



News from the Anglican Centre · April 2015

Greetings everyone,

I hope and pray that Easter was a special time for you in your parishes. I spent most of the weekend at the Cathedral – had to preach three different sermons on Easter Sunday – plus conduct the Cathedral choir! I was really tired by Sunday night.

Easter still remains an evangelistic opportunity for us – people on the fringes still come ‘out of the woodwork’ for Easter Sunday in particular. I’m always looking to make the most of this opportunity by being creative in the ways we celebrate Easter so that we might draw people deeper into knowing and accepting all that God did through Jesus.

The next big thing around our parishes will of course be ANZAC weekend. It’s interesting how this weekend has become more important than Easter in the post-Christian world in which we find ourselves. There was nothing about Easter anywhere around Nelson – but all the banners were up with a red poppy in the middle and the words ‘we will remember them.’ The disappointed part of me asks why it is that we are so ready to remember those who gave their lives in war and forget the one who gave his life so that wars might cease! However, I’ll keep these thoughts to myself and just be as involved as I can possibly be in yet another opportunity that the culture still offers us. The Cathedral is hosting a special community ANZAC Service on the Sunday morning (26th), to commemorate the centenary of ANZAC landings at Gallipoli.

A few weeks before Easter I took the funeral service of my old friend and colleague Warwick Hearne. Warwick came to us at Nativity as a non-stipendiary Priest – having been ordained in Greymouth as a support to and for Archdeacon Robin Kingston. Unfortunately (for Robin) he was only there a year before his work transferred him to Blenheim. He became a very deep and personal friend – our children grew up together and we lived in one another’s homes. I was thrilled when he accepted the challenge to leave his work as a civil engineer and come full-time onto the staff at Nativity as both Pastor and parish Manager. He and Jenny were deeply loved in the parish and we were all devastated to watch the slow progression of MS rob his body of all strength. He is now at peace in the hands of the One he loved. Our prayers are with Jenny and their children, Mark, Nicola and Katherine. (I had the joy of having dinner with Nicola and Katherine while in Melbourne recently).

Last year I invited parishes to consider giving toward supporting our companion Diocese of Malaita in the construction of a Principal’s house for their new theological College. The target was \$10,000 and we raised and sent \$5,000. Two of the smaller parishes in the Diocese raised \$1,000 each! Not all parishes managed to contribute last year, so can I ask that all parishes come on board with this and that we do a final push during the next couple of months. Probably good to remind all parishes that a commitment to missionary giving *always* results in blessing being poured back on the giver.

Wayne and Kim Thornton will be leaving us at the end of May to take up an exciting new position in the Mangawhai – Wellsford area where a restructuring of parish boundaries has

seen the formation of a new parish and the building of a new Church. This is a real missional opportunity for Wayne and, of course, it takes him and Kim closer to their family. Wayne has contributed so much to the Diocese during his time in Motueka where he will be sincerely missed. He has been a member of Standing Committee and has been a contributor (and member of the planning team) to the Witness. He is a fine priest and a valued colleague.

Many have already noticed Owen Haring's engagement on social media. I am very pleased that Owen is looking ahead with renewed joy having met Jodi McKenzie (a member of Hope Community Church). Owen and Jodi intend to marry in December and do so with the love and support of the families.

We also note with deep respect Derek Harding's pending retirement as Priest-in-Charge of Spring Creek on Pentecost Sunday. Derek took responsibility for leading Spring Creek while a member of the staff team at Nativity. This little semi-rural parish quickly became the focus of his energy and attention and he has brought all his gifts and skills in transitional ministry to give confidence to each individual within the parish. It is now a parish with strong lay ministry. We are deeply grateful to Derek's ministry – the parish certainly is – and, at a time when ministry in and around Blenheim, is looking at new possibilities we look forward to drawing Spring Creek into those discussions.

I appreciated the opportunity to attend (along with Andrew Burgess, Nathaniel Petterson and Greg Holmes) the Anglican Futures Conference in Melbourne – and the launch of FCA (Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans) Australia. The greatest gift of a gathering such as this is the networking with people internationally who 'sing from a similar song sheet' to us. The keynote addresses from arguably the world's leading authority on Thomas Cranmer were inspirational and gave every single delegate a renewed confidence in our Anglican heritage that was unashamedly evangelical.

