



The South Calling - Ko Te Tonga kei te Karaka

South Calling - Update 22 January 2020

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Please forward articles for inclusion in the next edition to bishops.pa@calledsouth.org.nz by 9am 27 January 2020. Thank you.



From Bishop Steven

Sisters and Brothers in Christ, as the holiday season begins to drift into the realms of memory and history we turn to look forward to what lies ahead.

And for the Benford family this involves a wedding and a baptism: Lorraine and I will be travelling to York in the UK for our eldest daughter's wedding (Ashley is marrying Richard) and our grandson Jack will be baptised. We will be out of the Diocese for about three weeks, and in my absence the Vicar

General – Rev'd Canon Gary Griffith-Smith – will be holding the reins, and he can be contacted via the Diocesan Office.

Having very much enjoyed being Acting Dean of the Cathedral for the last 18 months, I am delighted to be able to welcome the Very Rev'd Dr Tony Curtis SCP to Dunedin to take up the permanent position. Fr Tony – with his wife Rachel Slade, and children Gabriel and Ziva arrived in Dunedin last week, and are beginning to set up their new home. Fr Tony will be welcomed by the Cathedral community this Sunday – 26th January – and formally installed as Dean at a Diocesan Service on February 23rd at 4.00pm. (This has been arranged to be before Lent so that a suitable celebration can follow, and I would like as many from the Diocese to be there as can make it).

New Years come with new challenges and goals which can be both excite and generate fear. There are likely to be times of laughter as well as tears, times to build up and let go, opportunities to forgive and be forgiven... Let's walk into this year with Jesus Christ, and together take delight in all God has made for us.

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Beginning of a New Era for Friday Light

For over a decade Friday Light has provided a significant and unique ministry in the wider Dunedin area from St Luke's Anglican Parish in Mosgiel.

Until the end of 2019, this was led by Lindy Nevill (back row, second from the left facing the above photograph) and Jonathan Wood (front row), alongside a willing group of

volunteers who have helped prepare food, lead study sessions and generally be alongside people who are part of the Friday Light community.

On Friday 3 January a new era began with Judy McHugh taking on a part time paid leadership role which has been made possible through a successful Social Transformation Committee funding application. Lindy and Jonathan are taking some time out from Friday Light, while Judy will continue to support the team and Friday Light members as they look forward to the future.

Rev'd Sue McCafferty (Priest in Charge at Taieri) says:

"We are grateful for the wonderful leadership Lindy and Jonathan have provided over more than 13 years years that has established Friday Light as such a significant ministry and are looking forward to an exciting future and future growth under Judy's leadership".

Friday Light meets on Friday evenings throughout the year and seeks to meet the needs of people who may not be comfortable in a usual church context. Within a gospel framework that seeks to provide a genuine community, it offers **food for the body** (a shared meal), **fun** (everything from informal conversation through to games, DVDs etc), **friendship** (a safe haven of unconditional love and friendship that shares joys and struggles) and **food for the soul** (teaching about Christian faith that is accessible and encourages people to connect with God and find ways to put faith into action).

Please remember Friday Light in your prayers and check out the St Luke's parish website if you would like to find out more or become involved: <https://www.stlukes.net.nz/community-ministries>



Retirement of Reverend Richard Johnson

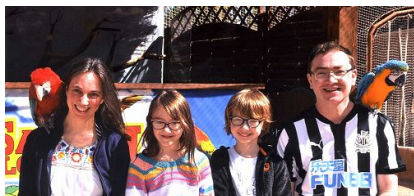
A warm invitation from Gladstone Parish, Invercargill, to join with them this Saturday 25 January at 6pm as they farewell and thank Richard and Sue Johnson and celebrate Richard's years of ministry with them. Please read on for details....

After a tenure of almost 19 years at All Saints, Gladstone the Rev'd Richard Johnson retires at the end of this month.

Richard and Sue will be farewelled at a potluck tea being held in the parish hall on Saturday, Saturday, 25 January

commencing at 6:00 pm. All welcome.

For any queries, please contact [Wynston Cooper](#).



New Dean of St Paul's Cathedral

A warm welcome to Father Tony Curtis, Rachel, Ziva and Gabriel, who have arrived in Dunedin for Father Tony to take up the position of Dean of St Paul's Cathedral.

I am delighted to welcome the Curtis family to the Diocese and Cathedral and have assured them of the love, prayers and warm welcome from our Diocesan family as they settle in.

Fr Tony will be presented with his Licence at the 10am service at the Cathedral this Sunday 26 January 2020 by the Vicar-General, Rev'd Canon Gary Griffith-Smith, in my absence.

The formal Installation of Fr Tony is at 4pm Sunday 23 February 2020 with a warm invitation to all our Diocesan family - Clergy and Lay to attend this Eucharistic celebration. Clergy and Lay Ministers are to robe please - white stoles. Please see the attached invitation for more details.

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A Question With +Steve at the start of 2020

On 15 January we asked +Steve: What are you looking forward to in 2020?

You can watch +Steve's response on the [following video clip](#):

(The rose pictured in the video is from a special cultivar given to the Diocese from the University of Otago, celebrating their

150 year anniversary in 2019.)



Annual Conference of Local Churches : 10am -2pm Tuesday 25th February 2020 at St John's Milton

Save the date.....

Please note that the Local Churches AGM has been set for Tuesday 25 February 2020, 10am to 2pm at St John's Church, Milton.

The Conference serves as a forum for Local Churches to discuss mutual issues and this year will also be electing it's representatives to Diocesan Synod.

