



The Ad Clerum – April 2017

PEOPLE & PRAYERS

- For Christine Cousell with the sudden passing of her husband Allan. Allan's funeral will be at Nativity Church in Blenheim at 2pm on Thursday April 20th.
- For Bishop Richard and Hilary who head away soon after Easter, on sabbatical leave overseas
- We continue to uphold in prayer those we know who are unwell or undergoing treatment. For Ian Thatcher, Nick Kirk, David Hollingsworth, Andy Fallow and their families.
- For Nathan & Rosey Hughes and their daughters Ruby and Eva as they begin deputation for their ministry in South Asia.
- Congratulations to:
 - o Nathaniel & Simone Petterson on the birth of daughter Sophie
 - o Sam & Paula Anderson on the birth of their daughter Emma
 - o And Richard & Kaye Dyer on the birth of their granddaughter Gemma Rose

The following for your information and parish newsletters

NOTICES

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

St Johns College Trust Board Scholarship for Funding in 2018 Application papers are now available for Scholarship Funding in 2018. There categories are 1. Post Ordination; 2. Lay. Completed forms must be with Bishop Richard no later than **Friday, 2 June 2017**. Applications are for those seeking funding to assist with further study or for sabbatical leave. Contact Anita at the Bishop's Office for Applications papers or by email: bishops.pa@nelsonanglican.nz

Chrism Service - Clergy and Lay are invited to this service at the Cathedral. Thursday, 13th April at midday. There will be invitation during the service to renew ordination vows and baptism vows. All are welcome to attend.

Vaughan Park Residential Scholarship – 1. The Governance Board of Vaughan Park Anglican Retreat Centre invites applications for the annual Vaughan Park Residential Scholarship. **Applicants may be lay or ordained**, will hold a recognised level of tertiary education, be committed to an approved subject of study and able to be resident at Vaughan Park for the period of the Scholarship. **The following choice of 3 month periods is available:** March – May : July – September. Applications should be made, in writing, to the Scholarship Grants Committee of the Vaughan Park Governance Board and should include: a short biography, an abstract and overall context of the study, references from at least two and no more than three referees.

Vaughan Park Scholars, Writers and Artists Scholarship Opportunities – 2. We invite applications for three separate Residencies of one month in February, June and October 2018. Successful applications will benefit from a month's full-time study at the Centre in a supportive environment, which includes accommodation and meals.

Applications should be made in writing to the Scholarship Grants Committee of the Vaughan Park Governance Board and should include: a short biography, an abstract and/or portfolio and the overall context of the project your date preference references from two referees

Applications for the above scholarships close on 8 September 2017.

For more information including the criteria for application and the conditions of these Scholarships, please contact our Director, the Rev. Iain Gow at director@vaughanpark.org.nz.



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Registrations close 15 June 2017

For full details, see attached with this Ad Clerum email and please contact Phillip Donnell 021172 3244, pjdonnell@orcon.net.nz

Decade of mission Resource website - The Decade of Mission team have a resource, story, info website, which we would ask you to publicise, circulate, link to from all your platforms please. <http://tekareongawai.org/#tekareongawai>

MINISTRY EDUCATION

Why Ministry Education?

As I begin the year and occupy a space between the academic life of BTC and Diocesan ministry, I have been reflecting on the question "why do we do Ministry Education?" Within the Diocesan *Strategic Plan: Towards 2020*, strategic priority 3 captures the reason that Ministry education exists: *To develop confident, creative and spiritually healthy leaders across the diocese with a clear understanding of the gospel, discipleship and ministry as participating in the mission of God, reflecting a diversity of leadership styles and modes as appropriate to a range of ministry contexts, challenges and needs.* The outcome of which is *the identification, nurture and formation of a new generation of leaders (both lay and ordained) for fresh and reinvigorating ministry initiatives. To see existing leaders actively embracing opportunities to grow professionally for ministry with a clear sense of mission and outreach.*

For Clergy, this involves developing a culture of life-long learning and ongoing professional development within the Diocese, that enables all licensed clergy to strategically and intentionally reflect on their ministries and embrace opportunities to up-skill. For lay leadership, ministry education is about: *Identifying* those with leadership potential as well as people's individual giftings; *Equipping* lay leaders through training opportunities that are relevant to both their needs and parish needs; and *Empowering* by providing opportunities to be involved in ministry. One recent piece of feedback on lay training typifies this:

I have always found that I've gained a greater understanding of the subject matter of each course. I have more confidence in going out and sensitively sharing my belief on God, and I've found the group sessions very beneficial in gaining more skill in hands on stuff. I certainly go away from each session, really fired up and eager to watch for opportunities to use my newly acquired knowledge.

