

Monday 23 Sept	<i>Marge & Robin on holiday until 15th October</i>	1pm CARE AFTERNOON TEA 5.30pm Know Your Bible (KYB) in Parish Centre
Tuesday 24 Sept		1.30pm Tuesday Friends in Parish Centre
Wednesday 25 Sept		8am Prayer Meeting in Parish Centre 10am Dixon House Communion (Tim) 7pm Lavers Home Group at 18c Serpentine Rd,
Thursday 26 Sept		9am Pastoral Care meeting in Parish Centre
Friday 27 Sept	<i>Emily's half day off from 12 Noon</i>	10am Kids 'n Coffee 7pm Youth Group at the SHED, 186 Main South Rd
Saturday 28 Sept	<i>Emily's Day Off</i>	

Services Next Sunday 29 September 2024

GREYMOUTH:

- 8am** Traditional Holy Communion
10am Family service with Communion & Music
 After Morning Tea—Prayer Meeting in Chapel
2pm Holy Communion
2pm Exploring the Christian Faith with Teenagers at The SHED


KUMARA: 4pm Making Space (Rach & Evan)

Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS

 Christina

CHURCH CLEANING
 Tony & Margaret Woollett


CHURCH MOWING
 Roger Lavers


Last Weekend: Attendance: 87 Offertory: \$4,008 (Budget total needed: \$3,700)
 Holy Trinity Church account # 03-0846-0012777-00



Holy Trinity Church

**Anglican Parish
of Greymouth & Kumara**

22 September 2024

*Growing Disciples of Jesus
Blessed to be a Blessing*

Theme: How do we respond when God says something challenging

Sentence: The disciples did not understand what Jesus meant, and they were afraid to ask.

Readings: Psalm 1 (p 692) Mark 9:30-37 (p 1290)

Prayer for the Day: Thank you Jesus for making us able to understand and walk with you. Please help us to bravely share our wrestles with you and keep coming close to you to learn and grow. May your name be glorified in our daily lives. Amen.

Preacher: Emily Holmes

Theme for next weekend: Keep it Simple
 Readings next weekend: James 5:13-20 (p 1579) Mark 9:38-50 (p 1290)
 Preacher next weekend: Emily Holmes

GIVING WITH ENVELOPES

The next set of envelopes for those using them for weekly or monthly giving will find a named set in the foyer. Please collect your bundle.

MARGE & ROBIN ON HOLIDAY

They are away from 17 September to 15 October. During that time they are thrilled to be able to leave Rev Emily Holmes as Priest-in-Charge for the period.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- 2 Nov—Parish Revisioning Day
- 9 Nov—Parish Fair
- 22 Feb 2025—Relational
- Evangelism Seminar

ACCOMMODATION NEED

Xmas Masaka is a Christian brother new to NZ and the West Coast. He is from South Africa and is needing to find accommodation here in Greymouth. Please pray for accommodation for him and if anyone can help please let Emily know.

RACE 4 THE ROOF FUNDRAISER

It has been great to see donations coming in from locals and from those beyond our district! Emily gave a quick intro about this fundraiser at Synod and it was well received. We have the Diocese and individuals cheering us on! Sharing this marathon fundraiser on Facebook is also helping local people and others to see what amazing facilities and community we have here. What a good adventure!



Emily Writes

Kia ora koutou Holy Trinity whanau!

I am delighted to be able to serve and journey with you over these next four weeks as Marge & Robin take a well deserved holiday. May they be blessed!

What a wonderful community you are. I have loved watching the way everyone cares for one another in the life-faith journeys. Thank you in advance for your patience and kindness as I find my feet and offer my part in this beautiful church family.

I look forward to how we might build up one another's faith in this spring season!

As it is Maori language week, here is a prayer for us... **Te whakamoemiti ki a koe, e te Ariki, te Kai-homai i nga mea katoa, Nau te ki, 'Inoia, a ka hoatu; Rapua, a ka kitea; Patukia, a ka uakina ki a koutou.' Kororia ki a koe.**

Praise to you, abundant God, for when we ask, you give; when we seek, you show the way. When we knock, you answer. Praise to you for your unfailing grace. Make us now your faithful people. **Amen.**

HOW'S IT GOING?