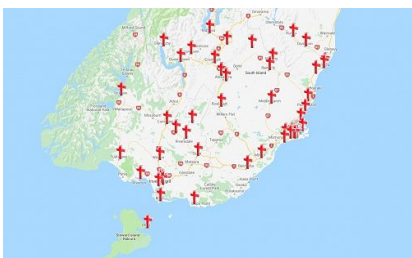
A copy of the notice and agenda are attached below and will be posted to each Local Church this week.

Please RSVP, with names of your representatives attending, to Nicola Wong,

EA to Bishop Steven, by Monday 10 February -

bishops.pa@calledsouth.org.nz or 03 488 0826.

Thank you.



Diocesan Events and Calendar

Read on for events throughout the Diocese, including further education and ministry training as well as a link to a calendar for regularly scheduled meetings. Let us know anything that your Parish, community service or other organisation is doing and we will place it here. Make sure you visit this page regularly and keep all that is going on in your prayers.

[Link to Diocesan Office Calendar](#)

Regular meetings and events at/organised by the Diocesan office in a monthly calendar format

[Link to Christian Calendar](#)

Dates for feast days and other Christian observations

Up-coming Meetings and Events:

Farewell and thank you to Rev'd Richard and Sue Johnson - All Saints' Gladstone Saturday 25 January @ 6pm. Potluck tea. Please see [this article](#) for details.

Local Churches AGM

Tuesday 25 February 2020 at St John's Milton, 10am - 2pm. [See this article](#) for more information.

Christians Against Poverty are holding a CAP's Church Leader Event on Wednesday the 19th of February. If you would like to attend please see RSVP details below and also please let Nicola at the Diocesan office know.

You'll hear about CAP ministries and the churches who are running them **throughout New Zealand** to help people find freedom **both spiritually and financially**.

This will also be a great time to gather with church leaders all throughout the region, share a free meal with one another, and edify one another as the Body of Christ!

The Details:

Date: Wednesday 19th February 2020

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm – tea or coffee available from 11:30 am

Location: Otago Museum in the Kākāpō Room, 419 Great King Street, Dunedin

Feel free to reserve your spot [HERE](#)

If you have any questions I'm always happy to chat, reply to this email or contact me on 09 281 0321.

Ngā manākitanga,

Miki Brooks

Church Partnership Regional Manager

Equipping for Ministry and Shared Worship Opportunities

Community of the Sacred Name - Saturday 1st February 11am - 11am - All are welcome to join Local Companions and Friends of the CSN Sisters at Holy Cross Church hall, cnr Ajax and Bellona Streets, St Kilda. Eucharist for the Feast of Jesus in the Temple. Shared lunch and meeting to follow. Koha for Holy Cross -

David Crooke, Chaplain.

Installation of Fr Tony Curtis as Dean of St Paul's Cathedral

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4 pm , Sunday 23 February 2020 - [see this article for more information.](#)

Planning for Invercargill Faith Thinking 2020 is well advanced.

In 2020, we have scheduled four seminars instead of the usual three. We have confirmed dates for three of these so far. More information to follow.

1) February 14/15 with Prof Murray Rae

2) May 1/2 with Prof Chris Holmes

3) August 7/8 with Dr Deborah Bower

4) The fourth seminar is confirmed with Dr Adam Dodds date TBC.

6 DAY SILENT RETREAT, 1-6 March 2020

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

Date: 1-6 March 2020

Venue: En Hakkore, Orangapai (near Ranfurly)

Time: Sunday 1 March 11.00am to Friday 6 March lunchtime.

Cost: \$480. Registration closes 21 February.

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

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

CURSILLO 3 DAYS late afternoon 17 April - mid afternoon Monday 20 April @ St Peter's College Gore.

[2020 3-day Cursillo Application Form \(Word\)](#)

(for 17-23 April 2020)

[2020 3-day Cursillo Application Form](#) (.pdf document)

[What is Cursillo pamphlet](#)

NIGHT CHURCH IN SOUTHLAND REMINDER - Once daylight savings finishes, there is an Anglican run service every Sunday night at 7pm in Invercargill. Taize service at Holy Trinity 2nd and 4th Sunday beginning Sunday 14 April and continuing approximately until daylight saving starts. All Saints Gladstone contemporary service 1st and 3rd Sunday throughout the year.

See also <https://www.calledsouth.org.nz/organisations/>

For Southland News to pass on, contact Keith Gover: keithgover@extra.co.nz or 027 222 4055
For all other news, contact the [Diocesan Office](#)



Governance Survey: how are you doing?

The Diocesan Council Trusts Board oversees all appointments to various Trusts associated with the Diocese of Dunedin. As part of finding out more about how things are going with various boards and committees, we have developed a self assessment survey. We also include information below about a new Governance resource for the wider church as well.

We are encouraging every board member to complete this (anonymous) survey which is based on a similar questionnaire that was part of the Governance Workshop that was held in August 2019. Information will be confidential to the Trusts Board, but we will feedback individually to each board what the survey reveals.

You can complete the survey [here](#) before 28 February 2020.

We'd also like to make Board members and Parish Vestries/Local Church committees aware of a great resource that has recently been published: **Good Governance is Worth The Effort: A Handbook for Christian Charities & Churches in Aotearoa** by Martyn Norrie

It covers topics such as:

- **What does a Governance Board Do?**

- **Do Boards change and develop as an organisation grows and ages?**
- **What are the implications of the Treaty of Waitangi for boards in Aotearoa New Zealand?**
- **What makes an effective Chair?**
- **What are the elements of an effective Board meeting?**

Each chapter has a series of reflective questions which are useful for individual and Board reflection (if everyone is reading the book together!)

