

Monday 17 Feb *Marge and Robin's day off*
 5.30pm KYB Bible Study group (Parish Centre)

Tuesday 18 Feb

Wednesday 19 Feb
 8am **Parish Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre**
 10am Dixon House Devotions (Marge)
 7:15pm Lavers' Home Group (18C Serpentine Rd)
 4pm **Memorial Service for Jean Flood at the William Sampson Memorial Chapel**
 7-8pm **Training for Ripple Effect Facilitators (Parish Centre)**

Thursday 20 Feb
 12 Noon Ministers' Association at Uniting Church

Friday 21 Feb *Emily's half day off*
 10am Kids 'n Coffee (Church complex)

Saturday 22 Feb *Emily's day off*
**9am to 12noon Relational Evangelism Seminar
 Cobden Church, 40 Richmond St**

Services Next Week 23 Feb 2025

GREYMOUTH:

8am Traditional Holy Communion
 10am Family service with Communion & Music
 2pm Worship Booklet

KUMARA: 4pm Making Space (Rach & Ev)

Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS

 Helen & Raewyn

CHURCH CLEANING

 Marge & Robin

CHURCH MOWING

 Roger Lavers

Last Weekend: Attendance: 67 Offertory 3,749 (Budget weekly total needed: \$ 3,700)
 Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



**Anglican Parish
 of Greymouth & Kumara
 16 February 2025
*Growing Disciples of Jesus
 Blessed to be a Blessing***

Theme: Getting Started with Evangelism
Sentence: Jesus said, "Go and make disciples of all nations."
Readings: Colossians 4:2-6 (see inside); Matt 28:16-20 (p 1272)
Prayer for the Day: Loving and Gracious God, Thank you that you understand our fears and weaknesses. Give us courage to begin to take steps to be better sharers of the Good News of Jesus. Amen.
Preacher: Julie-anne Laird

Theme for next weekend: Hope
 Readings next weekend: Psalm 100; John 15:1-17
 Preacher next weekend: Greville Wood

**RELATIONAL EVANGELISM
 SEMINAR NEXT SATURDAY**

9am start in the Cobden Anglican Church. We finish about noon.

We hope that you have been encouraged and inspired by Julie-anne's sermon today to attend Saturday's Workshop. Julie-anne will be present two topics in person:

- 14 Things I've Learned about how People become Christians
- 6 Kinds of Friends

For those who haven't been to Cobden Anglican Church before, go across the Cobden bridge and turn left. Follow along Bright St (the main street). Near the top of the rise turn right along either Newcastle St or Sturge St. At the 2nd street turn left (Ward St). Not

far along turn right at Richmond St. Church is on the left.

THE RIPPLE EFFECT COURSE

This is the follow on course after the workshop by Julia-anne. (see above) She is so down to earth, practical, real, and vibrant.

When you experience her in person next Saturday at the Cobden Church, we pray that you will be encouraged to take a step of faith and come at least to the first session of the course being offered Tues/Wed 25/26 Feb) at the following times:

- Tues 10-11:45am (Parish Centre)
- Wed 1:30-3:15pm (Parish Centre)
- Wed 7pm-8:45pm (Hall)

Please review the letter from Marge for more details or see Marge for another copy.



Marge I'm so pleased today to introduce you to Julie-anne Laird (albeit by video) as our guest preacher. Emily,

Greg, Robin and myself along with much of the leadership of the diocese heard Julie-anne last July at Lake Rotoiti. Along with most of the leadership of the diocese we wanted to have her share with our wider parish family.

Julie-anne has a passion for talking about her faith in non-threatening ways and delights in helping ordinary Christians like you and me to grow in confidence with spiritual conversations without any sort of guilt trip laid on us or on those with whom we converse.

I am praying that you will come to the workshop next Saturday at Cobden Anglican Church (see page 1) and meet Julie-anne in person and listen to her two further talks. After the inspiration comes the putting into practice and so I am also praying that you will have the courage to dip into the Ripple Effect Course that follows (see page 1).

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

We see in the Great Commission a huge goal that Jesus sets before us when He tells us to Go & make disciples, baptising them & teaching them everything He has taught us.

God has been encouraging me in my endurance training that if I commit to learning each day & week with Him, I will become capable of participating in this endurance 'race' of being on mission with Jesus.

Four key things we can do to train with Jesus are:

***Practice** – regular repetitive practice of sharing Jesus with those around us builds confidence.

***Posture** – the intentions & behaviour of our heart & mind can be life-giving or off-putting. Become aware of your posture.

***Provision** – we need the sustenance & refreshing Jesus brings daily through prayer & bible study, and weekly through gathered worship.

***Pace** – to run too fast will cause injury, to stop will cause discouragement. 'What pace do you need to move at with Jesus as you learn & practice sharing your faith?'

Take courage as you run slowly & steadily with Jesus towards that great goal of His salvation coming to everyone & all the earth brought into unity in Christ.

So how's it going?

COLOSSIANS 4:2-6 (NIV)

1st reading for today to match the version read by Julie-anne in her talk.

Paul wrote —

² Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. ³ And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. ⁴ Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. ⁵ Be wise in the way you act towards outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶ Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Julianne's "PR" Takeaways—

- **PRAYER** for those we know who don't yet not Jesus AND open doors for us to share
- **PROCLAIM** the message clearly
- **PRIORITISE** spending time with people who don't yet know Jesus
- **PREPARE** how to have spiritual conversations
- **PRACTICE** having spiritual conversations

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer Service at Greymouth Uniting at 2pm Friday 7th March. All welcome. This year's service has been prepared by the women of the Cook Islands.

OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES

Our sincere sympathies to Jim and Mary Findlay on the death of their niece Belinda Glasson. Belinda's funeral was held last Wednesday. Please do hold Jim, Mary and all of Belinda's family in your prayers at this time.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JEAN FLOOD

A memorial service for Jean Flood will be held Wednesday at 4pm at the William Sampson Memorial Chapel. Jean was a faithful member of this parish who loved singing in the choir, participating in AAW and quietly doing for others. Jean passed away on Oct 27, 2024. Please hold, Jack, Erin, extended family, and friends in your prayers as they make their farewells.

MATARIKI

Kia ora whanau, we are looking to put on a Matariki event Saturday 21st June this year for local Greymouth community.

Emily is overseeing the planning and running of this event & would love to invite anyone interested in helping with planning this event to sign up on the sheet in the foyer or contact her via email or phone. Thanks!

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THE SHARING SHED
OP SHOP
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 114 Bright St, Cobden, Greymouth

Volunteers Needed!

Love fashion and opp shops?
 Got an eye for detail?
 Love our community?

The Sharing Shed in Cobden are looking for more sorters and counter staff to fill some gaps.
 2 hour shifts once or twice a week between 11am & 3pm.

Come and join our amazing team and make a difference!

Contact Tim Mora 027 204 8560 for an application. Police vetting and references required.