I am very aware that the period before Easter is a very busy one. We are only just getting back into the New Year when we find ourselves preparing for Easter. And on top of that we have parish AGMs. I'm so grateful for all that you do.

With every blessing

+Richard

PEOPLE AND APPOINTMENTS

- Rev'd Wayne Thornton (Motueka Parish) will be taking up a new position as Vicar in Mangawhai – Wellsford. Our love and prayers for Wayne and Kim as they prepare for their move north.
- Congratulations to Rev'd Owen Haring on his engagement to Jodi McKenzie.
- In May this year, Rev'd Derek Harding will be retiring as Priest-in-Charge of Spring Creek.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- For Jenny Hearne and family with the recent passing of Warwick, a deeply loved husband, father and friend.

EVENTS & NOTICES IN OUR DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

(refer also to 'Ministry Education' for details of training events coming up)

Children's Ministry Coordinator - Richmond Parish is seeking a passionate and motivated Children's Ministry Coordinator for 5 hours per week. The appointee will focus on developing the spiritual lives and general well-being of primary and preschool aged children.

Please apply to the Administrator church.onhill@xtra.co.nz 544 8844, more info on website www.holytrinityrichmond.org.nz

Inner Healing Seminars - Robin Kingston is offering two seminars on how to help people be healed from hurts from the past. This is using a concept called "Healing of Memories".

The seminars are for anyone who would like to learn how to be involved in helping others be healed, or wanting to learn about this area of healing for interest.

There are TWO SEMINARS. You cannot attend the second seminar unless you have completed the first one.

The first seminar is Friday May 1st from 7.30pm to 9.30pm and Saturday May 2nd from 9.30am all day, including the evening. The evening is a film called "Saving Mr Banks".

The second seminar is Friday June 5th 7.30pm -9.30pm and Saturday June 6th finishing at 9.30am-4.30pm.

The first seminar includes topics such as "How Jesus Heals", visualisation and practising it ourselves, use of Scripture and how to interview people who come for help.

The second seminar includes how to be open to the Holy Spirit, relationship with Jesus and God the Father. Breaking and changing habits, how to pray, deliverance ministry, inner vows, soul ties and generational sin.

The venue will be Holy Trinity Church Richmond. There will be a small charge of \$15 to go towards costs. Payment on the day. Please Contact David Hollingsworth to register on bpchaplain@nelsonanglican.nz or at the Anglican Centre on 03 548 3124

T4T Training – Bill Smith

Church Army is bringing Bill Smith to run a training event on this excellent evangelism tool. **Victory Parish April 18-19.** For more details contact Kaye Dyer kaye@mightymessage.com.

St John's College Trust Board Scholarship for funding in 2016 Application papers are now available for Scholarship Funding in 2016. There are two categories of Scholarship available: **1. Post Ordination; 2. Lay.** The application form covers both categories of Scholarship and is to be used for both initial and continuing applications. Completed forms must be with Bishop Richard no later than **Tuesday, 2 June 2015.** For those seeking funding to assist with further study or for sabbatical/study leave, please ask Anita for a set of application papers. Email: bishops.pa@nelsonanglican.nz

MINISTRY EDUCATION

TRAINING EVENTS

EQUIP MINISTRY EDUCATION

EQUIP is part of Diocesan ministry education and is designed at an appropriate for anyone to attend to learn about ministry skills. **Please advertise these in your parish and invite current and future ministry leaders to attend.**

Marlborough: (St Christopher's)

- June 6: Unit 4 Mission-Shaped Ministry
- September 5: Unit 10 Prayer (New)

Nelson/Waimea (St Stephen's Tahunanui)

- May 2: Unit 2 Handling the Bible
- June 27: Unit 4 Mission-Shaped Ministry
- October 17: Unit 10 Prayer (new)

Mawhera

- May 16: Unit 2 Handling the Bible (St John's, Westport)
- August 1: Unit 4 Mission-Shaped Ministry (Holy Trinity, Greymouth)
- October 31: Unit 10 Prayer (New; St John's, Westport)

Post Ordination Ministry Development (POMD)

POMD is on a Thursday and starts at 10am (coffee from 9.30 unless stated).