An excerpt from Chapter 3 (pg 18-19) **What does a governance Board Do?** follows, where the author discusses three types of boards he has encountered: **Chronies, Controllers and Cooperators:**

Controllers

Some boards have a strong conviction that the CEO or Senior Pastor (Priest) is their "servant" and they can be extremely directive and controlling in their relationship with him or her. This often occurs when a new leader succeeds the founding leader and the founding leader stays on the board. The founding leader and their "cronies" may be invested in seeing that the status quo is upheld and can be resistant to any change or innovation that a new leader wants to initiate. A call for constant detailed reporting on the leader's activities... and domination of the leader at Board meetings is symptomatic of this kind of board. The board is often not open to new ideas and is resistant to any changes that the leader proposes... This is an unhealthy situation and there is a real danger that the CEO will leave the organisation rather than put up with constant negative challenges from the Board....

This book is available in two ways:

- Directly from the Author (Martyn Norrie) at the price of \$27 each plus postage of \$5.50. This is the fastest method of gaining a copy. Contact Martyn Norrie at martynnorrie@gmail.com
- Alternatively you can go online and order the book through [lulu.com](https://www.lulu.com). This takes 2-3 weeks to supply.

We are also purchasing some copies for the Diocesan Ministry Library - contact Michael Godfrey educator@calledsouth.org.nz if you would like to borrow this.



Dunedin Diocesan Trust Board (DDTB) Trustees

Applications for membership of the DDTB will be considered by the Diocese of Dunedin Trusts Board in February 2020. Please send any applications for this before 11 February 2020

Under the revised Statute 26 (passed at Synod 2019) each trustee of the DDTB is appointed for a term of three years and hold numbered seats. At the end of each financial year

"the number of members nearest to one third of The Board shall be deemed to have retired but shall remain in office until their successors are appointed". At its December 2019 meeting, three members of the DDTB were deemed to have retired: they may choose to reapply for another term, but also may choose to stand down.

We would like to hear from anyone who is interested in becoming a Trustee. We are especially interested in people who have an interest and (preferably) experience in governance and who can add to the diversity of this Board.

The board has two main roles:

First, it manages two investment funds (the Income Fund and the Growth Fund) as trustee for diocesan institutions, e.g. social services, residential and community based services, educational institutions and so on. These bodies deposit funds with it. The total funds under management in the two Funds is currently over \$32 million dollars.

The second major responsibility of the Board is the legal ownership of all Diocesan properties: it acts as a trustee for all Diocesan institutions including local churches and parishes, who are the beneficial owners, i.e. they make use of these resources for their mission and ministry. In this capacity, the Board arranges insurance of properties. It has also taken a leadership role in the assessment of properties for seismic stability.

The Board meets monthly, as does its subcommittee known as the Investment Committee. The Investment Committee monitors current investments to ensure the best returns possible and that they meet ethical business standards. It frequently conducts business by email outside of its monthly meetings as necessary. Board members are able to meet remotely (teleconference, video conference) for anyone who is not in the immediate Dunedin area.

If you are interested, please contact the Diocesan Registrar registrar@calledsouth.org.nz and complete the following forms as part of your application:

[Application form to the Diocese of Dunedin Trusts Board](#) (the Board which appoints members onto Diocesan Organisation Boards or Trusts), [Charities Declaration](#) and [Declaration of Adherence for Trust Boards](#)



From Anglican Missions Board

Please find attached the Tikanga Giving Schedule for the Dunedin Diocese for November 2019.

Kia ora Dunedin Diocese

Please find attached the Tikanga Giving Schedule for the **Dunedin Diocese** for **November 2019**.

Each parish is represented by the following colours:

- **Green** - where giving has increased (compared to the same time last year)
- **Orange** - where giving has decreased (compared to the same time last year)
- **Blue** - where giving is the same (compared to the same time last year)
- **Brown** - no giving this month
- **Red** - where there has been no giving for the year to date.

We have 'hidden' parishes where there has been no giving for more than a year.

For the Spring Appeal, we have to date received \$2,087 of which \$752 has come from parishes with the balance from individuals.

The graph below shows monthly tikanga giving for the past two years with a yellow trend line. Such a consistent Diocese and the trend line is holding steady which is encouraging! Thank you.

Giving for the year to date (Jan to Oct inclusive) is a little down on last year but we're anticipating end of year totals to be pretty well the same as last year.

We are still keen to receive [STORIES ON MISSION](#). These might be here or overseas; happening right now or from some time over the past hundred years. With permission, we will publish these on our website as a way of celebrating what has gone before and encouraging ongoing interest and commitment.

If anyone would like to receive our fortnightly emailed bulletin please email info@angmissions.org.nz This is a great way to keep up with all that is happening here.

Thank you so much for your ongoing interest and support.

Hei konā mai

Michael Hartfield

Operations and Projects Officer

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Light Beyond The Horizon

Deb Cole and Numia Tomoana give a vivid report of the Women's Leadership Hui, tikanga Maori, held at Waipatu Marae, Hastings in November 2019. 'Light beyond the Horizon' included guest speakers Bishop Waitiariiki, Associate Professor Khylee Quince, and Revd Jenny Quince. Ngahiwi Tomoana led a hikoi to very significant sites in Heretaunga.