Wisdom from God. Wisdom is more than knowledge or information. It involves deep understanding, insight, discernment, and the ability for sound judgement. True wisdom comes from God.

Some **values** of wisdom: helps us succeed, helps us to grow in our knowledge of God, helps us to say the right thing at the right time, and enables us to help each other.

How do we get wisdom from God? Through the Bible (reading, pondering and living out what it says), prayer, spending time with God, from other Christians (like Jethro's wise advice to Moses, about having a team of leaders to help him), and ask God Himself for it.

Wisdom from **Jesus:** when we judge others, let's be full of compassion and mercy, for how we judge others is how God will judge us. If we share Jesus with people whose hearts are hard towards God, we can expect to be harassed or rejected. Keep on praying for God's provision and blessing, for people and situations. The Golden Rule – treat others how you want to be treated (show love to others).

So, where are you getting wisdom from? Remember to ask God for His wisdom today. *So how's it going?*

A PLEA FROM VOICE FOR LIFE

1. Please sign our petition to Repeal the 2020 Abortion Law (allowing babies to be killed up to and including at birth) Go to <http://voiceforlife.org.nz/> Select 'Get involved' and go to Abortion Petition.

2. Please sign the Petition to Repeal the End of Life Choice Act Law 2019 (Euthanasia) Go to righttolife.org.nz and click on Euthanasia. Closing date 30/9/2024. Both these petitions are very quick and easy to do online. Sadly paper copies are not available.

3. Take part in the Ministry of Health review on the End of Life Choice Act (Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide), closing 26 Sept 2024. Go to 'Family First - A Review of the End of Life Choice Act Survey' for very helpful information and access to the Min. of Health questionnaire. This will take more time but you might end up saving your own life!

4. Please pray fervently that the End of Life Choice Act will not be made worse than it presently is!

"BETSY" FOR SALE

For Sale. Nora Graves mobility scooter 'nickname' Betsy is for sale. Serviced annually by Y Mobility. Asking price \$7,000. (A new one would be \$18,000) Contact Christina 021 118 8138

ANOTHER BOOK REVIEW BY

JOANNA LORIMER

Streams in The Desert by L.B. Cowman

Mrs Cowman and her husband were extremely devoted, hardworking missionaries in Japan and China. They faced many trials and tribulations in their lives. When Mr Cowman developed heart problems they returned to the

United States. Mrs Cowman took care of her husband until his death, six years later. Mrs Cowman remained dedicated to serving the Lord for the rest of her days and wrote several books. Streams in The Desert was her first. In this devotional, Mrs Cowman has compiled scriptures, poems, hymns and writings from well known Christian writers.

If you feel like you are walking a dry and dusty desert road, just like the Children of Israel did, this devotional will provide you with life giving "streams in the desert." If you are feeling overwhelmed by trials and tribulations, this devotional will remind you of God's perspective. He is your loving Heavenly Father who will be with, whatever you are going through. He wants to prune you so you will be more fruitful. He wants to transform you into Christ's likeness.

Streams in The Desert is a daily devotional which was first published almost 100 years ago, and it is still relevant today. Look for it in our parish library.

HEALING ROOMS

The Cobden/Runanga parish are in the beginning stages of providing oversight of a Healing Room ministry. There will be a training day on 9 November at Cobden Anglican Church. Brochures with registration details are in the foyer.

ARE YOU CARING FOR A PERSON WITH A LIFE-LIMITING ILLNESS?

West Coast Palliative Care Service is offering free workshops for family or caregivers to support and encourage them in their role of daily caring. The Korowai Programme runs in 3 weekly blocks (2 hours per week) - the next course starts Wednesday 25th September 10am—12pm at Te Nikau Hospital. Check out the poster in the foyer for more details.

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