- April 30 Funerals (Marsden House; 9am start)
- May 21 CFM+Youth
- June 18 Elder+Social
- July 30 - Prayer - David Hollingsworth?
- August 13/14 School of Theology
- September - No POMD - Synod
- November 6 (Friday) - Willow Creek GLS2015 - will have a group "Nelson Anglican" booking
- November 19-20- Bishop's Retreat

CHURCH ARMY – APPRENTICESHIP IN EVANGELISM AND CHURCH PLANTING

For details see <http://www.ca-nz.org/whatwedo/apprenticeship/>

Willow Creek GLS 2015

In order to get a good group registration rate I have pre booked and set up a Nelson Anglican Group for the Nelson GLS, Friday Nov 6.

You can now register yourself and others from your church (lay and ordained) following the instructions below. You do not have to pay as this will be covered by Ministry Education.

<http://willowcreek.org.nz/product/gls-2015-conference-individual-rate/>

From here, people choose Nelson, number of registrations they want, then 'add to cart'. They then need to enter the coupon code: **Nelson Anglican** 'Update cart' – then 'proceed to checkout', where they can enter their details and also details of any others they are registering at the same time.

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Up and Coming Events

There are two Rural Ministry Events to note: Details to follow.

- South Island Forum – June 10 – a day forum in Christchurch for Dunedin, Christchurch and Nelson Diocese (10am-4pm). There will be funding to attend.
- Trans-Tasman Rural Ministry Forum – Early 2016.

RESOURCES

NEW Resources now available.

If you know of any good small group resources please let me know so we can update our supply. **EQUIP** DVDs are also available at Holy Trinity, Greymouth and St Christopher's, Blenheim for loan. **Please let your small group leaders know about these resources by passing this list on.**

NAME	TYPE	LOCATION
Network Course	DVD	Anglican Centre
Survivors Guide to Hell Pt 2 Rob Harley	DVD	Anglican Centre
Transformed – Rick Warren	DVD-book	Anglican Centre
Son of God Movie	DVD	Anglican Centre
Missional Small Groups – Scott Boren	Book	Anglican Centre
Making Small Groups Work – Henry Cloud and John Townsend	Book	Anglican Centre
Christianity Explored	DVD+book	Anglican Centre
Discipleship Explored	DVD -book	Anglican Centre
Soul Handbook – Older teens/Young Adults (Christianity Explored youth series)	DVD-book	Anglican Centre
CY (11-14yr; Christianity Explored)	Book	Anglican Centre
Animate "Practices" – Children Ministry Resource – Spiritual Practices. Spark House Publications	DVD+book	Anglican Centre

Online: via BTC/ Diocesan websites "Resources" sections.

BTC has now established a platform to make video presentations available at www.bishopdale.ac.nz/resources.

Questions on Theology and Science.

BIOLOGOS is an organization founded by Francis Collins, of dedicated evangelicals committed to the relationship between the Christian faith and science. They have a new site for "pastor resources" which has very good resources for many of the difficult questions people ask. Check it out <http://biologos.org/news/september-2014/new-pastor-resource-Centre>.

ISCAST (Institute for the Study of Christianity in an Age of Science and Technology) is an Australian organisation (with many NZers and expats) dedicated to exploring the interface between science and the Christian faith. Its membership consists of scientists, theologians and professionals with standing in their own fields and a commitment to the Christian faith. Their website has many good resources that tackle many questions about science and faith. See <http://www.iscast.org>.

The **InterChurch Bioethics Council** (ICBC) is composed of appointed representatives from Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches for the purpose of addressing crucial ethical issues in NZ relating to bioethics <http://www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz>.

God Bless - Graham



SOCIAL SERVICES ENABLER

Dear everyone – thanks to all who made the effort to get Accountability forms in to Deborah, Charles and myself over the past week or 2. It is a big job to collate them all in time for ACCT meeting this month. We are discussing trialling a different way to do this for next year so if you have any ideas as to what would work for you, then please let me know. I pray that you were blessed with many visitors to your Easter services. Till next month.

Blessings

Gerrie Mead - Social Service Enabler

ENABLER FOR OLDER PERSONS MINISTRY

Just a short message this month. I am looking forward to visiting parishes to preach and to speak mid-week also as well as the several Vestry meetings I have booked in my diary.

On the day I am writing this I attended the gathering of Senior Saints at All Saints Church and was very excited to see the numbers of people there enjoying friendship and fellowship and enjoying a beautiful powerpoint presentation of stunning photography by a local photographer who herself is of retirement age. One point of thanksgiving among many was the fact that people from the community are getting to learn about this group and are starting to come along. That fulfils the main objective of the OPMF. Well done to Margaret and her team.