Attached below is the latest Anglican Women's Study Center Newsletter with these reports in the following articles:

Darkness and Light. Janet Morley wrote a very meaningful litany, 'For the Darkness of Waiting' which seems very apt for the Advent-Epiphany season, and in this time of anguish after the Whakaari eruption.

Blessed Opportunity. Nai Cokanasiga continues her beautiful description of her time in and around Jerusalem.

Shedding Some Light. 'What exactly is the Women's Studies Centre?' the first article should shed some light.



Education for Ministry (EFM) continues to provide a good grounding in theological reflection methods, and is a well-established adult education programme.

Please read on for information received from the Executive Officer of EFM NZ....

Valda McBeth writes:

Education for Ministry (EFM) continues to provide a good grounding in theological reflection methods, and is a well-established adult education programme.

During the four year programme participants study the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, the history of the Church, theology, ethics and interfaith encounters.

The programme's resources are reviewed annually and include Reading & Reflection Guides, and contemporary textbooks. The EFM programme in Aotearoa New Zealand includes a ten week module on the history of the Church in this land, which is also available as a 12 week stand-alone module – a great introduction to EFM and a useful short study course for those who wish to learn more about the history of the Church in Aotearoa.

We are always keen to hear from anyone who is interested in joining the programme either as a participant, or is willing to attend EFM Mentor Training and may be willing to mentor an EFM group in their area.

If you are interested, please contact Michael Godfrey for more information

educator@calledsouth.org.nz or 03 488 0825



Helpful tips for your 2020 Children and Youth Ministry

It might be just the beginning of the Year but I bet planning has already started for your Children and Youth Ministry this year. Here is some helpful information to support you on the way.

Planning your ministry

Where you are an organised person or someone that likes to be more spontaneous you have probably started to think about what your Children and Youth Ministry will look like this coming term or even year. To help you with this I have attached some helpful links that can support you with your planning.

1. [How to plan a term of youth ministry in 6 steps \(Diocese of London\)](#)
2. [Planning events with purpose \(Diocese of Auckland\)](#)
3. [Topic Tickers - Not sure what topics to cover this year? Give your youth group the choice! \(Diocese of Nelson\)](#)
3. [Youth Leadership Team Building \(Phil Trotter\)](#)
4. [Sample Youth Group Programme \(Phil Trotter\)](#)
5. [Map Your Ministry \(STRANDZ\)](#)

Health and Safety

The three dreaded words in Children and Youth Ministry. People often correspond Health and Safety with having no fun and being boring but it doesn't have to be. Health and Safety is one of the most important aspects of your Children and Youth Ministry. It ensures that the participants, volunteers, the church, and yourself are safe while you have fun and help build your youth's relations with God.

A necessary tool for leaders of Children and Youth ministry is the Risk Management Plan. This is a simple form that makes you think about all the risks, what you need to do to prevent them and what the plan is if it does happen. These Risk Management forms should be created before your event and be on hand to refer to if something does go wrong.

Here are two different Risk Management Plan forms you could use.

[Risk Management Plan Form 1](#)

[Risk Management Plan Form 2](#)

Police Checks

As the new year comes around and you start your ministries back up it is essential that any person that works regularly with people under the age of 18 years is police checked. This is a simple process that just involves completing a form, having your vicar sign off a photo id and then sending it to the Diocesan office. Please get in touch with John Graveston (youth@calledsouth.org.nz) to start this process.

It can not be stressed enough the importance of having all your children and youth workers/volunteers policed checked. This is also a requirement under the [Diocesan Child Protection Policy](#).

Upcoming Training and Events in 2020

Upskilling and getting new ideas is so helpful. Here are some great training opportunities coming up.

Diocese of Dunedin Lay Ministry Training Day - February

[RE:GEN on Tour](#) - February

[Messy Church Conference](#) - February

[SCOPE](#) - March - October

[Intergenerate Conference in Sydney](#) - June

[Scripture Union WAY2GO](#) - May

[Godly Play](#) - Wellington (June) & Auckland (July)

The ABBEY - Wellington (August)

[Flexi Learn "Growing intergenerational church"](#) - online paper with St John's College. Regional delivery, organised by Diana from Strandz - Nov & Dec.

Useful Websites

There is no point in recreating the wheel so have a look at these websites for inspiration, support and resources.

[RESOURCED](#)

[STRANDZ](#)

[Anglican Schools Office](#)

[Anglican Children](#)

[Youth Ministry Great Games](#)

I look forward to working with you all this coming year. If you have any ideas, thoughts or just want a talk please be in touch.

John Graveston
Anglican Diocese of Dunedin
Child, Youth and Family Educator



RE:GEN ON TOUR

RE:GEN On Tour is a Youth Leaders Training for all denominations being organised by the Presbyterian Church, Scripture Union and the Anglican Church

What is RE:GEN?

Encouraging & equipping youth ministry leaders from across Otago & Southland

RE:GEN is a gathering of youth leaders from local churches. Whether they are paid professionals or volunteer warriors, RE:GEN hopes to encourage & equip them for the year ahead in youth ministry. We do this by creating a space where youth leaders can connect with other youth leaders and learn more about youth ministry from experienced practitioners.

RE:GEN is an ecumenical event. It has always been organised by people from different denominations and church backgrounds and youth leaders from any and every church are invited.

We believe we can do youth ministry better when we do it together,

RE:GEN On tour?

This year we have decided to take RE:GEN on a little tour around the region. We hope by offering RE:GEN in different locations we will be making it more accessible to more youth leaders. There will still be great teaching, some good food, and plenty of time to connect with youth leaders from your town and the next town over. But this year...you won't have to drive as far!

