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Diocese of Dunedin Weekly News Update 6 November 2018

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Armistice Day: 11th November 2018

As we remember the 100th Anniversary of the end of WWI, Rev'd Vivienne Galletly remembers Hugh Liddon Richards who has an altar cross in his memory in St John's Church, Milton.

From 1900 to 1916 Bp Richards was Vicar of the Tuapeka. On 21 April 1915 Archdeacon Richards and his wife Gertrude were farewelled by the Parish for a

year`s visit to Britain.

Within a fortnight of that farewell (23 May 1915) their son Lt Hugh Liddon Richards (Otago Infantry Battalion) was Killed in Action on Pope`s Hill, Gallipoli and is remembered on the Lone Pine Memorial.

Another son Lt Robert Richards (NZ Field Artillery Brigade) was wounded at Gallipoli and Died of Wounds in Egypt 23 May 1915. He is buried in the Alexandria War Memorial Cemetery.

Their deaths are remembered in a beautiful altar cross which was presented by the Richards family. It was once in Holy Trinity Lawrence and is now in St John`s Milton.

A younger son, Reginald James enlisted in February 1918 as a 2nd Lt in the Wellington Infantry Regiment and was a Prisoner of War in Europe for some time before the hostilities ceased. After study at Canterbury College he taught in Britain and returned to NZ in 1932 as Headmaster of Christ`s College.

The family had another son Lionel who was ordained, Alice who was a State Registered Nurse (she died before her parents at the age of 37 years) and Ann (who lived to be 87years).

What might Hugh, Robert and so many, many others like them have contributed to their family and community if they had lived?

Many of the Richards family or their ashes are interred at Anderson`s Bay Cemetery.

Many of our parishes have memorials to the fallen that are part of their sanctuaries. We remember all individuals and families caught up in war: may they rest in peace and rise in glory.



Making our new Diocesan Educator feel at home

Rev'd Dr Michael Godfrey began work in the Diocese from yesterday -November 5th. Thanks for all the offers of accommodation that have come in, we have been able to arrange this with Michael. Below is some more information about Michael.

Michael writes:

Kia ora tatou

It really is excruciating, writing these sorts of introductions. In the next few months I will as best as I can prioritize getting to know you and your faith communities, and the stories of both. By that means I hope you will come to know me. A few broad brushstrokes may serve as an ice-breaker.

I am married to Anne van Gend (executive director of the Anglican Schools Office, which will now move south, too). We have two near-adult sons, Julian (18) and Jonty (16). As it happens Julian was and is heading

for uni at Otago this year, so all this is very convenient for him. Jonty is just finishing Year 13 and heading for Ghana, as you do, for the first half of a gap year.

For my 59 years I have wandered and wondered. I have lost count of the number of houses I've lived in since I was born in London. I left there after five weeks and meandered with intent ever since. I did however grow up mostly in Aotearoa New Zealand, theoretically on the Kāpiti Coast, though I was at Anglican boarding schools in Whanganui for ten years. That turned me into an atheist, though I converted to Christianity a few years later.

After a brief career as a broadcasting cadet with Radio New Zealand I changed horses, and occasionally studied English lit at Massey in Palmerston North. I provided enough evidence of study to graduate, and simultaneously somehow persuaded the Bishop of Wellington to take me on as an ordination candidate. For any of you who remember Bishop Edward Norman I suspect he accepted my vocational explorations in a state of shock that a graduate of one of his beloved private schools had produced a candidate for ordination.

I promptly fled to Melbourne where I had to go through the selection process all over again. I married the archbishop's daughter (her name was Anne as well, so we've settled over the years for the label "Anne 1"; her real name is Anne Penman), trained at Trinity College, was ordained and underwent my priestly beginnings. I remained in Australia for most of the next 25 years. My marriage to Anne 1 foundered, but not before we had produced yes, six daughters. I subsequently married Anne 2, who is not a bishop's daughter. You might sometimes meet Anne around the diocese in the years to come, though her work across the three tikanga keeps her extraordinarily busy. She is an Anglican priest, originally South African, but spent her childhood in

Taranaki. She later gained a degree in music and literature, as well as education qualifications, and after teaching in southern Africa trained at St. Francis' theological college in Brisbane.

