



News from the Anglican Centre · December 2014/January 2015



Greetings everyone,

Sincere thanks for those who supported the recent 'pilgrimage' that I made around the Diocese to hear some of the stories that form our foundations here in the top of the south. In many places, these stories are related to the settler Church and we hear many of those. But there are also the stories of the interaction between Maori and European (missionaries) prior to the formation of the Diocese and these stories are not often found in our older Diocesan histories. I hope to be able to do a short video telling some of those stories that will be available on our website.

Standing at the site of the Wairau incident over in Marlborough – and then walking up the hill to the big memorial to the soldiers and surveyors who were killed - did make me reflect on the role of Captain Robert Wakefield and the actions of the New Zealand Company (particularly in Marlborough) that led to this very sad incident. As you may have seen on Stuff – or in the Nelson Mail, my comments about the plaque to Captain Wakefield in our Cathedral have certainly stirred up a great deal of comment.

I'll be representing the Diocese at the official service that opens the new centre at Oihi on 21st December but will return, to be back here in my own Cathedral for Christmas – rather than with the other Bishops at the 200th service on Christmas Day. Archdeacon Tim Mora is intending to lead a pilgrimage around the Bay of Islands and to be at that Christmas Day service for anyone looking to be there as well.

A couple of incidents over the past few months have made me so aware of the need to be careful in our ministries. The Diocese has yet to receive the findings of 'Workplace Health and Safety' to the fatal accident at Wakefield but it has made us realise, here at the Anglican Centre, how vulnerable we are when accidents happen. And then there was an incident between a Vicar and a Parishioner that was beginning to take on a life beyond that of the original complaint. This is why we insist on supervision and support groups for all licensed clergy and stipendiary ministries.

Some people may have misread my announcement in the last Ad Clerum that looked as though we were downgrading Diocesan Youth ministry from a full-time position. That is certainly not the case. The Diocese is subcontracting Luke to the parish of Stoke to develop a new ministry there for a 0.2 position. Stoke are reimbursing the Diocese for that time which will then go to employing someone on a 0.2 position here picking up on some key parts of the Youth ministry portfolio.

It was great to attend the annual 'local heroes' award for Nelson, Tasman, Marlborough and West Coast – that is sponsored by KiwiBank and presented at a simple function at Siefrieds winery last week. Tim and Nicky Mora were both nominated for awards for their work with the Shed and I felt very privileged to be with them as they received their awards (a medal and a citation).

Next year Rev Victoria Askin will be moving to a curacy position in Cobden-Rununga and Rev Joe and Susan Keighley moving into a parish position. Rev Owen Haring will be beginning a ¾ position here in this region. Unfortunately I can't give any further details because Ian Pask is still on holiday (until next Monday) and the contracts are waiting on his desk for signing. More info later next week.

Please note the Bishopdale Theological College graduation coming up at 7.00pm on Friday 12th December at the Cathedral. This will be our largest graduation so far with 12 students receiving degrees or diplomas. It has been an exciting year at Bishopdale Theological College, with two of our PhD students currently overseas; Rebecca Burgess is doing studies as a 'visiting fellow' at Fuller Theological Seminary and Kate Dugdale has a Fulbright scholarship and is at Princeton. Our College might be small but it is making a mark on the Church and in the Church.

Clergy, please note that we are currently planning the Regional Retreats for next year and will advise on possible dates shortly.

We are now in the season of Advent and the countdown to Christmas. I hope that all that has been planned will bring you joy – both the worship events over Christmas and the holiday time to follow. My sincere thanks for all that you have done for the Diocese and His Kingdom during this past year. May the blessings of Christ be with you and upon you.

Much love to you all.

+Richard & Hilary



Congratulations to Tim & Nicky Mora – awarded the Kiwibank Local Hero Medal as part of the New Zealander of the Year Awards 2015. In recognition of the work they do at The Shed. Pictured here with Bill Graydon, one of the leaders.

EVENTS & NOTICES IN OUR DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

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

Youth Unit Staff Vacancy – 0.2 or equivalent of one day per week.
Refer to advert in this Ad Clerum. Closing date 5pm, 11 December.

Evolve Festival – St Stephens, Tahunanui have booked a site for the Evolve Festival (Festival of Opportunities) January 23-25 2015. The site needs to be manned 10am-midnight Saturday and 10am-6pm Sunday. Material will be provided but we need a team representing our local Anglican churches to talk to the public and share our faith. If you can help in any way please contact Gavin Cole at St Stephens gavin@ststephenstahunanui.co.nz or phone 0210648511. Let us use this excellent opportunity to positively witness the Christian faith to people who are genuinely seeking answers.

