

Monday 2 March		<i>Marge and Robin's day off</i>
Tuesday 3 March	1.30pm	Regional Deanery Zoom Meeting
Wednesday 4 March	8am 10am	Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre Dixon House Devotions (Marge)
Thursday 5 March	6.25pm	Men's Prayer Meeting in Hokitika. Meet at Parish Centre for lift with Robin.
Friday 6 March	10-11:30 10am 7pm	Kids 'n' Coffee (Church Complex) <b>World Day of Prayer in Dixon House Lounge</b> The SHED (186 Main South Road)
Saturday 7 March	10am-2pm 7pm	<b>Contemplative Prayer Day at Salvation Army. Fundraiser for Mike Knott. Music by Geek &amp; Geezer at Elim. KOHA.</b>
Sunday 8 March	2:30-4pm	Runanga Healing Rooms Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga

### Services 8 March

#### **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**  
 Jeanette & Rose

**CHURCH CLEANING**  
 Theresa & Julie

**CHURCH MOWING**  
 Che Norris

Last Weekend: Attendance: 66 Offertory: \$3,712 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,700)  
 Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



**Anglican Parish  
of Greymouth & Kumara**

**1 March 2026**

***Growing Disciples of Jesus  
Blessed to be a Blessing***

**Theme:** Lent 2: Growing in Faith  
**Sentence:** We depend on you, Lord. You make our hearts glad because we trust you, the only God.  
**Readings:** Psalm 33:13-21 (p.715), Matthew 17:1-9 (p.1248)  
**Prayer for the Day:** God of life and glory, your Son was revealed in splendour before he suffered death upon the cross; grant that we, beholding his majesty, may be strengthened to follow him, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.  
**Preacher:** Robin Kingston

Theme for next weekend: Lent 3: Breaking Down Barriers  
 Readings for next weekend: Ephesians 2:14-19; John 4:3-41  
 Preacher for next weekend: Marge Tefft

#### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

This year's ecumenical World Day of Prayer prepared by Christian woman in another part of the world will be held next **Friday, 6th March at 10am in the Dixon House Lounge**. All are welcome.

#### MENZ PRAYER GATHERING

Thursday, 5th March, at 7pm at the Hokitika Christian Fellowship. All men are welcome. Robin plans to attend and has room for three others. If interested, please talk to Robin.

#### FUND RAISER FOR MIKE & JEANNIE

As you may remember, the former pastor of Elim Church, Mike Knott, suffered a stroke in January and is making slow progress with rehab in CHCH. The process involves living in CHCH for several months and is an unexpected major expense. A night of classic pop hits with *Geek and Geezer* is planned for this Saturday at Elim

Church, 41 Guinness St, to help raise funds for their stay in CHCH. Entry by donation.

#### CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER DAY

Our first prayer day for 2026 will be held on Saturday 7th March from 10am - 2pm.  
 Venue: The Salvation Army, 77 Shakespeare Street Greymouth  
 Our plan for this year is to explore some (maybe new) ways of praying, to bring us closer to the heart of God. Bring your journal, Bible, koha, and your lunch.  
 Please also bring something that you hold on to as you pray, for example, a cross, a stone, prayer beads, bible, song or prayer book ...

To register your attendance at the prayer day contact:  
 Sharryn McAuliffe  
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**Marge** Our current Vestry had its final meeting on Thursday and was delighted with the news from our church in Kumara.

Our parishioners in Kumara have always been a faithful congregation, but numbers have been very small over the last few years. Suddenly, over the last six weeks attendance has been around 15 including 3 children aged 2-12.

My thanks to all of the faithful parishioners and all of the lay people who have and continue to take services in Kumara. My special thanks to Rachelle and Evan Hunt for their passionate heart for Kumara. Please pray for wisdom as we look toward shaping services and offering opportunities for growing in faith.

Vestry also came up with a number of ideas for reshaping the Parish Fair into a more workable event given our present congregation's size and average age. I will be writing a "white paper" on this with a motion attached to be discussed and voted on for the AGM on March 26th. It will be distributed with the AGM booklets and annual financial statement. I encourage you all to reflect on it and attend the meeting to have your input.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

### HOW'S IT GOING?

Caesarea Philippi had long been a place of pagan polytheistic worship. It was a place of human sacrifice (among other atrocities) and there was a cave with a seemingly bottomless pool that was known as "The Gates of Hell". No "good" Jew would go there.

And yet, Jesus purposefully took his disciples to that awful unholy place to embed in their hearts his identity, the mission of the church that he would build, and the astounding power he would give the church over evil.

It was at Caesarea Philippi that Peter responded to Jesus' question concerning his identity and declared (confessed) that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of the living God.

Jesus responds that upon this confession he, Jesus, will build a unique community (the church), that Peter will be its founding member, and the church will not be conquered by evil but rather have authority over evil.

This was certainly proved true in Peter's life as he constantly testified to the identity of Jesus, was the first leader of the church, and healed many who were sick in Jesus' name.

So, who so you say Jesus is?

And how does your confession of faith affect the way you speak and live?

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

This year's AGM meeting will be on 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 and you wish it to be, please talk to Marge by this Wednesday (4th March).

### AGM ELECTIONS

Elections will be held for:

- **Vestry members** (up to 10 people) - Vestry is responsible for overseeing the finance, property, and mission of the church in months between AGMs. Currently Vestry meets in the evening of the 4th Thursday of most months.
- **Diocesan Synod Reps** (2 people) - Synod Reps represent the parish at the annual Diocesan Synod meeting (usually a Thurs-Sat meeting in Sept/Oct). This is for a three year term and also includes membership on Vestry so involves the monthly Vestry commitment as well.
- **People's Warden** - elected by the parish at the AGM. Along with the Vicar's Warden (who is appointed by the Vicar), the People's Warden has some extra responsibilities with regards to the Vicar, staff and parish. People's Wardens are members of Vestry and so this involves the monthly Vestry commitment as well.

**Please pray about whether you might be a person to serve in one or more of these capacities. Also, please pray for who you might nominate for one or more of these roles.**

Nomination forms are on the table in foyer. Please hand completed forms to Marge or Robin **by Wednesday 18th March 2026.**

If anyone has a motion of General Business that they wish to bring to the AGM, it must be submitted in writing to Marge or Robin **by Wednesday, 18th March 2026.**

### OUR DAILY BREAD

Copies of the latest edition of this devotional book are available on the table in the foyer. A gold coin donation in the offering basket to cover the expense would be appreciated.

### HEALING ROOMS TRAINING

On Saturday, 21st March from 9:30am to 3:30pm at Cobden Anglican Church, 40 Richmond St., Cobden, there will be training on the Healing Room model of ministry. The training is for anyone interested in the Healing Rooms ministry, but does not obligate anyone to become involved. There is no charge, but BYO lunch. Tea and coffee provided.

If interested, please contact Tim Mora 03 768 9605 or 027 204 8560

### FREE PROPHETIC SEMINAR

14th March 9:30am—1pm at Elim Church. Sessions on "Understanding Times and Seasons" and "Eight Ways God Speaks".

### HOPE BOOKLET DELIVERY

Once again we are joining with other West Coast churches to deliver about 6,000 booklets between 21 March and 4 April.

Our church is hoping to have at least 8 people to deliver about 170 booklets each. This takes about 75 minutes. There is a form on the table in the back of the foyer. Full details later.

### THANK YOU!

Hearty thanks to all who helped out while Robin and Marge were on holiday.

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