As I get around the parishes I feel there is a real buzz in this special ministry and it is a joy to see.

At Christmas we think about our older people. Eastertime is another opportunity to seek them out and offer some friendship. Please mobilize your congregations to be aware of lonely people in your community.

Charles Tyrrell

The Very Reverend Charles Tyrrell QSO

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MINISTRY (CFM)

“Strong Together” the diocesan camp for 10-12 Year olds is but days away. 10- 12 April at Bridge Valley Adventure Camp. If you have any registrations or know of anyone planning to attend please note that the final day for registrations is Tuesday April 7th. This is shaping up to be a great camp.

Contact me cfm@nelsonanglican.org.nz if you require any registration forms or more information.

Safe Here-

Training in April and May:

Friday April 17- Modules 1 & 2- The Shed, Greymouth

Thursday April 23- Module 2- Victory, Nelson- 1.00 to 2.30pm

Thursday May 7- Module 3- Victory, Nelson- 7-8.30pm

Tuesday May 12- Module 1- Renwick, Marlborough- 6-8pm (includes dinner)

Thursday May 14- Module 4- Victory, Nelson- 7-8.30pm

June:

Tuesday June 9- Module 2- Renwick, Marlborough- 6-8pm (includes dinner)

Saturday June 13- Modules 3 & 4- Westport- 9am-12.30pm

I am hearing about some amazing weekly ministries and ministry events throughout the diocese. This is very encouraging. Thank you for your commitment to Children and Families Ministry within your parishes and please contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Sue Fallow - CFM Enabler
cfm@nelsonanglican.nz

YOUTH COORDINATOR

'Raising up the next generation with a passion for Christ'



Hi everyone it was heaps of fun hanging out with the combined Nelson / Waimea youth groups last Friday night. The beach soccer and the BBQ were cranking and sand sculptures were interestingly creative? So encouraging to see over 30 young people catching up together for a great night out - big thankyou to St Stephens for hosting this time around.

Nel/Wai YG'15 - The Nelson and Waimea youth groups are combining each term this year which is a great initiative - it allows the youth to meet up as a big group and say hi and gives the leaders a chance to make connections and pool resources for a night. Friday 12 June – hosted by St Barnabas Stoke



Charge Leadership: Marlborough Wed 29 April - Nelson / Waimea Thurs 30 April

40 Hour Famine weekend: Friday 22 to Sunday 24 May (Possible combined youth event?)

New young adults event in Nelson: Thursday 4 June (More exciting details soon)

Op Shop ball: Friday 12 June (Combined Nelson / Waimea youth groups event)

Charge Leadership: Marlborough Wed 24 June - Nelson / Waimea Thurs 25 June

Band Camp: Friday 10 to Sunday 12 July (School holidays - registrations out late May)

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NATHAN HUGHES: Youth Assistant Mobile 021 1103 322 youth.assist@nelsonanglican.nz

BISHOP SUTTON LIBRARY

Two books added to the Bishop Sutton Library Collection this month:

John Sentamu, Archbishop of York (ed): On Rock or Sand? Firm foundations for Britain's future London, SPCK, 2015

This is a series of essays by prominent clergy and academics who have been meeting regularly for four years since 2010 to discuss the social situation in Britain and whether government policies and financial pressures are undermining Society. The last, short paragraph in Archbishop Sentamu's conclusion reads:

" Individualism and consumerism are sand. Freedom, Fellowship, Service for God and neighbour, and the Rule of Law are rock. These are the firm foundations for Britain's future.

Geoffrey Blainey: A Short History of Christianity, Maryland, Rowman & Littlefield, 2011

This Australian Historian has written a fascinating account from "the Boy From Galilee" to the present. It is easy to read and a pleasure to dip into, with its' meticulous index and

list of sources. The text is well spaced with wide margins and open easily on the desk. I had forgotten what pleasure a well-produced hardback can bring.

Both books are available at The Bishop Sutton Library in Bishopdale Theological College. Please contact the Librarian.

