

Monday
31 Aug Marge & Robin's Day off

Tuesday 7am Breakfast Bible Study at Robert Harris Cafe
1 Sept 7pm Marge's Home Group @ 2 Redwood Pl

Wednesday 8am Parish Prayer meeting (Parish Centre)
2 Sept 10am Dixon House devotions (Marge)
1.30pm to 5.30pm CAIRA training in Parish Centre.
6:30-8pm Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House,
29 Carroll Street, Runanga
7pm Robin's Home Group at 109c Hanmer Tce

Thursday 1:30-3pm Robin's Home Group at Parish Centre
3 Sept 7pm Spiritual Gifts Seminar in Church Lounge

Friday 7am Breakfast Bible Study at Robert Harris Cafe
4 Sept 10-11:30am Kids 'n' Coffee (Church complex)
7pm The Shed Youth Group (186 Main South Rd)

Saturday 5 Sept 5pm Youth Church at The Shed (186 Main South Rd)

Sunday 2:30-4pm Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House,
6 Sept 29 Carroll Street, Runanga

Services 6 September

GREYMOUTH:

8am Holy Communion (with one hymn)
10am All age service with Holy Communion & Contemporary Music
2pm Holy Communion with Hymns

KUMARA:

10am Extended Holy Communion (Pete)

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**
Bronwyn & Jeanette

 **CHURCH CLEANING**
Jolene & Daniel Rhode

CHURCH MOWING
Tony Woollett 

Last Weekend: Attendance: 50
Offertory: \$ 3,533 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,904)
Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



**Anglican Parish
of Greymouth & Kumara
30 August 2026**

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

Theme: Sacrifice of Isaac and the Serpent on the Pole

Sentence: Abraham told his servants "Stay here, while my son and I go over there to worship. We will come back."

Readings: Genesis 22:1-13 (p 24); Luke 23:22-26 (p 1357)

Prayer for the Day: Father God, we worship you. We see in this event in how much detail you portrayed Jesus being sacrificed. This event, eighteen hundred years before the death of Jesus, shows how nothing is an accident in your will. Increase our faith, so that we may trust you totally for our salvation and eternal life. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Preacher: Robin Kingston

Theme for next weekend: The Marriage Supper of the Lamb
Readings for next weekend: Revelation 19:4-9; Matthew 25:1-13
Preacher for next weekend: Marge Tefft

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING

Prayer for the growth of the Kingdom of God on the Coast. This Thursday 7pm in the Cobden Anglican Church All men welcome.

OUR DAILY BREAD

The next quarterly booklets of daily devotions are in the foyer. If you are interested, help yourself. If you wish to give a donation, put a gold coin in the offertory basket.

ITEMS FOR THE FAIR

We are **NOT** accepting clothes, shoes, bedding, cushions, electrical items, or major items of furniture.

However, we are accepting trash and treasure household items, books, and toys. These items can be put into the Parish Centre garage or outside the front door of the Parish Centre.

We will also be selling plants & produce, baking, sweets, desserts, meals, etc. and these can be brought to the Parish Centre or Hall on the Friday or Saturday of the Fair (13/14 November)

We are placing a greater emphasis on anything to do with food this year

If you can donate 500gm packs of frozen whitebait, please give them directly to Robin to put in the freezer.



Musings from Marge

My heartfelt thanks to Robin and everyone who helped him over the last three weeks while I was in the UK to take a wedding for a friend. He was certainly well fed!

I had a lovely time with dear friends, and the wedding was very special indeed.

Much of the UK was experiencing drought and it was so strange to see not a single blade of green grass until I was in Cumbria. What surprised me, however, was that the weeds were green and, in some cases, flowering. It made me realise how easily negativity can flourish and what work we must do to combat it and the effort required to nourish the good and positive.

It is good to be back among you, but I am struggling with the jet lag. There are moments when I find it nearly impossible to keep my eyes open. Please forgive me if it happens during a service this weekend or my eyes suddenly glaze over while having a conversation!

Robin and I are excited to finally sit down with those of you who want to explore your spiritual gifts. Please see the notice on the next page for details of the workshops and the necessary prep for them.

With love and blessings,

Marge

HOW'S IT GOING?

It was when the Israelites were grumbling and moaning that God blessed them. The manna that God sent was a symbol of Jesus coming to save us from our sins. Jesus taught that He is the true bread of life.

The manna was white in colour, a picture of the purity of Jesus as the Son of God. It came every day, because Jesus is for ever our Saviour. However, the manna came twice as much the morning before the sabbath. This was so that the Israelites could prepare it before the sabbath to have a rest day once a week.

Jesus taught the disciples that the sabbath was a gift of God to enable us to have a rest once a week. It was primarily a gift rather than a test of obedience. It was an opportunity for us to truly worship and thank God.

The manna came in the morning to remind us to feed on Jesus daily through reading the scriptures. Everyone had to collect what they needed for themselves. Our decision to follow Jesus is an individual decision.

When they ran out of water God told Moses to strike the rock with his rod of judgement. The water that flowed was a picture of the Holy Spirit which would be given after Jesus was glorified.

The second time they needed water, Moses was told to take the rod of authority and to SPEAK to the rock. This was to show that, when we have received the Holy Spirit for ourselves, we have authority in His name. We are to pray for others, believing that God will work through us.

Unfortunately, Moses was so frustrated with the people, he struck it twice. This spoilt the intended symbol outlined above, that God made it clear that striking was wrong. Consequently, God stopped Moses and Aaron from going into the Promised Land.

So, how is your faith and obedience going?

WORKSHOP ON SPIRITUAL GIFTS

For those of you who are interested in exploring your spiritual gifts, our first workshop will be held this Thursday, Sept 3rd at 7pm in the Church Lounge. We will follow this up with Part 2 the following Thursday, Sept 10th.

If you signed up for this, there is a questionnaire with your name on it on the back table of the foyer. Please pick up your questionnaire, complete it, and bring it with you to the workshop on the 3rd.

If you did not sign up but want to attend, see Marge or Robin for a copy of the questionnaire.

FOSTERING – IS IT FOR YOU?

On Tues 22nd Sept from 7pm in church lounge. Alannah Gregan will talk about Open Home Foundations Fostering programme, what it means to be a Foster Parent and how you might like to become involved.

FREE HOME SAFETY INITIATIVE

An Occupational Therapist meets the person at their home for free home safety assessment. It can include installation of up to 2 handrails and a non-slip mat. Handrails are installed by a qualified builder for free. **Leaflets in the foyer.**

PARISH FAIR

Last week Robin gave an extended list of 6 tasks requiring helpers. Two folk have offered to help with the following:

1. Rosters: Put out sign-up sheets and ensure each area has enough helpers. Be the trouble shooter on the Saturday. **BEV YOUNG**

2. Box donations: Sort donations in garage before Friday of fair. **PAULINE MALLINSON**

Robin is now looking for a further 3 people to form a planning group with him. This group will consider how we want to best use our space to place a greater emphasis on food and identify the major tasks of the Friday & Saturday that will require team leaders. After this planning group has completed its work, specific requests for team leaders and helpers will be made.

DATE OF FAIR
Saturday 14th
November
11.30am to about
1.30pm

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