

Monday  
16 February

**Marge and Robin on Annual Leave until afternoon of 26th**

Tuesday  
17 February

Wednesday  
18 February

**Ash Wednesday**  
**Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre**  
8am Dixon House Devotions (Tim)  
10am Kahurangi Devotions (Tim)  
11am  
5.30pm **Ash Wednesday service at St Patrick's**

Thursday  
19 February

Friday  
20 February

**10-11:30 Kids 'n' Coffee (Church Complex)**  
7pm The SHED (186 Main South Road)

Saturday  
21 February

Sunday  
22 February

**2:30-4pm Runanga Healing Rooms reopen**  
**Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga**

**Services 22 February**

**GREYMOUTH:**

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

**FLOWERS**  
Bronwen  


**CHURCH CLEANING**  
Henry & Jenny Hole  


**CHURCH MOWING**  
Anyone who is willing  


Last Weekend: Attendance: 74 Offertory: \$3,945 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,700)  
Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



**HOLY TRINITY Church**

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

**Theme:** A Meal with Jesus  
**Sentence:** The Son of man came Eating and Drinking.  
**Readings:** Deuteronomy 14:23-27 (p.230), Luke 14:12-14 (p.1339)  
**Prayer for the Day:** Gracious Lord, help us to follow your examples around meals. Holy Spirit, give us wisdom and understanding with whom we may invite to share a meal, to share life. Father God, may you bless us as we bless others with your Love, Compassion and Grace. We ask this as your humble servants, in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen

**Preacher:** Pete White

Theme for next weekend: Who do you say Jesus is?  
Readings for next weekend: Acts 4:8-14; Matthew 16:13-19  
Preacher for next weekend: Samara Ewan

**NEXT ROSTER**

Thank you to those who have sent your unavailable dates to Marge for the next Services Roster (1 March—30 June).

If you have forgotten, it's not too late to send them directly to Marge at—

**vicar@htcgreymouth.co.nz**

Marge will be completing the roster while away and emailing it out.

**MARGE & ROBIN ON LEAVE**

Marge & Robin will be on leave for two weeks from this Thurs (12th Feb). They will be returning in time for Vestry on Thurs, 26th Feb. During their time away (12th thru afternoon of 26th) there will not be clergy cover in the parish. However, Marge and Robin will remain reachable by cell phones or email if necessary. Please use the phone numbers and email addresses given in the box at the bottom of the second

page. Samara Ewan, our Vicar's Warden, will be in town during this period and is also a point of contact if needed.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and the start of the period in the Church Year called Lent.

Normally we have a service in Holy Trinity Church, but this year is different with both Marge and Robin away. We regret there will be no opportunity here to receive the traditional putting on of ashes on the foreheads.

**HOWEVER, you are warmly invited to attend the service at St Patrick's Church on Wednesday, 18th February at 5.30pm.**



*Marge* I am writing this while listening to the wind and rain here at Mount Aoraki. We arrived yesterday afternoon (Thursday) with the great mountain covered in cloud, but by evening were able to view it in all its splendor. Creation indeed declares the glory of God.

A couple of weeks ago I wrote of Vestry's decision to give \$3,000 to Whare Manaaki as part of additional 2025 tithe not in the budget due to unforeseen gifts and bequests received last year.

A couple of days before leaving for this holiday I received a phone call from Pete (manager of Whare Manaaki) to say thank you for the gift which had arrived in their bank account. He asked me particularly to pass on the gratitude of Whare Manaaki to all of our church whanau. He is also keen to work with us this year in offering the community another service of remembrance during Matariki.

I hope that you are as thrilled as I am to be able to live out one of our mottos "Blessed to be a Blessing".

With love and blessings,

*Marge*

**HOW'S IT GOING?**

We looked at a variety of key issues about Christian issues concerning the treaty.

Firstly, after Samuel Marsden preached his first sermon, in Maori, on Christmas Day 1814, there was a slow conversion amongst Maori that later multiplied fast. By 1840 about 50% were active, believing Christians.

Secondly, the missionaries were trusted by Maori, and they were very involved in the translation into Maori, and also in encouraging chiefs to sign. As one chief said, if the crown have as much faith and trust in Christ as we do, then everything will be great (or words to that effect).

Thirdly, we saw an illustration from the bible of how a treaty made in God's name, is binding. It was to do with the Gibeonites. Joshua 9:1-9 and then, about 400 years later, it was broken by King Saul. The result is in 2 Samuel 21. God was angry and ensured that the Israelites put things right, paid for their sin, and ensured the treaty was kept thereafter.

Fourthly we concerned the difference between equity and equality. Equality is when we give the same amount to each person, regardless of their need. Equity is when we divide the amount to be given in such away that everyone has what is needed to function well. Three boys were trying to see over a fence—tall, medium height, short. Equality: ALL are given a stool each. The shortest still can't see, Equity: no stool for tallest, one stool for medium height and 2 stools for shortest. Now all 3 can see. Equity is at the heart of justice in God's eyes.

To what extent are our thoughts Christian?

**NOTICE FOR ALL GROUP LEADERS**

Can you please email the Parish Office with the names of members of your group who attended your group regularly or occasionally during 2025.

**ADVANCE NOTICE FOR LEADERS OF PARISH GROUPS**

Every year we are required to complete a brief questionnaire from the diocese. Each group leader will receive an email with a link to the form that needs to be completed and sent back to the diocese. This will happen some time in February or March.

One of their requests is asking for one or two comments that you have heard about the value of the group, and any significant growth in faith, ministry or discipleship.

**This year Jacquie Jones will be organising the sending out of the links once we receive them from the diocese and she will appreciate you letting her know by email (jjarm@kinect.co.nz) when you have sent it back.**

**AGM AND ELECTORAL ROLL**

This year's AGM meeting will be on Thursday, **March 26th**.

You must be on the Electoral Roll in order to stand for Vestry, Synod Rep, or People's Warden and to have the right to vote at the AGM and any other Special Parish Meetings. It is also required to be appointed as Vicar's Warden.

The current Electoral Roll is posted on the foyer notice board. Please check to see if your name is on it. If your name is not listed, and you wish to be included, please complete the **YELLOW** form that is on the long table in the foyer and return it to Jacquie Jones or slip under the Parish Centre door.

**HEALING ROOMS ARE UNDERWAY**

The Healing Rooms are located at Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga. Opening hours are—

Wednesdays, 6:30pm—8pm

Sundays, 2:30pm—4pm

Enquiries to—

Carolyn Killick 022 018 1060

or

Sophia Newman 022 197 9962

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to the Green Gables Trust of the Methodist Church for granting \$10,000 to the SHED toward Nicki's 2026 salary. And thank you to Lyn Heine (minister of the Uniting Church) for putting in the application on the SHED's behalf.

It really is wonderful the way that the churches in Greymouth work with and support one another.

**LENT**

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and marks the beginning of Lent.

Lent is the season in the church year leading up to Easter when we are particularly encouraged to prepare ourselves for both the horror and beauty of Good Friday and the joy of Easter.

We must never forget what it cost God to save us. The horror of our sin and the beauty of his love meet at the cross in the death of our Lord Jesus Christ. And then the joy that is ours when we remember Jesus' resurrection which is the evidence that our sins are gone.

How will you choose to prepare yourself this Lenten season? Traditionally, Christians have practiced a rhythm of fasting (giving up something), praying, and giving to the poor. Why not pray that the Holy Spirit reveals to you what your practices should be this Lent that will help you better attune to the voice of your Lord.

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