

Monday 9 February *Marge and Robin's Day Off*

Tuesday 10 February

Wednesday 11 February

**8am** Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre  
10am Dixon House Devotions (Marge)  
11am Granger House Devotions (Marge)

Thursday 12 February *Marge and Robin on Annual Leave until afternoon of 26th*

Friday 13 February **10-11:30** Kids 'n' Coffee (Church Complex)  
7pm The SHED (186 Main South Road)

Saturday 14 February Valentines Day

Sunday 15 February **2:30-4pm** Runanga Healing Rooms reopen  
Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga

**services 15 February**

**GREYMOUTH:**

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

**KUMARA:**

**10am** Morning Worship (Rachelle & Evan)

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**  
Tony & Margaret Woollett

**CHURCH MOWING**  
Trevor Morrison

Last Weekend: Attendance: 71; Offertory: \$3902 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,700)  
Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00

 **HOLY TRINITY Church**  
**Anglican Parish of Greymouth & Kumara**  
**8 February 2026**  
*Growing Disciples of Jesus*  
*Blessed to be a Blessing*

**Theme:** Waitangi Christian Implications  
**Sentence:** The Psalmist wrote "How good and pleasant a thing it is when God's people live together in unity."  
**Readings:** Micah 6:6-8 (p.1182); Luke 2:9-14 (p.1310)  
**Prayer for the Day:** God of our nation, you have called us to care for one another. Cleanse our eyes to see each other clearly, open our hearts to know our own mistakes, and build in us respect for each other's taonga. Help us to treat each other in an attitude of respect and trust and thus to hope together. Amen  
**Preacher:** Robin Kingston  
Theme for next weekend: A Meal with Jesus  
Readings for next weekend: Deuteronomy 14:23-27, Luke 14:12-14  
Preacher for next weekend: Pete White

**PARISH PRAYER MEETINGS**

Wednesday mornings at 8am in the Parish Centre. Finishes at 8:30am. Everyone is welcome to come and pray together, for people and happenings in our church. Please see Samara if you have questions.

**NEXT ROSTER**

Thank you to those who have sent your unavailable dates to Marge for the next Services Roster (1 March—30 June).

If you have forgotten, it's not too late to send them directly to Marge at—

[vicar@htcgreymouth.co.nz](mailto:vicar@htcgreymouth.co.nz)

**GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT**

A number of parishioners, together with many organisations in New Zealand, have been lobbying the government for many years to put through a bill about Modern Slavery.

A surprising number of people in NZ are

being treated as slaves, both as regards accommodation and also wages.

National and Labour have agreed to work together to introduce a Modern Slavery Bill and, using rule 61, to fast-track the bill into law. If passed, it will:

- Require big companies to report on how they are addressing and mitigating modern slavery.
- Strengthen protection for victims and survivors.
- Establish an anti-slavery commissioner.
- And other actions yet to be identified. Please pray for those drafting this bill.

**MARGE & ROBIN ON LEAVE**

Marge & Robin will be on leave for two weeks from this Thurs (12th Feb). They will be returning in time for Vestry on Thurs, 26th Feb. Please see Marge Writes on p. 2 for more details.



**Marge** My thanks to the many volunteers who are making it possible for Robin and me to spend a couple of weeks with our nephew from the USA touring the South Island.

**Writes**

the South Island.

During our time away (12th thru afternoon of 26th) there will not be clergy cover in the parish. However, Robin and I will remain reachable by our cell phones or email if necessary. Please use the phone numbers and email addresses given in the box at the bottom of this page. Samara Ewan, our Vicar's Warden, will be in town during this period and is also a point of contact if needed.

Please work out swaps if you cannot fulfill your assigned role on either the 15th or 22nd service roster. Please also let Pete White know the change for the 15th, and Samara Ewan for the 22nd.

I'm not sure that the next roster will be complete before I go. If not I'll complete while away and email copies to everyone on the roster.

Again, thank you to everyone for helping out during this time.

With love and blessings,

*Marge*

### HOW'S IT GOING?

Paul in Ephesians thrilled us with what being "in Christ" looks like (e.g. forgiven, holy, blameless, adopted as God's children, and shaped for good works).

He challenged us to walk worthy of being children of God with humility, gentleness, patience, love, and unity.

Then Paul warned us that we have an enemy that seeks only to sabotage our confidence of who we are in Christ and get us not to live in the way of Christ.

So, Paul charges us to put on the "full armour of God" so we can stand against the devil's tricks. This armour consists of—

- Belt of Truth—a life that is honest, truthful, and sincere as well as knowing the truth about God.
- Breastplate of Righteousness—a life of good character and conduct as we live from our position in God's righteousness that is ours in Christ.
- Boots of the Gospel of Peace—firm footing and readiness to share the Good News of reconciliation.
- Shield of Faith—trusting in God's promises even when Satan tempts us with lies.
- Helmet of Salvation—protecting our thought life by remembering that only God's saving power can save us.
- Sword of the Spirit—God's Word written and spoken in our hearts.

All these parts are held in place with prayer

So, how's it going?

### NOTICE FOR ALL GROUP LEADERS

Can you please email the Parish Office with the names of members of your group who attended your group regularly or occasionally during 2025.

### ADVANCE NOTICE FOR LEADERS OF PARISH GROUPS

Every year we are required to complete a brief questionnaire from the diocese. Each group leader will receive an email with a link to the form that needs to be completed and sent back to the diocese. This will happen some time in February or March.

One of their requests is asking for one or two comments that you have heard about the value of the group, and any significant growth in faith, ministry or discipleship.

**This year Jacquie Jones will be organising the sending out of the links once we receive them from the diocese and she will appreciate you letting her know by email (jjarm@kinect.co.nz) when you have sent it back.**

### AGM AND ELECTORAL ROLL

This year's AGM meeting will be on Thursday, **March 26th**.

You must be on the Electoral Roll in order to stand for Vestry, Synod Rep, or People's Warden and to have the right to vote at the AGM and any other Special Parish Meetings. It is also required to be appointed as Vicar's Warden.

The current Electoral Roll is posted on the foyer notice board. Please check to see if your name is on it. If your name is not listed, and you wish to be included, please complete the **YELLOW** form that is on the long table in the foyer and return it to one of the clergy.

### PARISH DIRECTORY AND PRAYER CALENDAR PRIVACY RULES

Our plan is to put out an updated list of parishioners with details of addresses, emails, and phone numbers. This will happen in early March after Marge and Robin return from holiday. We will also produce the 2026 Prayer Calendar that encourages us to pray for parishioners on their birthday.

Copies of the 2025 directory and prayer calendar are in the foyer for you to check. If you are happy with your details as shown there, you don't have to do anything.

**However, if something needs to be changed, please make changes in the appropriate entry. If you are NOT in them, and you would like to be included, please get a form from Robin that you can complete and sign that gives us permission to include you.**

### HOME GROUPS

A main focus of this year is to re-establish home groups. Please read "Marge Writes" in Jan 25th newsletter for more details.

If you are interested in leading or hosting or doing both, please contact Marge or Robin.

### HEALING ROOMS ARE UNDERWAY

The Healing Rooms are located at Community House, 29 Carroll Street, Runanga. Opening hours are—

Wednesdays, 6:30pm—8pm

Sundays, 2:30pm—4pm

Enquiries to—

Carolyn Killick 022 018 1060

or

Sophia Newman 022 197 9962

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