BTC Graduation 2014 - Friday, 12 December at 7pm, Nelson Cathedral. All are welcome to celebrate with and acknowledge those graduating.

Carols on the Church Steps – A bicentenary celebration and Carols by Candlelight.
Commencing 8.45pm, Wednesday, 24 December.

Convergence 2015 – mark this date in your diary and plan on being there! Weekend of 20-22 February 2015 at Kaiteriteri. Convergence 2015 will feature a range of local speakers and artists. More information on www.nelsonanglican.org.nz or phone 547 5631, email convergencecamp@xtra.co.nz

MINISTRY EDUCATION

Please note below the suggested dates for both EQUIP and POMD in 2015.

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.

Suggested Dates:

Marlborough: (St Christopher's)

- March 21: Unit 2 Handling the Bible
- 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)
- November 7: Unit 10 Prayer (New; St John's, Westport)

If you know of any local/parish events that would not fit this pattern, can you please let me know.

POMD

Suggested POMD Dates (all on a Thursday).

- February 19
- March 26
- April 30

- May 21
- June 18
- July 30
- August 13 & 14 (School of Theology)
- September 17
- October/November Willow Creek GLS2015
- November 19&20 Bishop's Retreat

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION (CPE)

The dates for CPE 2015 have been set. If you are interested please contact me for further details.

Dates: 15 Weeks (approximately Apr 15-Aug 6). **Apply by:** December 15, 2014

Public holidays will be observed as holidays during this course.

- There is a maximum of 6 places available. The cost of the course per student is **\$2000.00** (a \$1,000pp subsidy is available from Ministry Education).
- Practical requirement: 15hrs/week of pastoral ministry (this is covered by normal parish work if you are involved in stipended ministry) + 5hrs reading/reflection/writing

Peer group seminars will take place at Bishopdale Theological College – two days per fortnight: 9am -3pm (followed by individual supervision as arranged).

- April 15,16,17 Wed, Thurs, and Fri
- Apr 30-May1 Thurs and Fri
- May 14-15 Thurs and Fri
- May 28-29 Thurs and Fri
- June 11-12 Thurs and Fri – midcourse
- June 25-26 Thurs and Fri
- July 9-10 Thurs and Fri
- July 23-24 Thurs and Fri
- August 5-6 Wed and Thurs

This year we are fortunate to have Rev Kath Maclean (Chaplain with Capital Coast District Health Board) and Rev Ros Sims (Priest-in-Charge of Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Wainuiomata) as the CPE supervisors who will run the course together.

MINISTRY INTERNSHIP SCHEME

If you are interested in this for 2015 now is a good time to begin a conversation with myself, your vestry and any possible intern. There may also be **new students enrolling in BTC** who are interested in a MIS placement, so please let me know if you maybe considering a ministry intern.

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.**

NAME	TYPE	LOCATION
The Jesus Lifestyle (Alpha - Nicky Gumball)	Book and DVD (discipleship)	Anglican Centre
God at Work (Alpha)	Book and study guide	Anglican Centre
Prayer Ministry Training (Alpha)	DVD and training manual	Anglican Centre
Ministry with the Vulnerable (SafeHere 1 and 2)	DVD	Anglican Centre; Bishop Sutton Library; Holy Trinity Greymouth; St Christopher's Blenheim
Puzzling Questions (www.puzzlingquestions.org.uk)	DVD and book – 6 week course	Anglican Centre
Too Busy not to Pray: Slowing down	4 sessions	Anglican Centre