Through ministry education, may we all let God shape and use us as we seek to participate in the ministry of Jesus in this world.

EQUIP MINISTRY EDUCATION

For this year EQUIP is going to run a little differently. Rather than 3 Saturdays in each region, EQUIP is going to have a focus month in each region so that in that month, 4 evening sessions will be held on the topics of

- The Big Story of the Bible
- Handling the Bible.

These would be great events post-ALPHA, for home groups, and for training new leaders.

I'm aware that several parishes are focusing on ALPHA in the first part of the year, so we try and plan the events to avoid ALPHA. Now is a good time to think of those you want to get involved in training in 2017 or if BTC can tailor-make some training for your parish/region.

Suggested Months:

- Marlborough: September (7, 14, 21, 28)
- Nelson: August (3,10, 17, 24)
- Waimea: June (1,8,15,22)
- Mawhera: Oct-Nov (beginning after school holidays) (Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16)

POST ORDINATION MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT (POMD):

Post Ordination Ministry Development (POMD) is a 3-year programme for those newly ordained (and if required those new to the Diocese), and is a requirement of your ordination and Bishop's license. The aim of POMD is to cover ministry competencies for your current and future ministry and to build collegiality as a group.

The current POMD process is 2-fold. **First**, participation in a *Community of Practice* (replaces or sits alongside regional deanery meetings).

	Mawhera	Nelson	Waimea	Marlborough
Pattern	1st Fri	1st Thr	1st Thr	3rd Thr
January				
February	17	9		16
March			2	
April	21	6		20
May			4	
June	23	1		15
July			4	
August	18	3		
September			7	21
October	13	5		
November		23	2	16
December	1			

The **second** part is new for 2017 and replaces the previous POMD model of meeting 1 day a month. The plan is to meet three times each year; 2 one-day meetings, and 1 two-day meeting (Marae visit or Bishop's retreat). The aim for each day will be to discuss 2 ministry competencies. Please note a change to **FRIDAY to enable everyone to be there**. May and August events will be held in **Blenheim** (Nelson Folks hopefully we can carpool). *Suggested dates* (venue to be confirmed):

- **May 10:** New Wine is bringing Mark Griffiths to Nelson.
- **May 12:** Please purchase and read Chuck Collins, *Reformation Anglicanism: Biblical, Generous, Beautiful* (Newport Beach: Anglican House Publishers, 2014). This is a clear and easy-to-read description of Anglican DNA and a must read for clergy and anyone wanting to know what does being Anglican mean. We will frame our discussion on celebrating Communion around this. The second topic will be either "Executing" or "Building teams" (both relating to "Leadership") from the recent Willowcreek GLS DVD.
- **AUG 11** (FRIDAY)
- **NOV 9-10** (THR-FRI)

Daily Plan:

- Arrive 9.30am – coffee
- Begin 10.00am -Topic 1
- Lunch 12.30
- Begin 1.30 – Topic 2
- Finish 4pm

Competencies

1. Church Practices	2. Leadership and Management
• Baptism	• Vision
• Weddings	• Leadership
• Funerals	• Communication skills
• Worship: traditional and informal (communion)	• Church growth
• Anglican/bi-cultural/Marae Visit	• Conflict management
• Preaching (covered by the School of Preaching)	• Building teams
• Evangelism	• MAP
• Welcoming/Incorporation	• Spiritual Gifts
• Missional Ministry	• Time management, delegation
• Ministry to Children, Youth, Elderly	• Boundaries/SafeHere/Title D
	• Self Care

CALEB LEADERSHIP COURSE

The 2017 course is being held in Richmond July 25-Aug 4. For more details, see <http://www.caleb.nz.org.nz> or talk to me. There is funding available.

MINISTRY INTERNSHIP SCHEME

If you are interested in this for 2016/2017 now is a good time to begin a conversation with myself, your vestry and any possible intern. Please remember that an intern is a training position, so the intern needs to be working under someone with experience. We now have the exciting development of offering a 1yr fulltime certificate and diploma which majors on internship (20hrs per week) which would be ideal for any young person wanting to do a gap year programme or gain experience in Christian ministry. Our two internship options are:

- Fulltime Level 4 Certificate of Christian studies (Internship); Level 5 Diploma of Christian Studies (Leadership).*
- Fulltime BTC (4 papers/semester) and 10hrs ministry per week.*

ALPHA

A copy of the new Alpha film series is on memory stick at the Resource Library (Anglican Center).

