

School holidays
Marge & Robin's Day off

28 Sept Monday		
Tuesday 29 Sept	7am NO!!	Breakfast Bible Study at Robert Harris Cafe Marge's Home Group @ 35 Karoro Place
Wednesday 30 Sept	NO!! 10am 6:30-8pm	Parish Prayer meeting (Parish Centre) Dixon House Devotions (Tim) Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga
Thursday 1 Oct	NO!!	Robin's Home Group at 109c Hanmer Tce
Friday 2 Oct	7am NO!! NO!!	Breakfast Bible Study at Robert Harris Cafe Kids 'n' Coffee (Church complex) The Shed Youth Group (186 Main S. Rd)
Saturday 3 Oct		
Sunday 4 Oct	2:30-4pm	Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga

Services 4 October

GREYMOUTH:

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

KUMARA:

10am	Extended Holy Communion Eric & Diana)
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Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS



Helen & Raewyn

CHURCH CLEANING



Deb Johnson
& Rachel Tomlinson

CHURCH MOWING



Trevor Morrison

Last Weekend: Attendance: 66
Offertory: \$ 3,788 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,904)
Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



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

Theme:	Just Deserts (pronounced desserts)
Sentence:	"I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life."
Readings:	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 (p 1073); Matthew 21:23-32 (p 1255)
Prayer for the Day:	Merciful God, you gave your only Son to be both a sacrifice for sin and an example for godly life; help us gladly to receive all that has been done for us and follow in his footsteps; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.
Preacher:	Marge Tefft
Theme for next weekend:	Healing in the Name of Jesus
Readings for next weekend:	Philippians 3:10-14; Luke 10:1-2, 8-9, 17-21
Preacher for next weekend:	Robin Kingston

**ADULT HELPERS NEEDED FOR
FUND RAISER FOR SPRING CAMP**

The Shed is helping to pack down Book-a-rama, on Sat 3rd October at the old Greymouth High school Gym, from 1pm to 3pm. If you can help message, text or email Nicki Mora at email: nickimora@xtra.co.nz txt: 0274878560

or just turn up at 1pm on Saturday at the old Gym. This work is a fund raiser for The SHED's trip to Spring Camp on Labour Weekend.

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHIES

Our deep condolences to the family and friends of **Naomi Drogemuller** who died on Monday and whose funeral was held on Wednesday.

Naomi was a faithful member of this parish for the past 23 years. Marge boarded with her for 3 weeks during her internship in 2004 and fondly remembers her cooking and games of Scrabble. She played piano and organ at both church and rest home services, sang with the 10am music team, was a member of AAW, hosted Marjorie Newcombe's home group for many years, and cared for two of her sisters until their deaths.

Many will remember her passion for purple and elephants, and her delight in bright coloured hair and shoes.

Her purpose in life was to care for others. Please hold all of Naomi's family in your prayers at this time. May she rest in peace.



Musings from Robin

It is good to be home.

I was up in Nelson for 10 days to do some training in the ministry of Healing of Memories.

Watiri Maina had invited me to come to help train her and others in this ministry. She managed to get 20 people booked for the 8-hour training course held over last Saturday and Sunday. The participants were very enthusiastic and eager to see what part they could play in this ministry.

There were at least 5 who felt they could discern the presence of evil spirits, two of them being Adele Wilkins and Libby Truman, who both trained while here in Greymouth. A further 9 were happy to be prayer support during ministry sessions and 3 who felt they could lead a ministry session.

At the end of the course, we invited those present to consider whether they personally wanted ministry for past hurts. If so, they could book in one of 14 slots available in the mornings, afternoons or evenings the following week. We allowed up to three hours per session. All slots were filled. It was a busy time as many who had been on the course took the opportunity to be healed as well as to put into practice what they had learned.

With love and blessings, *Robin*

HOW'S IT GOING?

Last Sunday we learned of how Jonah ultimately obeyed God, making it to Nineveh and delivering the Lord's call to repentance. The Ninevites repented, God showed them compassion, but Jonah was angry at this. But while perhaps having preferred to see God's wrath vented against the evildoers, Jonah was reminded of the Lord's compassion towards those who turn back to Him.

800 years later, Jesus reminded His Disciples of such compassion through the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. For sure, all hired being paid the same, irrespective of however many hours worked, may seem unjust. And particularly when those hired last and worked the least time had escaped the heat of the day. But the Parable was and is a timely reminder that God's gift of salvation is for all – however far one has strayed from the truth and however late in life repentance has been left. Remember Jesus' message to the repentant thief crucified alongside Him?

Perhaps it is only human nature to think that as Christians we are better and deserve more. And understandably, we get frustrated when others seemingly less deserving get better rewarded. But the truth is none of us will ever be good enough to "earn" our salvation by good works alone. That comes through God's mercy and grace, afforded to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is a special gift to us and available to all who will accept it. And we can and should rejoice at every lost soul that is won back to the Kingdom of God.

So, how's it going?

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.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This helps to guide our prayers for the wider diocese and province. It is useful for those who pray for the wider diocese. Help yourself to a copy of the leaflet in the foyer. A sample of how you may wish to fold yours to use as a bookmark in your Bible is also there.

SUPPORT BTC

Go to the link below to see the various creative fund-raising projects that are on the go:

<https://givealittle.co.nz/event/bishopdale>

See Sept 6th "Marge Writes" for a fuller explanation. Extra copies of that newsletter are in the brochure rack in the foyer.

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. More details will be coming next month.

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

DATE OF FAIR

**Saturday 14th November
11.30am to about 1.30pm**

**sign-up sheets for various
jobs on the 13th and 14th will
be put out in due course**

FAIR RAFFLE WED & THURS

**11th & 12th November
at New World**

**sign-up sheets will be put
out in due course.**

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