to be with God (Bill Hybels)	DVD and study guide	
Becoming a Contagious Christian (Mittelberg, Strobel, Hybels)	6 sessions DVD and Participants guide	Anglican Centre
Gospel in Life: Grace changes everything (Tim Keller)	8 sessions DVD and Study guide	Anglican Centre
The Faith Effect: God's love in the world (World Vision)	5 Sessions DVD and Participants guide	Anglican Centre
Who do you think you are: Finding your true identity in Christ (Mark Driscoll)	9 sessions DVD and Study guide	Anglican Centre
NLT Video Bible	Audio and Text on DVD	Anglican Centre
ESV Video Bible	Audio and Text on DVD	Anglican Centre
"Can we trust the Gospels" and "The Gospel of Thomas and Gospel of Judas"	Dr Dirk Jongkind DVD	Anglican Centre; Bishop Sutton Library; Holy Trinity Greymouth; St Christopher's Blenheim
NIV Video Bible	Audio and Text on DVD	Anglican Centre
Bonhoeffer 4 Studies	DVD and Study Guide	Anglican Centre
Te Rongopai	Book – essay collection	Anglican Centre; Bishop Sutton Library; Holy Trinity Greymouth; St Christopher's Blenheim
Boundaries in Marriage	Workbooks to go with DVD	Anglican Centre
The Lost World of Christianity: The Thousand-year Golden Age of the Church in the Middle East, Africa and Asia – and how it died Author Philip Jenkins	CD-Audio Book	Anglican Centre Bishop Sutton Library
Willowcreek Global Leadership Summit	DVD	Anglican Centre; Bishop Sutton Library; Holy Trinity Greymouth; St Christopher's Blenheim
Network Course	DVD	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. Presentations available also include:

- Dr Dirk Jongkind: "Can we trust the Gospels" and "The Gospel of Thomas and Gospel of Judas"
- EQUIP 9: Working with the Vulnerable: SafeHere Units 1 and 2.

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>.

Check out the latest Press Release on Artificial Reproductive Technology <http://www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz/submissions/>

Be part of a national bioethics survey to see what issues Christians are concerned about.
Ethics is the study of ascertaining how people make decisions between right and wrong which constitutes an ethical dilemma. Bioethics deals with the ethical issues relating to scientific research and related technologies. It promotes careful deliberation of thought and analysis, and not about convincing people of a particular viewpoint or idea. Through this survey, the ICBC, wants to identify the bioethical topics that concern people today.

Some questions we struggle with daily include: Should legal highs be allowed in NZ? What are the benefits and harms of fluoridation? what about vaccination? Who owns embryos ... can I donate for a fee if it helps a childless couple? Is it all right to withdraw life support to granddad who is dying of cancer? Do modern technologies prolong life or prolong dying? Is informed consent applicable for patients under the mental health act? How can we reconcile faith and science? How does our understanding of God affect our thinking on bioethics?

We would like to obtain your feedback to help us understand the needs of our constituents regarding bioethics. Would you kindly take a couple of minutes to fill out this short survey? To maintain anonymity, no personal names or contact information will be collected. Be assured that the data will be kept confidentially and will only be used for evaluation purposes. Please go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H8MZ5RK>

God Bless
Graham

SOCIAL SERVICES ENABLER



Dear folks, No doubt the idea of new outreach initiatives is not top priority just at the minute however people in the community who are new to the power of God's love, are. I pray that the Spirit of God goes out ahead of your services this Christmas to touch the lives of folks who attend. May you and your families be blessed this Christmas. Applications for first round of Diocesan social services funding (ACCT) due with me 1 February 2015

Blessings

Gerrie Mead - Social Services Enabler Gerrie@nelsonanglican.org.nz

ENABLER FOR OLDER PERSONS MINISTRY

This year it has been a privilege to serve our God and the people of this Diocese in this ministry to and with older people. Thank you for the welcomes I have been receiving around the Top of the South, it truly is a unique place in which to serve.

With Christmas and New Year comes holidays but there is no break from some of the pressures of old age, the most insidious being loneliness. In a few places special Christmas meals are being put on for the loneliest people in the community: congratulations if your parish is one of these. If not, please put your people on ALERT to have the eyes and ears open in their neighbourhoods and to watch out for the signs of social isolation in the older community. Our diocese is full of loving caring people and this is an important way to show it.

I have made myself available to be Chaplain at the Flaxmore Care Home (formerly Naomi Courts) in Bishoptdale, Nelson. I am delighted to be given this opportunity to offer pastoral care to some really needy people.

Remember, Jesus wasn't born into isolation but into the bosom of a caring family unit. May we at Christmas '14 demonstrate this truth as we endeavour to care. I look forward to being of service to you all in 2015. Have a Happy Christmas and a Blessed New Year in Christ's wonderful service.

God bless you all,

Charles

The Very Reverend Charles Tyrrell QSO. charlest@nelsonanglican.org.nz

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MINISTRY (CFM)

Christmas greetings to everyone. I know you are right in the middle of preparing for a variety of services and events to wind up the year. My prayer is that whatever you do is a blessing to the Lord and to the people involved. May God bless you for all you have done in his name in 2014.