Locations:

Dunedin: Saturday 22nd February, Elm Church (67 Harrow Street), 1:30pm - 5:30pm

Invercargill: Saturday 29th February, Invercargill Central Baptist Church (11 Deveron Street), 1:30pm - 5:30pm

Cromwell: Saturday 7th March, Cromwell College (9 Barry Avenue), 1:30pm - 5:30pm

Cost: This is a free training event for all Youth Ministry Leaders

Register [Here](#)

For more information go to: <https://regenontour.com/>

or contact

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youth@callsouth.org.nz



Cursillo 3 day event April 2020

Cursillo is a movement of the Anglican Church under the oversight of each Diocesan Bishop. The goal of Cursillo is to help the Church in its mission to bring all the world and the whole of life under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

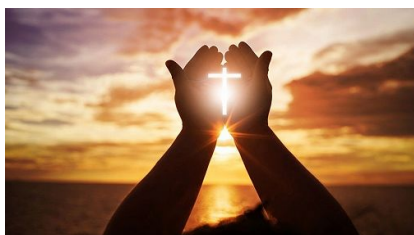
The main way of doing this (and empowering Christians in this way) is through offering a three-day course for people to take part in. This provides the vision and offers an on-going process for achieving this goal. Cursillo equips Christians to live out their baptismal calling to serve Christ in the world.

Below is the application/registration form for Dunedin Combined 22 which is being held at [St Peter's College, Gore](#) from Friday 17 April to Tuesday 23 April 2020. You can also look at the leaflet that explains Cursillo further and tells you about the process you need to follow to attend.

Dunedin Diocese uses a 'Pay it Forward' ethos so Dunedin Combined 22 has been paid for by those attending the previous three day Cursillo in 2017. Those attending this Cursillo will only be asked to give what they feel able to donate towards the next Cursillo. These donations are eligible for tax refunds.

If you want any further information or would like to help sponsor someone to attend, contact Anne Gover: annegover@xtra.co.nz (03) 208 5235 or 027 311 0625

- [2020 3-day Cursillo Application Form \(Word\)](#) (for 17-23 April 2020)
 - [2020 3-day Cursillo Application Form](#) (.pdf document)
 - [What is Cursillo pamphlet](#)
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From Bishop Steven - Updated Diocesan Cycle of Prayer January 2020

Please find attached the updated 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 .



Synod 2020 Essential Information

Parish and Local Church Return Forms were posted out in December and these are available electronically below. 2020 will see two Synods taking place, a Special Synod dealing with Selwyn College on 2 May, as well as the 1st Session of the 61st Synod held from 11-13 September 2020. Latest update includes catering form

and a poll to enable you to opt out of receiving a hard copy of the Synod book. Please don't return anything to us until your AGM has confirmed your Synod reps.

Parish and Local Church Returns

Have a look in the attachments below for the **memo to parishes about AGMs**. This year all of the returns required are contained in one document: [Members of Governing Bodies 2020 and Annual Returns 2019](#). This includes Members of Governing Bodies (Vestries) Annual Return and Declarations, Annual Statistics, Employees and Volunteers return.

May Synod

This is a **Special Meeting (Session) of Synod regarding Selwyn College** - details to be confirmed including associated paperwork.

- See the [Special Session of Synod to consider the Future of Selwyn College](#) page with information to date.
- Have a look at articles on [Selwyn Consultation Hui Update](#) and the latest [Selwyn College Consultation Panel Update](#)

11-13 September 2020 Synod

Synod will convene on **Friday 11 September at 7.00 pm** with the Synod Eucharist (St Matthew's Dunedin, this venue to be confirmed). (*Clergy are not robing for this service*).

Synod will reconvene Saturday 12 September at 8.30am (St Matthew's Dunedin, this venue to be confirmed) and will conclude no later than midday on **Sunday 13 September**.

Lay representatives to Diocesan Synod are elected on a two year cycle with new representatives being elected at Parish/Local Church AGMs in 2020.

Key dates to be aware of:

- **Beginning of June - request for reports** (for Synod book) and **mail out to Synod reps** (catering forms and if only require Synod book electronically, accommodation options)
- **23 July - last day to submit any Bills to the Registrar** (50 days before Synod)
- **30 July - Bills (and Motions printed in the Synod book) submitted to the Committee on Statutes and Standing Orders** (43 days before Synod)
- **14 August - Bills and Motions returned to the Registrar** (28 days before Synod)
- **16 August - last day to complete [Doodle poll](#) if you want the Synod Book electronically only.**
- **17 August - Synod book taken to the printers**
- **20 August - Synod books and other paperwork posted out** plus available on-line (21 days before Synod)

The Synod Book - in progress, see time frames above. **Tip:** if you go to the Index of the Synod book and Ctrl + click on information you want to go to, this will take you there without having to scroll through all the pages. **We are looking to have an "opt out" option is you are happy to have the Synod book in an electronic format only, please complete the following [Doodle Poll](#) by 16 August to let us know.**

Catering - please see below. These need to be back in the office by **Tuesday 25 August 2020**

Pre-Synod Archdeaconry meetings for all Lay and Clergy reps: Details to be confirmed.

A reminder that the [Guide to Synod](#) is useful to have a look at.

Also, check out the [2019 Yearbook](#) which contains a record of the proceedings from Synod 2019.