Since my ordination in Melbourne in 1987 I have been somewhat mobile, wandering and wondering. Here on earth we have no lasting city! I have served the gospel for various periods and capacities in metropolitan, rural and remote Australia and provincial New Zealand (Whanganui, Whangarei, and Napier). You may be aware that I was somewhat conspicuously dismissed as Dean of Waiapu. I successfully appealed that dismissal as wrongful, but did not return to the position after the tribunal found in my favour. Instead I spent a couple of years writing, being a househusband, and exercising my preaching and presiding ministry at a small Tikanga Māori church in Napier. Then I was privileged to undertake a delightful eight month stint as Interim Priest in Charge in Wakatipu.

Over the years I have picked up a few qualifications in literature, theology, and more recently, conflict resolution, and undertaken a couple of stints in media. I have had a couple of books of New Testament theology published, suggesting that might be one passion. It is! More recently I have written one novel, though that has yet to find a publisher in a difficult market, and I am currently writing a second. I am also doodling away at a concordance of the lyrics of Bob Dylan, which should keep me out of trouble for another several centuries.

Apart from Dylan, I am also enthusiastic about literature and theology (when I can find time and stay awake long enough to read), several sports (I umpired and coached netball for twenty years), outdoorsy things like kayaking and hiking, lap-swimming. I am a frenetic walker, a keen observer of world politics, and lay-enthusiast for most forms of music (though my performance repertoire is limited to CDs, records, iTunes and Spotify!). I'm also a sucker for all animals.

I am very aware of the faults and failings of the institutional church and our Anglican form of it. Yet faults and failings are not the end of the story. Throughout my forty years of sometimes stumbling, sometimes dancing Jesus-following, I have stayed on board, believing this wayward, stropky and leaky waka is precisely the vessel God has called us into, to navigate, steer, rebuild and re-energise. I believe strongly that the taonga God has given us are the taonga we are called to use in proclaiming the good news of Jesus' hope-bringing, darkness-transforming resurrection. Together our task is to utilise the remarkable gifts our God has given us and use them to the best of our Spirit-enabled ability and the gifts' unlimited potential, exploring and proclaiming the Good News that Jesus is Lord.

See [previous article](#) announcing Michael's appointment



Bishop Steven's Diary 6 - 11 November 2018

If you wish to invite Bishop Steven to an event or make an appointment to see him, it is very helpful if this can be done through his EA Nicola Wong
bishops.pa@calledsouth.org.nz or 03 488 0826. Thank you.

Tuesday 6 November

Various meetings

Wednesday 7 November

AIB Meeting Auckland

Thursday 8 November

Various meetings

6pm Evensong - Cathedral

Friday 9 November

Marae Visit - with Anglican Family Care

Saturday 10 November

Various meetings

Sunday 11 November

10.45am St Martin's NEV Dunedin

7pm - Evensong at Cathedral

Monday 12 November

Day off



Murihiku - Southland Archdeaconry Happenings

Some events that you can plan to attend in Southland in over the next few months...

ARCHDEACONRY MEETING

Tuesday 6 November 12noon - 2pm or earlier @ Holy Trinity Invercargill.

Alec Clark will be reflecting on change during his time as Ministry Officer. Present with Alec will be the newly appointed Ministry Officer, the Rev Dr Michael Godfrey. More information about the content of this meeting to follow.

ARMISTICE DAY SUNDAY 11 November

Some useful resources are attached below that you can use.

INSTALLATION OF REV'D DAVID WRIGHT AS VICAR OF THE WAKATIPU 16 November

St Peter's Queenstown, 16 November, 7pm. There will be cars traveling from Southland.

If you need or are able to offer transport please contact Keith Gover.

DECONSECRATION OF St Bartholomew's, Athol 17 November

4:30pm Saturday 17 November by Bishop Steve. I understand that the old Lake County Press of 1928 has an article describing the consecration of St Bartholomew's occurring on 6 November 1928. It looks as though we will also be celebrating 90 years of history on Sunday 17 November. If others reading this know other bits of interesting history, we would like to hear it. Can those reading this please ensure that persons they know of who have connected with the Athol church and now living in other places know about this deconsecration event.

TALK SAFE - Suicide awareness workshop with Eleanor Ranstead @ Holy Trinity Invercargill

Holy Trinity, King St, Invercargill, Saturday 10th November, 10am - 2:30pm

Eleanor led a session at the Diocesan Ministry Conference earlier this year.