ALPHA PRAYER COURSE

Journey through the Lord's Prayer with six short videos and a handy "cheat sheet" for each session, all designed to fuel discussion and deepen the prayer life of your church. Download all material **free** from <https://www.prayercourse.org/>

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

Online and Free

<http://courses.biblemesh.com/course-catalog/all/christianity-explored-course>

BOOKS TO READ:

- John Burke, *No Perfect People Allowed: creating a Come As You Are culture in the Church*, Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2007. (Thanks Marge Tefft for this)
- Matt Perman, *What's Best Next: How the Gospel transforms the way you get things done*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2017.

LENTEN RESOURCES:

- Auckland Diocese (Rev Sarah Park) Palm Sunday to Pentecost www.resurrection.nz

- Theology House Risk through Lent with Acts <http://www.theologyhouse.ac.nz/>
- Anglican Taonga anglicantaonga.org.nz

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
Willowcreek GLS 2016	DVD	Anglican Centre
New Alpha Film Series	Memory stick	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/media including the Rob Harley **Storytelling and Communication Master Class**.

Free Online Resources.

Free Lectionary/Theme based resources and for all ages.

<http://connectible.nz/> <http://localsharedministry.com/>

Book Summary sites

The Leaders Book Summaries www.studyleadership.com

Books at a Glance <http://www.booksataglance.com>

Let me know if you are interested in joining these

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. New Resource: <http://biologos.org/resources/the-big-story/>

ISCAST 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>.

InterChurch Bioethics Council.

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> and Facebook.

God Bless
Graham

SOCIAL SERVICES ENABLER

Dear everyone

1. Many thanks to those who have forwarded their **accountability reports** in time this year.
2. ACCT has been working hard to update the accountability form as well as the project application form – both are available on the Diocesan website.
3. Since February there have been an unprecedented amount of applications for grants from community agencies for school uniforms, school and holiday camps and

applications are coming in for winter firewood. We are extremely fortunate that we are able to assist children and families with access to a number of Trust funds. These are the Mary Foster-Barham trust (Nelson and Richmond) and the St Andrews trust (Diocesan-wide). There is also another small fund (Godwin trust) from which we could assist families outside of the Nelson area.

4. There is assistance for available to those eligible folks over 60 for specific needs via the Baigent Trust which is also Diocesan-wide.
5. It is important to note that people are not eligible to apply for themselves so if you know of anyone in need then please discuss that need with them and apply on their behalf if appropriate. SO... Please be aware – especially those of you in Marlborough, Waimea and on the Coast that these funds are there to apply to. Give me a call to discuss and/or access the application form direct on the website under Resources and Grants/Funding.

Blessings to you all - Gerrie

BISHOPDALE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Enrolments for Semester 2

We've had a strong start to the year, and have enjoyed welcoming our new students to College this year, including some new local fulltime students, our first international students, and a number of informal students from around the diocese.

Enrolments are now open for Semester 2, and must be completed by June 2 to avoid an enrolment fee. Our two intensives are '8th century prophets' and 'Missional Church Leadership', both running from August 21-25. It would be a great idea if you are interested in either of these courses, but are worried about the workload, to get in touch now as we can let you know about textbooks and pre-course assignments so that you can start preparing well ahead of time.

Other courses on offer include:

Level 4:

Basics of Christian Belief [Potentially an evening – to be discussed]
Faith in Action

Level 5:

Old Testament Introduction
Theology Introduction [Evening]
Mission, Church and Community
Formation

Level 6:

Church History: Reformation to Modern Times
Theology: God and Creation
Majority World Theology

The draft timetable is available at www.bishopdale.ac.nz/the-detail.

Please get in touch by emailing registrar@bishopdale.ac.nz or calling Kate on 03 548 8785, if you are interested, or would like to select your courses.

BTC School of Theology: 6-7 October 2017 – “Discipleship-Shaped Mission”

This year's School of Theology will be a 2 day event, run from 6-7 October. In 2017, we will be hearing from a number of speakers who will address issues of how theological insights can help us to live as discipleship-shaped missionaries, and to develop others in the same way. This year's event will be held at All Saints in Nelson. Keep the dates free – more information to come.

BISHOP SUTTON LIBRARY

New Books in the Bishop Sutton Library

Justin Welby – Dethroning mammon : making money serve grace. London : Bloomsbury, c2016.

In this Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book for 2017, Archbishop Welby explores how we can exchange a world view of "scarcity" for one of "abundance", through an attitude of worship. He writes, "Sin holds on to things, making 'it's mine' out of a gift". Only the Holy Spirit can change us so we can see that "what I receive, I treat not as mine, but as my opportunity to love".

Paula Gooder – This risen existence : the spirit of Easter. Canterbury Press, c2016.

Gooder asserts that the resurrection is "more than an event – it is a divine characteristic". She writes, "If we are in Christ, we become like him" and "we are called to become life-givers, life-breathers, life-makers. We become people who bear the resurrection with us wherever we go."

