

Monday 23 March		<i>Marge and Robin's day off</i>
Tuesday 24 March	1:30pm	Tuesday Friends (Parish Centre)
Wednesday 25 March	8am 10am 6:30-8pm	Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre Dixon House Holy Communion (Tim) Runanga Healing Rooms Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga
Thursday 26 March	5pm 7:30pm	10am Music Practice (Church) AGM in Church Lounge
Friday 27 March	10-11:30 7pm	Kids 'n' Coffee (Church Complex) The SHED (186 Main South Road)
Saturday 28 March		
Sunday 29 March	2:30-4pm	Runanga Healing Rooms Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga

services 29 March

GREYMOUTH:

8am Holy Communion (no music)
 10am All age service with Holy Communion & Contemporary Music
 2pm Holy Communion with music

KUMARA: NO SERVICE

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

 <p>FLOWERS Bronwen</p>	<p>CHURCH CLEANING</p>  <p>Deb Johnson & Rachel Tomlinson</p>	<p>CHURCH MOWING</p>  <p>Lewis Bell</p>
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Last Weekend: Attendance: 69 Offertory: \$4,116 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,952)
 Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00

	<p>Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara 22 March 2026 <i>Growing Disciples of Jesus Blessed to be a Blessing</i></p>
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Theme: The Passion of Christ
Sentence: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning. Great is Your faithfulness, O Lord.
Readings: Lamentations 3:18-33 (p.1048), Luke 18:18-34 (p.1346)
Prayer for the Day: Dear God, thank you that hope is real, even when I can't feel it. Help me to focus on your love, your mercy and your faithfulness. Help me to offer my life to you, so that I may know for certain that I have eternal life. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.
Preacher: Robin Kingston

Theme for next weekend: Palm Sunday
 Readings for next weekend: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Matthew 21:1-11
 Preacher for next weekend: Marge Tefft

AGM THIS THURSDAY 7.30PM

It will be held in the Church Lounge.

Please pick up a copy of the AGM Papers (2026 AGM Report, 2026 Budget, 2025 Annual Accounts, and a motion for General Business) from the foyer. If possible take 1 set per family to share.

The only motion received for General Business is from our current Vestry and proposes modifications to the Annual Fair. The pink motion paper provides the background to the motion. The motion itself reads:

That, from 2026 onwards, the annual fair will be simplified as follows:

1. Robin (or other parish member) will co-ordinate a planning group of at least three people.
2. We will NO LONGER SELL clothing, footwear, bedding, cushions, electrical items, or furniture.
3. We WILL SELL trash & treasure household items, plants & produce, baking, sweets, desserts, meals, refreshments, sausages, books and toys.
4. We will place greater emphasis on anything to do with food.
5. There will be two sets of raffles, one before or after Easter and one just before the fair.



Marge I am forever putting my phone down somewhere

Writes and walking away only to discover I don't have it on me and don't know where I left it. Do any of you have that challenge? Usually, I just get Robin to ring my number and I listen for the ring or vibration buzz (if I had put it on silent). This works well if the phone is where we generally are (like in another room). However, what am I to do when it got left at an entirely different location...like a bus!

This is exactly what happened at the wedding last weekend when we returned from the venue to where our cars were parked in Richmond. I had used the flashlight on my phone to walk to the bus and forgot to put it in my handbag. When I got to the motel (after midnight) I discovered no phone.

BUT, Robin and I have put each other's phone data into an app called "Find My". I asked Robin to open the app and sure enough my phone was at the bus garage. I made contact with the supervisor and was able to retrieve it the next morning.

I'm so glad I'm in God's Find My app. What an assurance to know He always knows where I am physically, emotionally, circumstantially. And He's there to help.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

In Exodus 33 we read how Moses would go into the tent of meeting and "the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend."

The foundational rabbinic Jewish literature that interprets and discusses the Torah (first five books of both the Jewish and Christian Bible) include the Talmud and Midrash. Here we also find more about the tradition surrounding Moses' life. Diana shared many of these last week and it was fascinating that so many were similar to Jesus. For instance, a sign in the stars that Pharaoh's advisors interpreted as meaning that a leader of the Hebrew people would be born that would overthrow him and his response to kill all of the Hebrew baby boys.

In Hebrews 3 the writer compares Moses (God's faithful servant) to Jesus (God's faithful son). Moses was great, but Jesus is greater declares the writer of Hebrews.

Moses may have been a friend of God, but so can all of us. Jesus is God the Son and he invites us all into a deep and intimate friendship with him. Like all friendships, our friendship with Jesus must be cultivated for it to grow and deepen.

Diana said she wanted her epitaph to read, "Friend of Jesus."

How about you?

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

This year's AGM meeting will be **this Thursday, March 26th at 7:30pm in the Church Lounge. In order to stand for office or vote in the elections or vote on any motion, you must be on the electoral roll.**

A copy of the current electoral roll is posted on foyer notice board. If your name is not on the electoral roll you are still welcome to attend the AGM and request speaking rights, but you will not be able to vote.

AGM ELECTIONS

The following nominations have been received—

- **Vestry members (up to 10 people)** - Doug Bray, Tracey Hall, Evan Hunt, Bob Stanger, Glenda Torrance, Pete White
- **Diocesan Synod Reps (up to 2 people)** - Kathy Hines, Greville Wood
- **People's Warden** - Wayne Lorimer

AGM PAPERS

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HOME GROUPS

We are very much hoping to get these up and running after the school holidays. We are still looking for more hosts and leaders. Please chat to Robin or Marge if interested or if you have questions. We are available to help with resources.

FIRE EVACUATION PRACTICE

If you are involved as a clergy person, sidesperson, leader of a service, music leader, or children's worker, **please**

check you know what role you may need to play. It is on the mauve sheet in the foyer.

HOPE BOOKLET DELIVERY

Thank you to everyone that has signed up to deliver. This is to let you know that the booklets are available for pick-up after each service today in the foyer.

If you did not read the "Induction Checklist for Volunteers" put out by the Hope Project and signed the sheet to say you did, please do so today before you leave with your booklets.

The list of all the areas or streets to which you need to deliver is in your box of books. If I've given you more than you can handle, please let me know.

The same applies if you have too few and would like to do more!

The box of spare booklets is in the foyer.

GOOD NEWS

We were thrilled to hear that our application for funding from the Anglican Care Committee in Nelson was successful. It was \$5,000 towards the salary of our youth worker., Nicki Mora.

HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES

Holy Week is fast approaching so a reminder of the celebrations we are planning—

- 28 Mar: Palm Sunday 8am, 10am, 2pm
- 2 Apr: Maundy Thursday 7pm
- 3 Apr: Good Friday 10am
- 5 Apr: Easter Sunday 8am, 10am, 2pm

If anyone would like to help Robin make palm crosses for next Sunday, let him know. He has the palms available. Just needs helpers!

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