The workshop will be on 10th November at 10am - 2:30pm with 1/2 hour lunch. There will be morning tea from 9:30 - 10am.

The cost of the workshop is \$40 per person.

RSVP by 3rd November by ringing Holy Trinity Parish Office 03 2177729 or emailing office@holytrinity.org.nz

DECONSECRATION OF ST JOHN'S, INVERCARGILL

by Bishop Steven. Sunday 2 December 3pm. [Please see full article in this newsletter for details.](#)

FAREWELL TO ALEC CLARK at the Diocesan Office 1a Howden St, Green Island, Friday 7th December 2- 5pm

There will be cars traveling from Southland. If you need or can provide transport please contact Keith Gover. See [main article](#) for further information.

NIGHT CHURCH REMINDER

Night church happens every Sunday night in Invercargill except the 5th Sunday. 1st & 3rd Sundays a contemporary service @ All saints Gladstone and 2nd & 4th Sundays, a contemplative service @ Holy Trinity.

TAIZE SERVICE HOLY TRINITY

Taize at Holy Trinity Invercargill will restart in March 2019.

Keith Gover's contact details: keithgover@xtra.co.nz



Diocesan Fond Farewell to 2018 and Rev'd Canon Alec Clark: Friday 7 December 2pm - 5pm. Please RSVP by 23 November.

Bishop Steven and Lorraine warmly invite you to join in food and fellowship as we give thanks for 2018 and for Rev'd Canon Alec Clark who is stepping down from his role as Diocesan Ministry Educator. This is the annual Diocesan Christmas function but this year we are spreading the net wider as we farewell Alec.

Please see the attached invitation for details, including how people can participate electronically if unable to attend in person.

If you wish to attend, please RSVP to Nicola bishops.pa@calledsouth.org.nz or 03 488 0826 by 23 November.



Community Resettlement Hui 13th November 2018

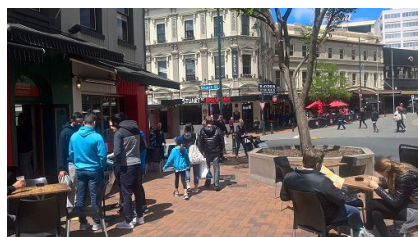
The purpose of this Dunedin hui is to prepare for and consider the needs of the Afghan community as new settlers under the national Refugee Resettlement programme. We have been advised this new group could arrive from March 2019.

The hui will also provide a chance to discuss what has worked well so far in resettlement within Otepoti Dunedin, and what opportunities / gaps still exist.

To assist with this we have developed a short survey of questions. We would appreciate you completing the survey by 5.00pm 12 November 2018.

The survey link is <https://goo.gl/forms/XadCi96dUf7sXZzj2>. The best way to access this is to copy and paste the link into your browser address bar on whichever internet search engine you use. We will bring preliminary results from the survey feedback to start the conversation on 13 November.

As food will be provided at this hui, could you please encourage your networks to RSVP to us. That will assist our caterer.



Ōtepoti - Dunedin Happenings

Some events taking place in Dunedin Parishes and other locations that we have been asked to advertise. Please contact us at registrar@callsouth.org.nz if you have anything to add here.

CTPI Open Lecture - Dr Andrew Shepherd: Apocalyptic visions and songs of hope

The Centre for Theology and Public Issues is hosting an open lecture on by Dr Andrew Shepherd, National Co-director, A Rocha New Zealand:

'Apocalyptic Visions and Songs of Hope: A Theological Reflection on Climate Change Communication'

Moot Court, 10th Floor Richardson Building, University of Otago, Wednesday 7 November, 5:15- 6:30 pm

This will be followed by a launch of the book *Creation and Hope: Reflections on Ecological Anticipation and Action from Aotearoa New Zealand*, edited by Nicola Hoggard Creegan and Andrew Shepherd

Seminar Room 5, 10th Floor Richardson Building, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

All welcome – poster attached

13th November 7.30 pm in St Peter's Caversham parish lounge, Hillside Road Dunedin

The Reverend Toby Behan was with the Royal New Zealand Ballet Company for a decade as a dancer and choreographer. His roles included Peter (*Peter Pan*), Jonathan Harker (*Dracula*) and Quasimodo (*The Hunchback of Notre Dame*). He now serves on the board of RNZB.