2015 is going to be another busy year for us all. **What to look out for from the CFM Enabler?**

- **Parish and ministry** visits, support and resources.
- **'Kneckt'** networking groups in each deanery once a term
- **Training** through the Scripture Union – June/July
- **New resources**
- **Intermediate Camps- Bridge Valley, April 10-12.** Marlborough still to be finalised.
- **'Safe Here'** –parish and deanery based training.

It is going to be a great year and I am looking forward to working with you. I wish you and your family a safe and joyous Christmas.

Sue Fallow – cfm@nelsonanglican.org.nz

YOUTH COORDINATOR

Hi everyone -

2015 dates and events

Next year is fast approaching and we're working to lock in some key dates to email out early next month so you can book them in and be there to experience the goodness. Keep an eye out for the next Youth mail-out. In the mean time here is a draft copy of things happening so far - if you have any youth events to promo remember to send them through so we can add them to the website ;) We're also encouraging our groups to work together more regionally, so have a think about some combined nights next year and what could work - if you'd like to host something lets start talking soon.



TERM 01 **Convergence camp / Charge Leadership**

(BREAK) **Easter camp**

TERM 02 **First aid training? / Charge Leadership / 40 Hour Famine**

(BREAK) **Band camp?**

TERM 03 **The Abbey / Charge Leadership / Fuse?**

(BREAK) **Synod?**

TERM 04 **Spring camp (Labour weekend) / Shed ball / Combined youth event**

*** We're also planning and looking into some new initiatives for young adults ministry! More about this and news about other exciting developments in the next few weeks.**

New website is live!

That's right - we now have a new home base on the interweb - the place to visit for all the latest news, events listings, youth ministry resources, photos, videos and local contacts as well as all the Spring camp photos and videos from this years camp!

www.nelsonanglican.org.nz/youth to visit the new Nelson Anglican Youth web site and take a look.

Resource of the month

On our new website you will find a handy link to the national 'Resourced' website for a whole heap of cool ideas for the new term as well as the latest Nelson Anglican Youth resources. Each month we will post a great feature resource you can download and put to good use. Need a resource? Let us know what you are after and we can point you in the right direction - we have a great stock of ministry content in the office ;)

ONE '20 practical ways to engage young people with the gospel'

TWO 'Failing forward' with David Riddell from Spring camp 2014'

Bridge Valley ROCKS!

Nelson Anglican Youth has forged a new partnership with Bridge Valley Adventure Centre - This means costs for events such as Spring camp will be a whole lot cheaper than previous years and there is the possibility Band camp will be based there too!

Bridge Valley would like us to put the word out and encourage any of our youth groups keen to run their own youth group camp to consider them (Cheap rates for off peak weekends!) they also have openings for keen kids camp leaders over the holidays plus they run a family camp over summer in case any people in your crew are interested. More details on the Website. (Family 'Island Paradise' camp runs 30.12-2.1)

Coffee and Crackers

SU host a city wide youth leaders coffee and crackers get together in Nelson for any keen people wanting to head along and catch up with other youth leader types

NEXT GATHERING Thursday 4 Dec at McCashins Cafe Stoke / koha for coffee

Our new website is up and running, check it out www.nelsonanglican.org.nz/youth
'Read the word of God, consume the word of God until it consumes you, believe the word of God and act on the word' - Smith Wigglesworth

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BISHOP SUTTON LIBRARY

The Bishop Sutton Library has been looking through our holdings of books on aging. Three recent acquisitions include:

Loving All of It. Edited by Gordon McLaughlin, published in 2010
This book contains 32 essays by prominent New Zealanders over the age of 65.

Nearing Home: Life, Faith and finishing Well. Written by Billy Graham and published in 2011.
A quote: "Explore with me not only the realities of life as we grow older but also the hope and fulfilment and even joy that can be ours once we learn to look at these years from God's point of view and discover His strength to sustain us every day."

Contemplative Aging: A way of being in later life. By Edmund A Sherman. Published 2010.
Intended for people age 60 and beyond who want to experience "a more peaceful, aware way of being through contemplative practices and to transcend the many causes of suffering inherent in later life".