There are updated versions of the **Standing Resolutions of Synod via our website** as well as other **Statutes** that were amended at 2019 Synod. Copies of these are being sent to all Synod reps before the end of February 2020.

If you have any questions please contact the Diocesan Office: registrar@calledsouth.org.nz or phone **03 - 488-0821**



Vacancies: 20 January 2020

A regular update of Diocesan vacancies and those further afield.

Diocese of Dunedin

Vacancy – Vicar of All Saints' Gladstone Parish, Invercargill

All Saints' Gladstone, a warm and vibrant Parish in New Zealand's southernmost city, is seeking a new Vicar following the retirement of The Reverend Richard Johnson. Richard has conducted a long and energetic ministry and will be leaving the faith community in a motivated and positive shape.

All Saints' Parish includes St Andrew's Anglican Church on Rakiura/Stewart Island and is one of three Anglican Parishes in Invercargill. Its Parish finances are in a secure state. A comfortable vicarage is provided.

The Parish has a genuine, welcoming and collaborative community, a strong commitment to lay leadership, to a balance of contemporary and traditional forms of worship, encourages participation of families and young children, and values applied preaching, teaching and social outreach. Parish leadership at All Saints' has always worked closely with neighbouring denominations.

The City of Invercargill has reversed earlier trends of decline and is experiencing a period of sustained growth. It is well resourced for school and other public facilities.

The Vicar will play a part in a welcoming and collegial Diocese that encourages imaginative, outward looking faith and ministry. The Bishop of Dunedin is looking to appoint Priests who are practising and modelling lives of prayer, a commitment to the Bible, and witnessing to the risen life of Jesus Christ.

The position is open to any Priest in Anglican Orders who is in good standing in their current appointment and is entitled to live and work in New Zealand.

To request a Parish Profile or to make informal enquiries please contact:

Rt Rev'd Steven Benford (Bishop of Dunedin)

PO Box 13170, Dunedin 9052, New Zealand.

Email: bishops.pa@calledsouth.org.nz Phone: (03) 488 0826

To apply, please send a formal letter of application, your CV/Resume, and the details of two Referees to the above address by 28th February 2020.

Vicar of St Matthew's Church in the City of Dunedin

St Matthew's is looking for a full-time Vicar. We are seeking the right person to lead our team of committed lay people to make disciples, equip the church and reach out to impact and transform the local community.

We have a long history as an evangelical, charismatic church, with a missional focus, deeply valuing good biblical teaching. We are affiliated to the AFFIRM Christian Community, and any applicant would need to be a member, or able to subscribe to the beliefs and discipline of the Community.

Our facilities are well-resourced and we are looking for someone with a passion for the gospel, good relational and management skills, and is a genuine team worker.

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Closing date: January 31st 2020

Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

Social Justice Unit Manager

See attached SJU Manager Job Advert, closing date 31 January 2020

Diocese of Auckland

Vicar - Church of the Saviour - Blockhouse Bay

See attached Parish Profile for details.

Kings College Senior Chaplain 2020

King's College has a rich tradition and future focus that supports students and the King's community to realise the best all round education there is.

An outstanding opportunity has arisen to become the Senior Chaplain for the College commencing in 2020.

The Chapel is regarded as being at the heart of the College. This role brings to life the essence of a spiritual focus central to a Christian faith-based education and is supported by a wide community of interest, both external and internal to the College. It is a unique opportunity to grow the present strong foundation and to lead enhancements to the spiritual and pastoral curriculum to ensure our students are strengthened as individuals and as contributing, service-oriented citizens.

A variety of activities fill the year, from running services in our beautiful Chapel to management of the extra-curricular spiritual outreach programme, providing pastoral support to students and our community services, and part time teaching. The position also requires the Senior Chaplain to be available for associated school events and special occasions. You will be a key member of the Senior Leadership Team and contribute to both the leadership agenda and strategic direction of the College.

Applicants must be an Anglican Priest with tertiary theology qualifications and be able to demonstrate a track record of building diverse, strength-based relationships and communications with adolescents, their families, staff and communities.

Please do visit our website www.kingscollege.school.nz to explore the King's College ethos. We look forward to engaging with you on this unique opportunity.

Please go to <https://www.kingscollege.school.nz/life-at-kings/working-at-kings/current-vacancies/> to submit your application.

Applications close 4.00 pm Friday, 7 February 2020.

Diocese of Nelson

Vicar – Full time Wakefield and Districts in the Diocese of Nelson

Are you passionate about the Gospel and have a heart for creative ministry in both rural and urban communities working alongside hardworking and hospitable people – then the parish of Wakefield and Districts will be the place for you. We are looking for a full time Vicar to encourage us to grow as a team, grow in our discipleship and in our ability to reach out in loving service in our communities. The successful applicant should have proven experience in rural ministry and leading and encouraging teams. Wakefield and Districts encompasses the large geographical area of Wakefield, Tapawera and Murchison. We are an evangelical diocese committed to biblical teaching and to making disciples.

For the successful candidate we offer an opportunity to join our diocesan team which is committed to working collaboratively to support one another across parish boundaries. We also offer a creative environment for developing new models of mission.

Expressions of interest can be made through the Bishop's office by contacting the Bishop's PA. PO Box 100, Nelson 7040, Ph: 03 548 3124 Email: bishops.pa@nelsonanglican.nz

Please include a formal letter of enquiry and CV/Resume. Closing date for applications: 31 March 2020.