Recently ordained, he is currently a School Chaplain.

Toby will outline his faith journey and use his experience and observations from a career in the arts to offer some reflections on art, culture and society and the benefits of creativity in the lives of Christians.

See attached poster for more information

6 DAY SILENT RETREAT, March 2019

A 6 day silent directed retreat in the vast open spaces of the Maniototo.

Date: 3-8 March

Venue: En Hakkore, Orangapai (near Ranfurly)

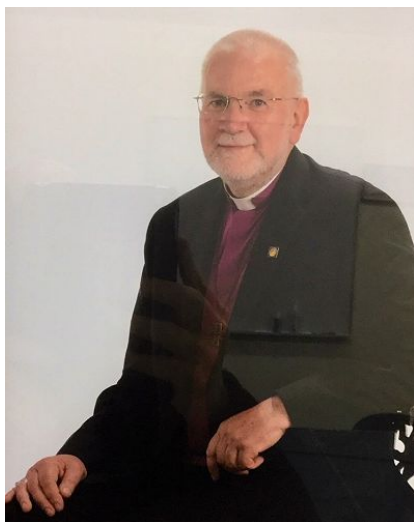
Time: Sunday 3 March 11.00am to Friday 8 March lunchtime.

Cost: \$475. Registration closes 22 February.

Retreat Team: Kelvin Wright, Barbara McMillan, Judith Anne O'Sullivan, John Franklin

Registrations and enquiries to John Franklin, john.franklin94@gmail.com

See brochure attached.



Bishop Kelvin Wright

Kelvin Peter Wright is our most recent past Bishop, serving the Diocese of Dunedin from 2010 to 2017.

Kelvin was the ninth Anglican bishop of the Diocese of Dunedin in Dunedin, New Zealand. Bishop Kelvin retired on Easter Monday 2017.

He was educated at St John's College, Auckland, the University of Canterbury, the University of Otago and the San Francisco Theological Seminary. Kelvin was ordained Deacon in 1979, Priest in 1980 and Bishop in 2010. He served as Curate at Merivale and as Vicar of Waihao Downs, Hillcrest, Sumner Redcliffs and St John's Roslyn.

Kelvin is currently engaged in a very "active retirement", serving as a Regional Facilitator for Anglican Schools of

Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia, as well as continuing to lead worship and act as a spiritual director. He lives in Dunedin and is married to Clemency.

Links to other articles in this series:

[Bishop George Connor](#)

[Bishop Penny Jamieson](#)

[Bishop Peter Mann](#)

[Bishop Walter Robinson](#)

[Bishop Allen Johnson](#)

[Bishop William Fitchett](#)

[Bishop Issac Richards](#)

[Bishop Samuel Neville](#)



Revised Handbook Section G: Parish Matters

Diocesan Council has approved an amendment to Section G of the Handbook. This is the part that deals with Parish Matters, and it now has an additional guideline 18: Management of non-stipendiary Parish Staff. The time sheet template has been amended slightly - follow the links below to access this.

Guideline 18 is a work in process – we hope to have information here that will be useful for Vestries, Wardens and others who support non-stipendiary (lay) paid workers in a variety of situations.

One part of this guideline that has been included in this new section is around Time Banking arrangements for non-stipendiary employees, and an associated time sheet template (see links and attachments below) that anyone paid by the Diocesan Office Payroll can use. Please note that time banking (explained in 18 a) to c) of Section G) is only available where there has been local agreement to do so.

The timesheet template is optional, but using it (or adjusting whatever you already submit to include the information on it) will be very helpful for Dominique Aitcheson who looks after our payroll. It allows you to note regular hours, holiday, sick or other leave so that we have a correct record of what is happening for individual employees.

[Link to Handbook Section G: Parish Matters](#)

[Diocesan Timesheet – Word Version \(November 2018\)](#)

[Diocesan Timesheet – .pdf Version \(November 2018\)](#)



Advent Retreat/Quiet Day - 10am - 4pm Saturday December 1st

Offered on behalf of the Southern Coastal Deanery and lead by Bishop Steven.

All are welcome at a Quiet Day as we enter the Advent period preparing for Christmas.

Reflections will be led by Bishop Steven.

Venue: St Margaret's Anglican Church, 4 Seaview Terrace Brighton.