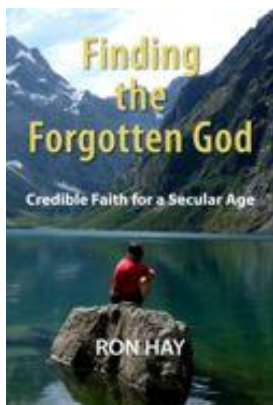
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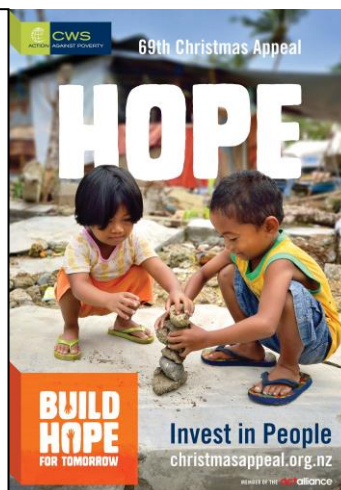
Te Harinui song – if you are interested in using this as bicentennial song, the version of this song can be found on Rev Bosco Peter's liturgy website. Go to <http://liturgy.co.nz/te-harinui> for the song Te Harinui.

Earthed in Hope: Dying, Death & Funerals – A Pakeha Anglican Perspective - this book by Rev Alister Hendery is available by ordering on line www.pgpl.co.nz 300pages: \$40 +p&; eBooks: \$25 ("*.....Alistair provides not only a comprehensive resource, but a wise, insightful and at times challenging guide across the uniquely privileged landscape the pastor is called to travers.*" ++Philip Richardson)



Finding the Forgotten God by Ron Hay – A brilliant explanation of the Christian faith which deals in a fresh way with the questions people often ask. This book was recently launched in Christchurch. Purchase on line www.daystarbooks.org \$27.99 +p&p

Build HOPE for tomorrow - Please support the CWS 2014 Christmas Appeal to help our partners do what they do so well. Worship resources and other materials are available at <http://www.christmasappeal.org.nz/>. Working together we can "Build Hope for Tomorrow".



Anglican Diary for 2015 – The diary is a one page per day with lectionary readings and collects from the NZPB, year planners for 2015 and 2016 plus information on the Bicentenary events. Cost: \$15.50 per copy plus GST. Email your order to david@genesis.net.nz or Ph 09 8153813.

The Marsden Cross Trust Board's new website www.rangihouaheritage.co.nz

It includes striking images, history and background and information about the two bicentennial events at Oihi on 21 and 25 December this year

VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE

➤ **NELSON ANGLICAN YOUTH - STAFF**

Nelson Anglican Youth are all about 'Raising up the next generation with a passion for Christ' and we are looking for a keen person who shares our vision to join the team and assist with our ministry to the Diocese in 2015.

Primary responsibility will involve assisting the Youth Coordinator with the administration, development, and facilitating of key Diocesan Youth events like 'Spring camp' 'Charge leadership training' 'Combined youth events' etc with secondary responsibility of providing administration support for new young adults initiatives.

The successful applicant will need to be a motivated, innovative and visionary self-starter who is passionate about young people and youth ministry. They must be competent in working with people and capable of facilitating an event. Experience in working with youth and being on a ministry team are essential for the role as are the abilities to relate and communicate well, interact with social media / technology and manage time efficiently.

This position is 0.2 or the equivalent of one day per week 'glide' time for a fixed one year term commencing 17 February 2015 - It will be based in Nelson. An information pack including a copy of the job description and application form can be obtained from: The Diocese of Nelson website [vacancies] www.nelsonanglican.org.nz or The Anglican Centre, 48 Halifax St, PO Box 100, NELSON or email office@nelsonanglican.org.nz For further information phone (03) 548 3124

Applications close with the Diocesan Secretary at **5pm, Thursday 11th December 2014**

➤ **Hills Community Church - Elder Care coordinator needed**

Hills Community Church, Mapua is seeking a coordinator for their Senior Moments ministry, this is a 4 hour per week position, the hours having some flexibility. Senior Moments is a once a month gathering of senior citizens living in the wider Mapua area. Senior moments has been in place for a year and the new appointee will be expected to continue this ministry which has a team of volunteers, confirmed funding (for at least 2 years) and excellent support in Mapua. For more information, job description etc please contact Rev John Sherlock (ph 540 3005) or e mail revsherlock.hcc@gmail.com

Closing date 12th December 2014

Convergence Camp

Bethany Park Camp Kaiteriteri
20-22 February 2015

For info phone 03 547 5631
email: convergencecamp@xtra.co.nz



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The Anglican Centre closes for the Christmas period on Wednesday, 24th December 2014 at midday and reopens Monday, 5th January 2015 at 8.30am. Bishop Richard and Hilary, along with the Bishop's Ministry Team and Anglican Centre staff, wish you a blessed and joyous Christmas.