The Parish profile can be viewed on the Diocesan website – [click here](#)

Picton Parish – Full time Priest in Charge

Are you drawn to the sea, fishing, boating, and are also passionate about drawing people into God's kingdom, then Picton will be the place for you. Picton is growing as a community and there is a sense of buoyancy about the future with many opportunities for growth. The parish is committed to growing disciples in order to reach into the community. Picton is part of the Marlborough Deanery where parishes are committed to working more closely together to effectively reach into their communities. We are seeking a priest with a pastoral heart and who has energy and passion to grow and equip God's people. Although the parish can currently support a .8 position, the Diocese is committed to financing a full time position for two years.

Expressions of interest can be made through the Bishop's office, PO Box 100, Nelson 7040 or by contacting the Bishops PA: bishops.pa@nelsonanglican.nz

Please include a formal letter of enquiry and CV/Resume. **Closing date for applications: Friday, 14th February 2020.** For parish profile: <https://www.nelsonanglican.nz/vacancy/picton-parish-priest-charge>

The Church of the Nativity, Blenheim Parish, is a church of opportunities! If you're up to the challenge of making a big church more welcoming, more effective in sharing the gospel in the local community, more mission-oriented; if you're concerned about ministry to all age-groups, committed to team-ministry (both ordained and lay), committed to a cell-based church, aware of the importance of prayer and the outworking of the Holy Spirit; and if you're committed to diversity of worship and sound biblical teaching - the Nativity may be the church for you!

1. This is a re-advertised position. An application form is available by emailing the Bishop's Personal Assistant: bishops.pa@nelsonanglican.nz or by phoning 03 548 3124. Applications close **Friday, 24th January 2020.**

Parish profile can be viewed on our website: <https://www.nelsonanglican.nz/vacancy/blenheim-parish-church-nativity-vicar-full-time>

Diocese of Christchurch

Full Time Vicar/Minister - Combined Parish of Akaroa-Banks Peninsula

The Parish of Akaroa-Banks Peninsula embraces much of Banks Peninsula and is a predominantly rural area, with the largest settlement being the picturesque village of Akaroa.

The Anglican and Presbyterian Parishes of Akaroa and Banks Peninsula are a church community undergoing change as the two parishes merge into one combined church.

We need our new ministry leader to foster the ecumenical nature of the new entity, and help us draw closer together. Much has been achieved over the past five years, and much remains to be done. People skills will be a necessary quality. We would like to choose the best minister for the position, regardless of whether they are Anglican or Presbyterian.

A parish profile and an expression of interest form are available by emailing the Executive Assistant at the Diocese of Christchurch: bishopsea@anglicanlife.org.nz or by phoning 03 348 6701.

Applications, which must include a CV, a response to the profile of not more than four pages, and a statement about your faith and personal approach to ministry, are requested by **5pm Monday 10 February 2020** and are to be sent to bishopsea@anglicanlife.org.nz

Full Time Vicar Cashmere Parish

Is God calling you to St Augustine's to partner with us in our faith journey to worship and serve our Lord Jesus?

Cashmere is situated on the north side of the Port Hills and rises above the southern end of Christchurch.

St Augustine's is an evangelical parish, 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. Home groups play an important role in parish life, providing discipleship, exploration of faith and pastoral support. We place high value on strong Bible-based teaching.

Our new vicar will need clarity of vision and much energy.

- We look for a vicar with a heart for pastoral care and the ability and experience to minister to all ages
- We look for a Christ-centred preacher and teacher: one who will navigate a range of views with sensitivity and respect. A person who both challenges and encourages us to move forward.
- We look for competence and skill to lead a diverse group of people, re-build lay leadership and improve our diminished financial resources
- We look to re-build and grow the parish.

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World Vision New Zealand - please see the website for details of current vacancies <https://www.worldvision.org.nz/about/careers/>



In the Media

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

In the National & International Media

(with thanks to the Diocese of Christchurch)

- [Anglican Church in Australia responds to bush-fire crisis](#)
- [A Christchurch teen fends off trolls on climate change mission](#)
- [Great southern city: Christchurch in 2030](#)
- ['Green shoots': Community outreach fuels thriving congregations](#)
- [Netflix's Messiah: what's it all about and is it any good?](#)
- [Scream if you love Jesus: church for heavy metal fans to open](#)
- [3 words for the church in 2019: 'we were wrong'](#)
- [Ministry of sport](#)
- [Most of us are bad at apologizing. The pope just showed us how it's done.](#)
- [Bishop shares heartbreaking photo of church destroyed by Australia wild fires](#)
- [Bible Society launch new app to see 'God's Word read aloud across the world'](#)
- [\\$126m Catholic precinct for Chch](#)
- [This far by faith](#)
- [Changing South: the brilliant Bagshaws](#)

Check out <http://www.anglicantaonga.org.nz/>



Diocesan Property Consultation 2020

Over 2020 we are planning a number of workshops to help develop a more strategic way of thinking about how we use our property assets to advance God's kingdom.

This is taking place as the Diocesan Council has been becoming increasingly caught up in property matters but without having an agreed pathway for how to handle many situations apart from what is set out in Statute 3.

In the Synod held in 2019, the following motion was carried: **That this Synod affirms the Diocesan Council intention to undergo a consultation process around the sale or other use of properties, buildings and other assets within the context of future mission within the Diocese.**

We are currently rolling out a series of workshops throughout the Diocese this year that will take place in archdeaconry groupings, and will be publicised in this article when organised. This workshop is open to Clergy and Lay Synod reps as well as Parish Wardens, with substitute places available to any Vestry members who have an interest or contribution to make around this property discussion.