To register your interest, please contact Maureen at maugernz@gmail.com

Further information will follow.



In the Media

In this space we highlight any recent media articles about our parishes and organisations that may be of wider interest. Please let us know if you see or hear anything from media in your community worth sharing.

Missions news- Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation update:

https://m.facebook.com/rwenzorispecialneedsfoundation.org/posts/1623198797784852?comment_id=1623257661112299&src=email_notif

In the National Media

(with thanks to the Diocese of Christchurch)

- [Vatican 'suffragettes' want Church changes](#)
- [Communion influence in the highest corridors of power](#)
- [Synods ban gay conversion therapy](#) (an article in Anglican Toanga that mentions our Synod motion as well as others)
- [Harry Potter or Theology? Both.](#)
- [Study reveals NZ faith trends](#)

- [Catholic bishop delays Christchurch cathedral decision](#)
- [I was in prison...](#)
- [Christian leaders urge Israeli PM to nix church lands bill'](#)
- [Role of youth highlighted at International consultation](#)
- [The sin and crime of plagiarism in Christian publishing](#)
- [Museum of the Bible pulls Dead Sea Scroll fragments found to be forged](#)
- [Church of England takes its modern slavery fight into primary and secondary classrooms](#)
- [Anglicans around the world responded to the annual ecumenical Season of Creation](#)

See also <http://www.anglicantaonga.org.nz/>



Heritage Survey

The Registrar (Andrew Metcalfe) has been involved in some discussions with the Interchurch Beaux and NZ Historic Places Trust. We are currently doing a very quick audit to identify any Church properties where heritage protection orders are causing property management difficulties.

If you have any issues that you want to briefly note for this survey, can you email this to Andrew at registrar@calledsouth.org.nz

Please include:

- Name of the property e.g. St Anyone's in (town/city)
- Purpose e.g. religious purposes, housing, parish hall
- Category e.g. District Plan listing
- Description of problem e.g. Public objection to nave extension design

We would appreciate hearing back from you by 9th November.



Diocesan Council Meeting on 13th November 2018

The Diocesan Council next meets on Tuesday 13th November from 10.30 am. Please continue to remember us in your prayers as we work on your behalf. If you have any correspondence or agenda items for the Council to consider, please contact the Registrar, Andrew Metcalfe, before the close of business on Tuesday 6th November.

Andrew's contact details: registrar@caldedsouth.org.nz
Telephone (03) 488 0821

Some brief notes from the Diocesan Council meeting on Tuesday 9th October 2018

- We received a number of letters relating to the Selwyn motion that was passed at Synod 2018. Please see the [separate article](#) on this.
- The Bishop reported that the Cathedral has nominators in place and the process for appointing a new Dean can now begin. Bishop Steve is in the UK from 17th October and returning on Friday 2nd November - the Vicar General Rev'd Gary Griffiths Smith will cover in his absence.
- The Diocesan office is in the process of negotiating a contract for a new telephone system as changes in technology meant that our current one will soon be obsolete. A new website is also in the initial development phase.
- Diocesan council members reviewed their representation on a variety of committees that report back to the whole group. As a reminder, the following ones are operating: Social Transformation, Stewardship, Discipleship and Mission Committees. We are also planning for a retreat day for the new year.
- We have developed a risk register that we will review as part of the Health and Safety section of our standing agenda. Topics include: Earthquake or other Natural Disasters, Legislative compliance, Vulnerable Children Requirements (we looked at a draft of a Diocese of Dunedin Child Protection Policy, Guideline and Procedure), Health and Safety Documentation and Compliance, Diocese viability and sustainability.
- A number of property matters were reviewed: St John's Parish Invercargill (where a working group is ensuring arrangements are on track) and the sale of some properties (a result of property commissions that have taken place in Balclutha, Milton and Taieri). Members of the Diocesan Council have also spent time with parishes who are exploring their future and are seeking some direction/support.
- We are currently finalising the appointment of a new Diocesan Ministry Educator, an announcement will be made in due course.
- We have also developed a new Section G in the Diocesan Handbook which will relate to non-clergy employees in the Diocesan Office and Parishes. There will be separate information out about this once it is ready to go live.

