

Monday 15 July Marge & Robin's day off 2nd week of School Holidays

Tuesday 16 July

Wednesday 17 July Emily taking day in lieu
10 am Dixon House Devotions (Marge)

Thursday 18 July 12 Noon Ministers' Association in Parish Centre
7.30pm Holy Spirit Home Group in Parish Centre

Friday 19 July Emily taking 1/2 day in lieu plus normal 1/2 day off

Saturday 20 July Emily's day off

Services Next Sunday 21 July 2024 (Last weekend of school holidays)

GREYMOUTH:


8am Traditional Holy Communion
10am Family service with Communion & Music
After Morning Tea—Prayer Meeting in Chapel
2pm Holy Communion

KUMARA: 10am Holy Communion (Emily)

Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS
Christina


CHURCH CLEANING
Henry & Jenny Hole


CHURCH MOWING
Roger Lavers


Last Weekend Attendance: 60 Offertory: \$3,549 (Total needed: \$3,700 }
Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00

**HOLY TRINITY Church**
Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara
14 July 2024
Growing Disciples of Jesus
Blessed to be a Blessing

Theme: Confidence in God's presence and compassion, through both good and bad times.

Readings: Ephesians 1:3-14 (NIV); Mark 6:14-29 (NIV)

Prayer for the Day: God our Father, our Lord and our Saviour; may we know your compassion for and presence with us; whatever the situation in which we find ourselves; and however promising or challenging the future may appear.

Please grant us the courage to face whatever challenges this life may present us; secure in the knowledge that, while you never promised us a life without problems; you have promised to never abandon us in any situation.

May we your people seek to be faithful servants of yours, in a challenging secular world that is the 21st Century in which we live. AMEN

Preacher: Doug Bray

Theme for next weekend: Taking Steps of Faith
Readings next weekend: Joshua 1:1, 6-9; Matthew 14:22-33
Preacher next weekend: Robin Kingston

SYNOD BILLETING

Our parish is hosting Synod on 12-14th Sept. The diocese is looking for people who could offer a billet and breakfast for two nights/mornings. If you would like to help, please contact Renata at - renata@nelsonanglican.nz

Cost \$10 for the guide booklet. Let the Hawes know if you wish to join the group. Ph: 021 133 0370.

TRIAL EVACUATION SOON

By the end of July we will have a trial evacuation at one of our services. Those in leadership roles in the services are advised to check your roles. Spare copies of the various duties involved are in the foyer. Help yourself to remind you of your responsibilities: sidespeople, each1 at 10am, opening at 8am, office at 2pm, and clergy.

MONDAY EVENING HOME GROUP

Know Your Bible Mondays 5.30pm to 8pm

This group, led by Ian & Nicky Hawes, meet every Monday evening during term time. Participants bring some food to share for the meal. This term they are studying the Letter to the Romans.



*Marge
Writes*

Relational evangelism is Christians developing genuine friendships

with people who are not yet followers of Jesus and within that context sharing their faith in sensitive, wise and appropriate ways.

The Nelson Diocesan Leadership Camp held this weekend focused precisely on relational evangelism. Our guest speaker was Julie-anne Laird who is passionate for people to know Jesus. She is gifted in relational evangelism. However, her skills came from practice and also training. What this means is that all of us can learn skills to help us have meaningful Jesus conversations. She gave us many practical insights gleaned from her real-life encounters.

Julie-anne is willing to visit our parish and I will be discussing this with vestry later this month. However, we don't have to wait for her visit to get started.

Take a look at Colossians 4:2-6 for the principles of relational evangelism. Then, let us begin now to PRAY regularly for our unbelieving friends and for ourselves that God would open a door for us to share something about Jesus in a pleasant and interesting way.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

After the healing of the woman with 12 years of hemorrhaging and the raising of Jairus' daughter to life, Jesus went to his home town. His disciples were with them and were probably excited to see what he would do next.

However, the people of Nazareth simply refused to believe that God was actually working through this one who had grown up among them. They thought they "knew" everything about Jesus and were incredulous that God was working through him, a common carpenter. Mark tells us that, as a result, Jesus could not work any miracles there except to heal a few who believed.

How did Jesus react to this rejection? Mark tells us he was surprised, but not angry. Instead, he continued his mission to other villages and even extended his ministry by giving his disciples power to cast out demons, heal, and tell the message of God's Kingdom. He thus taught us how to respond to rejection.

May we not think we know everything about Jesus that we fail to receive all he has for us. And where we meet rejection, may we respond by continuing to do the Lord's work with courage, love, and wisdom.

So, how's it going?

HELP FOR THOSE STRUGGLING FINANCIALLY

This parish is very aware of the stresses many of you feel with increased costs, and your concerns about how to handle them.

There are three ways in which we can offer assistance.

1. Any of the clergy are willing to spend time with you to look at your budget and ways of helping make it balance to avoid debt.
2. The West Coast Christian Foundation does lend money at no interest to those who need assistance.
It is a loan not a donation. If you have an urgent need, or have a debt that has high interest payments, then a loan may be a way forward. Chat to Marge or Robin about the process of application for a loan. Part of the requirement will be that you are prepared to work with a budget advisor.
3. Robin has been trained through the Christians Against Poverty Budgeting Course and is willing to run the short course for individuals or a small group interested. The course is FREE.

LOOKING AT TREATY BASICS FROM A CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE IN LATE JULY AND EARLY AUGUST

"Conversation about the Treaty is happening all around us. There is an important opportunity right now to dive into our shared story so that we know our place to stand and how we can belong, wherever our ancestors came from.

'Belonging in this land: Treaty basics from a Christian perspective' is an opportunity for our faith community to explore the story of the Treaty of Waitangi over two 90-minute video

sessions. Whether you know a lot, or a little, let's be curious together.

Brought to us by Common Grace Aotearoa in partnership with Karuwā Trust and Te Manu Hononga - the Sir Paul Reeves Centre, we will hear from expert presenters, including Dean of Taranaki Cathedral Jay Ruka and former Anglican Archbishop David Moxon, to help you refresh or expand your knowledge.

Greymouth Baptist Church is hosting this event on **Sunday the 28th of July at 2pm and the second session on Sunday the 11th of August at 2pm.**

It is important to RSVP to greymouthbaptistchurch@gmail.com by Wednesday the 24th of July so that you can be emailed the link to download participant resources."

NOTE: Your clergy highly recommend this course to you.

SOME EXCERPTS FROM ANANIYA

Ananiya is one of our three sponsored students in Watoto, Uganda, He is 20yrs old and in his first year at High School.

Dear Greymouth and Kumara Anglican Parish. Praise the living God! I always feel good when I receive a letter from you. So far we are half way of the year and everything is flowing well for me. I am reading hard to excel in my academics.

Yes, I pay the guitar and lead worship and it's really a great moment during worship.

It is good to know you chose to train up a new Anglican pastor and that she is good and enjoying to learn from you, and that she is teaching you about latest technology, internet, computers and cell phones.

Greetings to all the parish members and may the living God bless them all. Thank you for sponsoring me. God bless you all. Yours faithfully, Ananiya Kameri.

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