As "Easter people" we see the world through new eyes and realize that "nothing, absolutely nothing is beyond the life-giving creative love of God".

Quote for the day: "You are the only Bible some unbelievers will ever read" – John MacArthur

New Books for Ministry Training

Bruce G. Epperly. Starting with Spirit : nurturing your call to pastoral leadership. Herndon, VA : Alban, c2011.

Christina Cleveland. Disunity in Christ : uncovering the hidden forces that keep us apart. Downers Grove, Ill. : IVP Books, c2013.

Jennifer Patterson - Bishop Sutton Library Tel. (03) 548 8785 Ext 4 library@bishopdale.ac.nz

VACANCIES

Creation Care Study Programme(CCSP) – Christian Environmental Study Abroad, based inKaikoura: We are looking to hire two **Student Life Coordinators (SLC)** and a **Programme Administrator (PA)** for an August 11th, 2017 start date.

For those who are not familiar with CCSP, we are a study abroad program whose mission is to educate university students to be part of, and agents for, God's shalom, particularly through understanding and caring for creation. We are based in Kaikoura, New Zealand, and run two semester-length programs a year. You can learn more at www.creationcsp.org Please submit a resume with your application materials to Courtney Wilson courtney@creationcsp.org.

VACANCIES IN OTHER DIOCESES

Anglican Missions Board - OPERATIONS AND PROJECTS OFFICER

Anglican Missions is a non-profit organisation that seeks to fund and support overseas missions on behalf of the Anglican church. An exciting opportunity has opened up for an Operations and Projects Officer, with the right skills and experience to contribute to our Board's strategic directions and business plan, including a key focus on climate change. We are looking for a person with strong leadership skills due to their responsibilities as second in command to the CEO.

Specific tasks include but are not limited to:

- Designing, overseeing, implementing and reporting on the Board's Strategic and Operational plans;
- Assist the CEO to design and manage the Board's approach and response to natural disasters, particularly in the Pacific region;
- Prepare high quality project 'packages' and assist with securing project sponsorships;
- Look out for better ways to connect groups to projects overseas;
- Excellent and sensitive team builder.

Qualifications:

- Project management experience – aid and development sector.
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills.
- Excellent written, verbal and listening skills.
- Excellent at building and connecting great rapport within a team.
- Superb attention to detail and organisational skills.

- Creative problem solving and flexibility.

Preferred but not required:

- Knowledge about Anglican church ethos
- Knowledge about overseas missions

Please send a covering letter and CV to Metua Takairangi, Executive Assistant to the CEO at office@angmissions.org.nz or call (04) 473 5172. Our website is www.angmissions.org.nz

Diocese of Christchurch

- **St Augustine's, Cashmere - Full Time Vicar**

The Parish of Cashmere, St. Augustine's, is situated on the northern slopes of the Port Hills and the suburb has an expansive, open and unrestricted outlook over Christchurch City. The site, together with the very visible tower and spire of the church, has given rise to the parish vision statement "Aspire to Christ".

St. Augustine's Anglican Church is an evangelical/charismatic parish, with a parish roll of 245, having at its heart mission at local and overseas levels and a variety of worship styles. Central to the life of the parish is a strong pastoral ministry supported by part-time children and youth pastors. Home groups play an important role in parish life, providing discipleship, exploration of faith and pastoral support. We place a high value on strong Bible-based teaching and preaching. Weekly attendance in recent years has moved up and down and in 2015 and 2016 averaged 179. Closing **date 30 April 2017**

- **Vicar for Temuka and Te Ngawai Parishes - Part Time (70%)**

We invite applications for the positions of Vicar of Temuka and Vicar of Te Ngawai. Our mission is to reach the people of Temuka, Te Ngawai and beyond, with the life-changing message of Jesus, and to grow in obedience to Christ. Closing date **30 April 2017**

Parish profiles and an 'expressions of interest' form for all Christchurch diocese vacancies are available by emailing the office of Bishop Victoria Matthews of the Diocese of Christchurch: bishopspa@anglicanlife.org.nz or by phoning 03 348 6701.

Waikato- Taranaki Diocese

- **Anglican-Methodist Cooperating parish of all saints Bryant park, Hamilton**

The person we are seeking, who need not be a licensed minister, will have experience in a church leadership role and will have had some theological training. The salary, allowances, hours and tenure associated with the position will be established by negotiation.

Interested candidates should contact the office of the Bishop of Waikato, The Rt Rev'd Dr Helen-Ann Hartley for further details. Contact: bishopspa@waikatoanglican.org.nz For more information visit <http://www.waikatotaranakianglican.org.nz/information/vacancies>

Applications close: **noon Friday, 5th May**