A reminder of who is on the Council:

The Rt Rev'd Steven Benford, Rev'd Joanna Fielding, Rev'd Canon Michael Wallace, Rev'd Andrea McDougall, Rev'd Dr Max Whitaker, Mrs Anne Gover, Ms Lisa Burton, Mr Fred McElrea, Mrs Trish Franklin, Ms Lynda Turner-Heaton.

In Attendance each meeting:

Mr Andrew Metcalfe (Diocesan Registrar – minutes), Rev'd Canon Alec Clark (Diocesan Ministry Educator), Ms Diana Abercrombie (Diocesan Child, Youth, Family Educator)

The Diocesan Council is the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Dunedin Synod as regulated by [Statute 1: To regulate the composition and procedures of the Diocesan Synod and to establish a diocesan council](#)



Anglican Family Care

Anglican Family Care has been providing the Family Start programme in Central Otago for one year.

The Central Otago News ran a story on Thursday about the service and what it provides – click on the link below to read the article: <http://www.thenews.co.nz/community/a-year-of-support-for-central-mums/>



Diocesan Website Under Development

A new Diocesan website is under development and we are looking for photographs that represent our churches and communities.

If you have anything that you would like to share, please email these to Andrew Metcalfe: registrar@calledsouth.org.nz

We are looking for pictures that capture the essence of what we do and are, preferably of people (rather than buildings) and fit into the concept of

"Responding to God's Call in Otago and Southland: Faith Communities reading the Bible, praying, living out the life of Jesus Christ"

Higher quality resolutions are best - please make sure you have the permission of any identifiable individuals in photographs to be shown on the website.



Our Organ Needs A New Home

The standard Hammond Organ from the former St Aidan's Church, Macandrew Bay, has been cared for in a Macandrew Bay home since the Church was sold. It is now looking for a new home, and someone to love it and enjoy playing it. If you are interested or know someone who would be and would like to know more about it, please contact Elizabeth Purdie (phone 03 476 1650).



Can you help furnish homes for former refugees?

The Red Cross in Dunedin is looking for donations to equip homes for former refugees.

They urgently need single sheet sets as well as single duvets and covers. Also they are very short on cutlery, mugs and double duvet inners. Any help with providing these items would be greatly appreciated !

Please deliver these items to the Red Cross offices located at 31 York Place, Dunedin.

Greg Hughson and Amy Armstrong Dunedin Churches Welcome Refugees Committee



St John's Invercargill: Remembering and Moving On

Planning is currently underway for the St John's Invercargill parish to move from the current inner city church facilities in December. Information on the 2nd December function now attached below.

There are two events being planned for current and former parishioners, as well as for any others who have an ongoing friendship and connection with the parish.

Final Service

This is being planned for Sunday 25th November. This will be an opportunity for people to remember and give thanks as well as look forward to the future. More details to follow, but mark this date in your diary.

Service of Decommissioning of St John's Church

This will take place on Sunday 2nd December @ 3 pm, followed by a function at Invercargill Working Men's Club at 5 pm. An invitation for this is attached below - please RSVP before 25th November to Dot Muir: garydotmuir@xtra.co.nz, 03-213 0474 or 027-4055218.

Have a look at a previous article featuring some [historical information](#) about St John's and about the [new era](#) that is taking place.



Spare office furniture available

The Diocesan office has two desks surplus to requirements.....

Please contact us if one or both of these can be of use to you, no charge but suggested a donation to Anglican Family Care. The desks are dismantled, ready for you to collect.

Please contact Nicola on 03 488 0826 for further information.



Child Care Funding Applications for 2019

Diocesan Council has approved an application process for those wishing to apply for funds as follows:

- Complete the following application form (see the link at the bottom of this article) and provide the supporting material.
- Send applications to the Social Transformation Committee, via the Diocesan Registrar, Box 13-170, Green Island, Dunedin 9052

Close off dates for applications is: **30th November, 2018.**

At the completion of the project, record outcomes of the project and report back to the Social Transformation Committee by their next meeting date, returning any funds not used for the project applied for.

Please note: The funds available are from child care investments to enable ministry supporting the welfare of children and young people only.

Please see the attached letter and application form for further information.



Installation of Rev'd David Wright as Vicar of Wakatipu

I am very pleased to announce that Reverend David Wright has been appointed as the next Vicar of the Parish of Wakatipu. The Installation service is at St Peter's Queenstown on Friday 16th November at 7pm. More details below.