Please let me know if you would like to borrow any of these books. And if you have come across a book you would like us to purchase for the library, please let me know. Elizabeth Dooley – Librarian Tel. (03) 548 8785 ext 4 Email : library@bishopdale.ac.nz

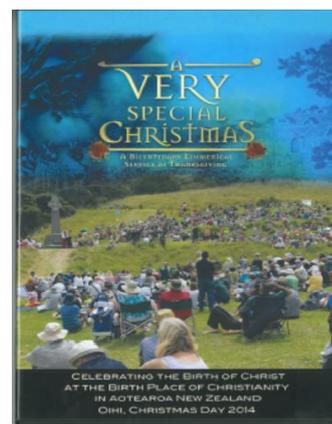
GENERAL NOTICES

Bicentenary Service DVD

We now have available the DVD of the Christmas Day 2014 Bicentenary Service at Oihi Bay. 'A Very Special Christmas – a bicentenary ecumenical service of thanksgiving' as broadcast live on TVNZ on Christmas Day 2014.

Just \$10 each (post included) it comes in an attractive colour cover (as attached), and the first 200 copies receive a copy of the service booklet, and the ecumenical 'statement for the gospel bicentenary'.

Orders to Anglican General Synod Office, 09-5214439
gensec@anglicanchurch.org.nz PO Box 87188 Meadowbank
Auckland. Cheques payable to 'Anglican Church General Synod'.



Golden Oldies Mission: Fiji

Are you interesting in joining a seniors group to visit and experience mission projects in Fiji? These successful, non-denominational tours have run for the last 3-years and are designed specifically for our 60+ aged group, the 'Golden Oldies'. The mission includes learning about an orphanage, medical centre and hospital, aged care home, a variety of churches including the 'tin cathedral', women's ministries, and visiting Fijian villages where we see projects to improve housing, sanitation, and education. The 12-day tour finishes with 2-nights at a resort to relax and reflect on what God has been revealing to us. It has been endorsed and has the support of NZCMS and the AMB too. Would you like to know more? Please contact: Graeme Mitchell, Team Leader, 021-460-338, email: graeme@goldenoldiesmission.org.nz;

The Golden Oldies Mission runs 15-26 August 2015, Applications closes 30 April.

Ellel Ministries (NZ) – Ellel Ministries is a worldwide non-denominational Christian organisation with a vision to equip the local church to bring God's healing to people. The aim is to grow effective disciples by helping to identify and remove blockages to walking in our true identity and destiny in Christ. For more information on the NZ Ellel ministry and programme of events in Christchurch for 2015 contact Paul or Jillian Larsen-Robertson on 021 269 8384 or info.newzealand@ellelministries.org

VACANCIES OUTSIDE OF OUR DIOCESE

Wellington Diocese:

- Rangitikei Parish – Full-time Vicar
An exciting opportunity for ministry exists within this rural parish of seven churches and 10 worshipping communities, situated in beautiful Rangitikei. We are a broad church that embraces an open, generous and sacramental ethos, and aim to build on the best of the past to lead us on the next steps of our journey towards continued growth of our churches, mission and outreach. The parish profile may be accessed on the parish website: <http://rangianglican.co.nz/>

Applications should include a CV and sent to: The Bishop of Wellington, PO Box 12046, Wellington 6144. Applications close Thursday, 30 April 2015.

Christchurch Diocese:

- Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst Parish – Full-time Vicar
The new vicar will live in the parish vicarage and continue the tradition of being visible and present to the local multi-community. Will have necessary gifts and skills to continue growing this established Anglican presence in the community. The parish enjoys liturgical worship and has an outstanding choir. The ability to enhance and grow the existing lay ministry within the parish is also important. For ministry description and an expression of interest form please email the office of Bishop Victoria Matthews of the Diocese of Christchurch at: bishopspa@anglicanlife.org.nz Application deadline: 15 May 2015.

Common Life Missions Conference (CLMC)

Dear Church Leaders, Mission Motivators, and anyone interested in the mission of the church. CLMC is held in NZ every four years.

This year **October 6 – 9 @ King's College, Auckland.**

Speakers include **Rev Dr Chris Wright**, mission partners from all areas of the globe and international presenters plus approx. 50 workshops exploring the 5 marks of mission. (Pray that visas will be granted for all who have made commitments to come.) If you have been before, you will need no persuasion to go again.

Start hunting for flights and register at www.clmc2015.org.nz after March 1st.

Accommodation:

On-site for 450 people, (Mainlanders will be given top priority)
& at Bishop Kito's Marae, 10 mins drive from the venue,
& via billets through Auckland church contacts
or at a hotel/motel of your choosing.

Please put this invitation in your church newsletters.

Rev Dawn Daunauda
Anglican Missions Board