

Monday
3 August

Marge & Robin's Day off

Tuesday
4 August

Robin in Christchurch farewelling Marge
7pm Marge's Home Group @ 2 Redwood Place

Wednesday
5 August

8am Parish Prayer meeting (Parish Centre)
10am Dixon House Devotions (Robin)
11am Kahurangi service (Robin)
6:30-8pm Runanga Healing Rooms at Community House,
29 Carroll Street, Runanga
7pm Robin's Home Group at 109c Hanmer Tce

Thursday
6 August

1:30-3pm Robin's Home Group at Parish Centre
7pm Men's West Coast Prayer in Reefton
at Vision Church, 48 Shiel St, Reefton

Friday
7 August

10-11:30am Kids 'n' Coffee (Church complex)
7pm The Shed Youth Group (186 Main South Rd)

Saturday
8 August

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

Sunday
9 August

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

Services 9 August
GREYMOUTH:

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

KUMARA:

10am 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

Bronwen

CHURCH CLEANING

Tony & Margaret
Woollett



CHURCH MOWING

Ché Norris



Last Weekend: Attendance: 71
Offertory: \$3,831 (Budget weekly total needed: \$3,904)
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**Anglican Parish
of Greymouth & Kumara
2 August 2026**
***Growing Disciples of Jesus
Blessed to be a Blessing***

Theme: Specific Spiritual Gifts Part 3

Sentence: Peter wrote "Each of you has been blessed with one of God's many wonderful gifts to be used in the service of others. So, use your gift well."

Readings: 1 Peter 4:7-11 (p 1585); Matthew 5:2-10 (p 1226)

Prayer for the Day: Lord, we thank you for the way you have given each one of us, one or more spiritual gifts. Help us to use them in such a way that the Kingdom of God is built up, and those not yet believers, can discover the love of God through our words and actions. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Preacher: Marge Tefft

Theme for next weekend: How do we know we can trust the Bible?

Readings for next weekend: 2 Timothy 3:14-17; Matthew 4:1-11

Preacher for next weekend: Samara Ewan

CONGRATULATIONS IT'S A GIRL!

Our hearty congratulations to Harriët Curtis-Hoeve and Kyle Curtis on the birth of their daughter, Sophie. Sophie came into the world on Wednesday, 15th July at 3:42am via a C-section and weighing 7lbs 6oz. Harriët and Sophie are doing well.

See Marge to see a photo.

They have a capsule for transporting her in the early weeks but will eventually need a larger car seat that can grow with her. Marge would like to gift a car seat to this family from the parish. If you wish to contribute to this gift, please put your gift in an envelope labelled "Car Seat" and put it in the offering basket or give it directly to Marge or Robin. If you contribute online, please designate Car Seat in the reference. Thank you to all who have already donated.

WORD FOR TODAY

This devotional booklet for the next three months is available in the foyer. Help yourself to a copy. If there are spare copies there in two weeks' time, feel free to take one for a friend.

A gold coin helps cover the cost if you wish to donate by putting in the offering basket in the church.

MARGE ON ANNUAL LEAVE

Marge will be leaving on Monday to stay the night in Christchurch before catching the morning flight to Singapore and then on to London. She is delighted to be involved with the Marriage blessing of friends. She returns on Wednesday 26 August, but probably jet lagged. While she is away, Robin will be priest-in-charge.



Musings from Marge

Passport? check.

Ticket? check.

Enough socks? check.

And so, the packing goes. Make a list. Check things off. Put things in appropriate bag.

As I prepare for my upcoming jaunt to England for a special marriage celebration, I got to thinking about how well am I preparing for the trip at the end of this life?

Is Jesus my Saviour?

Is Jesus my Lord?

Do I forgive others?

Am I using my gifts and resources with humility and love to God's glory?

Am I cooperating with the Holy Spirit as he seeks to transform me to be more like Jesus?

Even as we prepare carefully for a holiday, may we prepare even more carefully for that "final" trip.

With love and blessings, *Marge*

HOW'S IT GOING?

The key to exercising any of your spiritual gifts is having a suitable attitude. It is being loving, caring, gentle, servant hearted, sacrificial and listening carefully to the ones you are helping, as well as being sensitive to the Holy Spirit.

Some of the gifts we looked at were:

GIVING: You delight to help others or groups either financially or with your time. You particularly support groups that are involved with the growth of God's Kingdom.

SERVICE/HELPS: You look for ways in which you can assist others with practical help or specialist knowledge.

MISSIONARY: Being willing to go or live where you believe God is calling you, even if it is personally difficult. This is not just for those who wish to be full time missionaries overseas.

EVANGELIST: You are often looking for ways to include something about God in your everyday conversations with friends or family, You are sensitive to the appropriate times, and you listen carefully to what they are saying.

HOSPITALITY: You delight in taking folk for a coffee or inviting them for a meal. You enjoy having folk stay with you. Some people have just parts of the gift, which is also very special.

Have you identified some of your gifts?

SPIRITUAL GIFTS (not an exhaustive list or full definitions)

Prophecy: sensing a word from Jesus

Pastoring: a heart for spiritual welfare of others

Teaching: skill to impart truth

Wisdom: the right word at right time for applying truth

Knowledge: without knowing naturally

Encouragement: boosting morale

Discernment of spirits: knowing what is of God and what isn't

Giving: joyful generosity of money, time, and things

Service/Helps: meets practical needs

Mercy: heart for those struggling

Missionary: going where God says

Evangelist: Telling others of Jesus

Hospitality: expressing God's love

Faith: Being certain God will act

Leadership: ability to lead others

Administration: make all work well

Miracles: expecting God to amaze

Healings: often with a specific area

Tongues & Interpretation of tongues

Apostle: spearheading new fellowship

Celibacy like St Paul to serve God

Intercession; praying on own or group

Craftmanship: arts & crafts

Music: choosing, playing & composing

If you are interested in learning more about and identifying your spiritual gift(s) and how to grow in them, please sign up on the form in the foyer.

WORKSHOP ON SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Using the list from the foyer, Robin will be trying to arrange a couple of times when the detailed work can be done.

The aim is to do two things:

ONE: To help each one who attends to discover their spiritual gifts.

TWO: To provide detailed help on the main spiritual gifts that each person has identified.

There will also be available some individual assistance to assist those who specifically request it.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER DAY

Our fourth prayer day for 2026 will be held on Saturday 15th August from 10am - 2pm.

The Salvation Army, 77 Shakespeare Street Greymouth.

This year we are exploring some (maybe new) ways of praying, to bring us closer to the heart of God.

On this day we will cover centering prayer and confession.

Bring your journal, Bible, a koha, and your lunch.

Please also bring your knitting or a craft or a book you are reading at present.

To register your attendance at the prayer day contact:

Sharryn mj.sp.mcauliffe@outlook.com or 0272073431

MEN'S WEST COAST PRAYER TIME

On Thursday this week men are invited to pray for the Lord to bring even more renewal on the Coast.

We meet at Vision Church, 48 Shiel St, Reefton at 7pm.

If you would like a lift, Robin will be leaving at 6pm. Just let him know.

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