Please note that this weekend is also the Queenstown Marathon and with the influx into Queenstown, parking around St Peter's and in the town will be very full. It is recommended that you arrive as early as possible for the service.



From Bishop Steven - Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Please find attached the Diocese of Dunedin Cycle of Prayer which is being distributed throughout the Diocese with my invitation and encouragement to use as part of daily prayer life in our faith communities, individually and collectively.

Please copy and distribute throughout your faith communities as needed.

Any amendments which need to be made for the next print run can be communicated to my EA, Nicola Wong (bishops.pa@callsouth.org.nz) or 03 488 0826 .



Strandz Advent Resources

Please see the link below to some great resources from Strandz for use in Children's Ministry for Advent.



Thy Kingdom Come

Plans are well underway for Thy Kingdom Come 2019 but for now - here are some of our summer highlights...

Thank you so much for being involved in

Thy Kingdom Come 2018.

We hope you are well and had a wonderful summer holiday.

It's been relatively quiet at Thy Kingdom Come HQ but we are back and ready to go with planning for next year! We can't wait to share our plans for 2019 soon but for now - here are some of our summer highlights...

'WHAT'S THE STORY SO FAR?' IMPACT REPORT

Now in its third year, Thy Kingdom Come has gathered millions of Christians worldwide to pray for more people to come to faith. We have produced a short impact report 'What's the story so far?' charting Thy Kingdom Come's journey to date including this year's highlights. The report can be downloaded [here](#) (included as link within this news story).

YOUR TESTIMONIES

We love receiving your testimonies from the 11- day period and beyond. Below is a wonderful testimony from the Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu, on continuing to pray for five people. Please do let us know if you have any stories or are still committed to praying for your chosen ones.

SAVE THE DATE

Next year's Thy Kingdom Come will take place from May 30th - June 9th so don't forget to put the dates in your diaries!

Plans are well underway for next year but we would love to receive feedback on how we can improve the way we work. If you have any thoughts send us an email at:

Thykingdomcome@Lambethpalace.org.uk

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Christmas Hours - Diocesan Office

The Diocesan Office will be closed for the Christmas holidays as follows:

Friday 21 December at 12 noon, reopening on January 14th 2019 at 8.45am. Please note that Dominique Aitcheson will be away from December 18th 2018.



Diocese of Dunedin - 150 years

At Synod 2018 a resolution was passed: "That this Diocese marks its 150th anniversary in 2019 with an appropriate celebration and that consideration be given to a written history being compiled."

It's a great idea to write an updated history - but it needs people who can actually do this! If you have any suggestions (or offers) about making this a reality, contact Andrew Metcalfe: registrar@calledsouth.org.nz

Any other bright ideas - please let us know (especially if you are keen on organising something from your own Parish, Church or Community).



Diocesan Prayers

If you know of anyone who would like their name to be included in this space, please contact registrar@calledsouth.org.nz

Please keep the following people and their families in your prayers:

Liz Duggan

Claire Johnson

Kathy Vidal

Val Davidson

A prayer for our Diocese

O Lord, who has not stopped forming us

since the hour of our beginning;

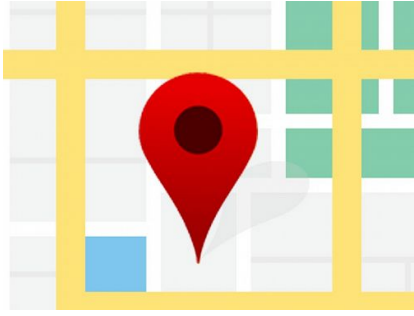
*Who has come among us to save us from ourselves
and to teach us to love;*

*Who dwells beside us and within us
and below us and above us,*

*Give us the grace to think again.
May we know the joy of true discipleship;*

*May our relationships with you
and with each other
be real and deep;*

*May we have the courage to give our best for the least.
In the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.*



Visiting Minister's and Expenses Claim Forms

The updated Visiting Minister's form for use from 26 July 2018 to 30 April 2019 is attached. There has been a slight increase in the mileage rate. The form has been updated on the website - Please use this new form for any visiting minister claims. The expenses Claim Form has also been updated and is also on the website (see below for link)

[Diocesan Forms](#)

<http://calledsouth.org.nz/downloads/diocesan-forms/>
