

Monday 28 July	<i>Marge and Robin's Day Off</i>	
	1-3pm	C.A.R.E. afternoon tea
	5:30-8:30	KYB study group in Parish Centre
Tuesday 29 July	10-11:45	Ripple Group Module 3 (Parish Centre)
Wednesday 30 July	8am	Parish Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre
	10am	Dixon House Devotions (Barry)
	1:30-3:15	Ripple Group Module 3 (Parish Centre)
	7-8:45pm	Ripple Group Module 3 (Parish Centre)
	6.30—8pm	Runanga Healing Rooms, Community House, 29 Carroll St
Thursday 31 July	1:30—5pm	CAIRA in Parish Centre
Friday 1 Aug	10am-noon	Kids 'n' Coffee
	7pm	The SHED (186 Main S Road)
Saturday 2 Aug		
Sunday 3 Aug	2.30—4pm	Runanga Healing Rooms, Community House, 29 Carroll St

Services 4 Aug 2025

GREYMOUTH:

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

KUMARA:

10am	Extended Holy Communion (Samara)
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Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

 FLOWERS Rose & Jeanette	CHURCH CLEANING Ronel & Nico Maas 	CHURCH MOWING Jim Findlay 
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Last Weekend: Attendance: 52 Offertory: \$4,040 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,700)
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**HOLY
TRINITY
Church**

**Anglican Parish
of Greymouth & Kumara**
27 July 2025
*Growing Disciples of Jesus
Blessed to be a Blessing*

Theme:	Spiritual Health Check Part 1: What does a spiritually healthy person look like?
Sentence:	For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him—and all along he knew who would—should become like his Son.
Readings:	1 John 3:1-2 (p.1593); Luke 6:40 (p.1320)
Prayer:	Lord, I know I am not who I one day will be, but I thank you that I am not who I used to be. Please make me more like Jesus today than I was yesterday—and please answer that prayer each day until the day I stand before Him. Amen. (adapted from John Newton)
Preacher:	Marge Tefft
Theme for next weekend: Spiritual Healthy Check Part 2: Are you in love with Jesus?	
Readings for next weekend: Revelation 2:1-7; Luke 10:38-42	
Preacher for next weekend: Marge Tefft	

BISHOP STEVE'S VISIT HERE

Bishop Steve is coming on **Sunday 17th August** and is preaching at all three of the services in Greymouth. He is available to hold a confirmation service if there is anyone desiring that.

Confirmation is for adults who have been baptised in any Christian Church, and would like to make a formal commitment of dedication to follow Jesus as their way of life. It is particularly valuable for anyone who was baptised before the age 16.

It is also used as a form or reaffirmation of one's faith when one wants to commit more fully to the Christian way of life.

If you are at all interested, please chat to Marge or Robin. (Last chance!)

It will involve 3 or 4 training sessions with one of the clergy.

VESTRY SNIPPETS

Vestry was heartened by our current level of offerings and the increase in volunteers for many tasks around the parish.

It was noted that we do not yet have all the funds for our Youth Worker (Nicki Mora) and recognise that if further grants are not obtained, that we have enough in reserves to cover her salary and expenses.

Robin presented a 10 year maintenance plan for all of the property. There are some big jobs looming, but he also showed how they could be funded.

UPCOMING EVENTS

17 August—Bishop Steve Visits Parish
8 Nov—Parish Fair
3 Dec—Regent Community Carols



Marge The following is from an email I received from Tim Mora...

Pastor Hanna Massad who founded the Christian Mission to Gaza has made a special effort to come to the Coast for just 24 hours.

If you're like me you probably look at what's happening in Gaza with mixed emotions and thoughts. It's an unfolding tragedy. There will be sympathy for Israel because of the savage attack on Oct 7th 2023 where 1139 people were brutally killed but this will be mitigated by the devastation occurring in the Gaza strip and the suffering of so many who had no part in the attack. I've seen arguments that condemn Israel and others that offer a degree of limited support. Add in the recent history of the region and it's hard to know what to think.

Then there are the Christians who live in Gaza who already face oppression from Hamas and sometimes their neighbours and who are now also are living through the destruction of their homes and livelihood.

With that in mind it would be good to hear from someone who runs a mission into Gaza supporting the Christian church in that place who knows first hand many of the stories of those who live there.

[There will be] a public meeting for all the churches at Cobden Anglican on Mon Sept the 8th at 7.30pm.

