Bray

ITEMS FOR THE FAIR

We are **NOT** accepting clothes, shoes, bedding, cushions, electrical items, or major items of furniture.

However, we are accepting trash and treasure household items, books, and toys. These items can be put into the Parish Centre garage or outside the front door of the Parish Centre.

We will also be selling plants & produce, baking, sweets, desserts, meals, etc. and these can be brought to the Parish Centre or Hall on the Friday or Saturday of the Fair (13/14 November)

We are placing a greater emphasis on anything to do with food this year.

If you can donate 500gm packs of frozen whitebait, please give them directly to Robin to put in the freezer.

THIS AFTERNOON PLANNING MEETING FOR FAIR

Robin would like to meet with those interested in planning logistics of this year's fair considering the changes agreed at the AGM. Once the plans are in place, a request for team leaders and helpers will be made.

The meeting will be held today Sunday 13 Sept at 4pm - 5:30pm in the Parish Centre.

Thank you to those who have indicated an interest in helping with this initial phase of planning. Others are also welcome.



Musings from Marge

On Friday our facilities were stretched to capacity as we hosted the funeral for Jono Jones. Attendance was 600 (300 each in the church and hall). I was so glad we were able to provide the space for everyone and livestream into the hall. There are so many to thank—

- Robin for his vision of the hall so many years ago and the faith to see it through.
- Parishioners at the turn of the millennium who financially supported the building of the hall.
- Tim Mora for conducting a sensitive and meaningful service.
- Jim Findlay, and his daughters Lyndal and Caro, and Mandy O'Sullivan for assisting with chairs and tables.
- The Women's Institute for voluntarily delaying their setting up of the hall for their Saturday event in anticipation that we would need the space for overflow.

I am so grateful that no one had to be turned away because of space on what was a difficult day for all.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

SINCERE SYMPATHIES

Our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of **Jono Jones** whose funeral was held at HTC on Friday. Also, to the family and friends of **Robert Dumelow** whose funeral will be at HTC on Monday. And, to the family and friends of **David Fox** whose funeral will be at HTC on Friday. Please hold these in your prayers at this time.

HOW'S IT GOING?

It's not often that Robin's and my wedding anniversary falls on a Sunday, but this year it did. So, last week I took the liberty to focus on a wedding that is yet to be—The Wedding Supper of the Lamb.

This event is described in Revelation 19 and follows the destruction of the "Whore of Babylon and the Beast" in chapter 18.

These two entities represent any system that sets itself against the rule and reign of God. It is any system that puts self in the centre, and it has been around ever since Adam and Eve first rebelled. The systems could be political, financial, social, even religious.

As Christians, we must be sensitive toward when we might be being influenced by a way of thinking that is not in line with God's ways. It is easy to say, "Oh, that's the way of my culture" for instance, but if the attitude or activity is not Godly, we must seek God's help to not be sucked into something that is anti-God.

The promise of Revelation is that the day is coming when these systems will be utterly defeated by Jesus, never to rise again.

In Revelation 19 John sees the future celebration at the defeat of these evil systems and the establishment of the full reign of God. As part of the celebration are these words, "The wedding day of the Lamb is here, and his bride is ready. She will be given a wedding dress made of pure and shining linen. This linen stands for the good things God's people have done."

The Lamb is Jesus and the bride is the Church. The church readies herself by embracing Jesus as Saviour and Lord. As Paul wrote, "So work with fear and trembling to discover what it really means to be saved. God is working in you to make you willing and able to obey Him."

CONCERT TODAY 13 SEPT 2PM

The Salvation Army are hosting the Christchurch Songsters at 2pm today Sunday at 77 Shakespeare Street. All are welcome.

FOSTERING – IS IT FOR YOU?

On Tues 22nd Sept from 7pm in church lounge. Alannah Gregan will talk about Open Home Foundations Fostering program, what it means to be a Foster Parent and how you might like to become involved.

READING THE BIBLE SEMINAR

Dr Kate Tyler from Bishopdale College in Nelson will be coming to Cobden to show how the whole Bible fits together into one overarching story. It is an excellent seminar, and particularly helpful for those who find the Bible a bit confusing.

Saturday 26th September at 10am, meeting in the Cobden Anglican Church, 40 Richmond St. FREE.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This helps to guide our prayers for the wider diocese and province. It is useful for those who pray for the wider diocese. Help yourself to a copy of the leaflet in the foyer. A sample of how you may wish to fold yours to use as a bookmark in your Bible is also there.

ROBIN AWAY FOR TWO WEEKS

Robin will be in Nelson from Wednesday 16 September, staying with Watiri and Steve Maina. He will be training some people in how to minister in the Healing of Memories.

MANY THANKS

To Bob Stanger for the finishing of the new steps by the Parish Centre with the galvanised hand rail installation.

To Pete White for tackling the leak above the door between the church and the vessels' cupboard.

To Tony Woollett for the completion of the restoration of the damaged block fence by the entrance to the car park.

To Nico Maas for all the repairs to the electrical issues that occur.

SUPPORT BTC

Go to the link below to see the various creative fund-raising projects that are on the go:

<https://givealittle.co.nz/event/bishopdale>
See Sept 6th "Marge Writes" for a fuller explanation.

DATE OF FAIR

**Saturday 14th November
11.30am to about 1.30pm**

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