HOW'S IT GOING?

Last Sunday we looked at the whole question of reading the Bible for ourselves at home.

Problem 1. The Bible is too big. Just remember that it is not one book, but a library of 66 books, all bound together in one publication.

Problem 2. Are we using a modern translation that is in ordinary, everyday English (or whatever your native language is)? For our home use Marge uses NLT (New Living Translation) and Robin uses Good News Bible.

Problem 3. We get enough from sermons. Not true!. These are general messages that may be useful for you or it may not. As you read for yourself, you hear God talking to you directly. Far better.

Problem 4. When would I do it? I personally find that it needs to be part of my routine daily. The time I control best is the early morning. If you are too busy, be radical. Set your alarm clock for 15 mins earlier, and then you have some time.

Problem 5. Can't be bothered. God loves you very much. He wants to communicate with you directly. Sometimes He puts thoughts in your mind after you have been praying. Most of all, as you read a small portion of the Bible (usually much less than a chapter), God will show you something about Himself, about Jesus, and there will be a challenge for you to change in some way.

How faithfully are you reading the Bible?

BIG CHANGE AT TE NIKAU HOSPITAL

Due to privacy concerns, the hospital is no longer making available lists of patients who request, or would appreciate, a visit from a pastor or pastoral visitor.

This means that if you or someone you know from our parish is in hospital, please let one of the clergy know immediately.

DIOCESAN PRAYER SHEET

This contains details of all the parishes in the diocese, and is useful when praying for another parish. Robin uses it to pray daily for another parish.

Collect a copy from the foyer if you are interested in the wider diocesan church.

ROTARY FUNDRAISER FOR POLIO

On Tuesday 29th July at 6 45 meet at the Regent Theatre for 7 pm screening of F1. \$25.00 per person. Any refreshments prior to the movie at your own costs. This is important as Polio is not yet eliminated World wide. More information from Pauline Mallinson.

HOLY TRINITY PRAYER CHAIN

The Holy Trinity Prayer Team is a confidential group which believes Philippians 4:6 *"Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything; tell God your needs, and don't forget to thank him for his answers."* Prayer requests go to Joanna, who passes on prayer requests and prayer updates to a text group. The group has been seeing answers to prayers. If you have a prayer request, would like to be added to the team or removed from the team, please contact Joanna Lorimer 027 380 2989.

AVOIDING ALTAR CANDLE FIRE

When lighting the candles, it is **ESSENTIAL** to avoid part of the match falling into the wax. If it does happen, blow out the candle and see one of the clergy about getting it out. **Better to use two matches than risk a bit of match falling.**

What happens is that the dead match acts as a second wick, which can cause the candle to burn rapidly or drip wax down the sides.

GREAT NEWS FROM TREVOR MORRISON

5 years ago the Holy Trinity prayer chain prayed for my daughter, Emma, as she faced surgery and Keytruda treatment after diagnosis of Stage 4 melanoma. All CT scans since the initial year of treatment have been 100% clear, and Wednesday this week her oncology team formally discharged her. Thank you, everyone who prayed.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER DAY

Our next prayer day for 2025 will be held on Saturday 16 August from 10am - 2pm

Venue: The Salvation Army, 77 Shakespeare St, Greymouth

Our theme for this year is
"PRAYING THE ORDINARY"
and today's focus

will be Mother Teresa.

As well as your Bible, journal, pen and your lunch,

please bring a small thing from your childhood, or something that is significant for you.

To register your attendance or for further information,

please contact Sharryn McAuliffe –

Phone: **027 207 3431** or Email:
mj.sp.mcauliffe@outlook.com

GRATEFUL THANKS

Nico Maas spent 4 hours on Thursday dealing with the ceiling lights of the hall, using scaffolding. Bob Stanger helped Nico with erecting the scaffolding and repacking it on the trailer. It is not that simple standing on the top platform to reach the lights which were about 6 metres above the floor.

LADIES BREAKFAST

8am Saturday 9 August at Hokitika Christian Fellowship, 26 Kaniere Road, Hokitika.

Local Stories of Grace

RSVP Rachael 027 514 3531

RIPPLE EFFECT COURSE

Still okay to join the "Tricky Questions" Module. If interested, see times and locations on calendar on back page.

NOTE: ALL sessions are meeting in Parish Centre this term

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