Workshops organised to date

- **Initial Workshop for Archdeacons: Thursday 13 February 2020, [Peter Mann House from 10 am](#)**
- **Archdeaconry of Dunedin (including Balclutha) Tuesday 18 February 2020, [Peter Mann House from 7.30 pm](#)**
- **Archdeaconry of Central Otago, Tuesday 26 May 2020, [St Andrew's Church, 41 Blyth Street, Cromwell from 10 am](#)**
- **Archdeaconry of Southland and Archdeaconry of Oamaru-East Otago: *Dates to be arranged.***

The information attached below provides pre-reading for the workshops. **If you have any trouble accessing or downloading any of the resources below or want a hard copy of various papers sent to you, please contact us by [clicking this link](#), or email the Registrar with "Property Resources" in your subject line.**

During the workshop, the following questions will be looked at in small (parish or communities of interest) groups, and you may find it useful to reflect on these before the workshop:

- **What are the particular dynamics you have around properties entrusted to you?** (see pages 2-5 of the Diocese of Dunedin Strategic Property Strategy Consultation Paper 2020)
- **In your setting, what is the most important consideration when thinking about property and how it can aid your ministry in the future?** (think of this in terms of where you think your Parish might be at in 10-20 years time)
- **What is your take on the Strategic Property Criteria?** Anything not quite right? Anything missing? (see pages 7-8 of the Diocese of Dunedin Strategic Property Strategy Consultation Paper 2020)
- **If you were to rank in order of importance the suggested Strategic Property Criteria, what would this be?** (individual exercise)
- **What weight would you give to each criteria?** (each person will be given 20 dots to "spend" as they want by placing these next to each criteria displayed in the room).

After the workshops, the combined feedback will be collated and given back to Diocesan Council for consideration. We hope at the end of this process to have some information that will assist the Diocesan Council and Faith Communities in their decision making around property, with the potential for motions/bills related to property to be taken to a future Synod.

Please continue to hold this process in your prayers.



Applications for Social Service Funds Grants and Child Care Grants are now open

The Social Transformation Committee (STC) has opportunities from time to time for parishes and other organisations to apply for funding. The last funding

round distributed just under \$15k to two applicants. A further funding round is taking place with the closing date of Wednesday 12 February 2020.

In December 2019 the following funding applications submitted during the last funding round were approved by Diocesan Council: grants to **Anglican Family Care** towards the cost of providing a Play Therapy programme and assistance with the costs involved cost of preparing for a Restorative justice programme tender; a grant to the **Dunedin North Parish** to enable installation of heatpumps in the flats next to All Saints Church, which are being leased by the Salvation Army for their Transitional Housing programme.

Child Care Funds

Applications are now able to be made for grants from the **Child Care funds** under the control of Diocesan Council. Applications are made on the recommendation of the Social Transformation Committee and are expected to be sought on a quarterly basis, with the ability to consider urgent applications outside that time-frame on a one-off basis. Recent grants have supported Mainly Music Groups (children's ministry), a Dunedin play group and a therapy grant for Anglican Family Care.

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The closing date for applications for both grants is 12 February 2020

Application forms (see below) may be submitted on-line using [this link](#) or in hard copy, but in either case must be sent to the Social Transformation Committee care of the [Registrar \(Mr Andrew Metcalfe\)](#), to be received by **Wednesday 12 February 2020** [which is a week before our February meeting].

Application forms/further information:

- [Social Service Funds Grant Application Form 2019 \(pdf version\)](#) (a form you can write on and send back, see attachments at the end of this article) or [Social Service Funds Grant Application Form](#) (Word version that you can type into and send in – also attached at the end of this article)
- [Application for Funding for Projects Working with Children](#) - includes a covering memo and application in Word that you can type into - also attached below.



Holidaying on Lake Como Italy

Read on for information received from Rev'd Roger Williams - Chaplain at the Church of the Ascension Cadenabbia, Lake Como Italy.

Dear fellow Clergy and Church officials.

Hi there!

In 2020 it maybe that some of your Parishioners will holiday or travel to Lake Como Italy. It would be very much appreciated if the information on the attached flyer could be made known to your Parishioners as they and you would be very welcome at the Anglican Church of the Ascension Cadenabbia on Lake Como Italy.

We would be pleased if you could communicate these details to your Clergy and offices.

Retreat on Lake Como Italy from the 11th to the 16th of October 2020

The Church of the Ascension at Cadenabbia on Lake Como will be holding another Holiday Retreat attended by people from all over the world from the Anglican Communion.

Again, any steps you can take to inform your Priests and Parishioners of this Retreat would be appreciated. A posted is also attached.

This Retreat has limited places - just 25 participants.

We would welcome and appreciate you advising us if you are able to assist in these two ways.

With many thanks and I look forward to our paths crossing again at the Christmas function if not before.

Yours.

Rev'd Roger Williams - Chaplain at the Church of the Ascension Cadenabbia, Lake Como Italy.



Abuse in Care

Royal Commission of Inquiry

Royal Commission on Abuse in Care

You will be aware that the Royal Commission has begun its work and is currently involved in contextual

hearings.

The Commission's Website says:

"The Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care is looking into what happened to children, young people and vulnerable adults in care between 1950 and 1999."

The focus of the Commission is on 'Abuse in Care' with reference to:

1. **State-run institutions**
2. **Faith-based institutions**

The extent of (2) includes our care of children, young people and vulnerable adults in our churches, schools, orphanages, elder care homes, and other ministries governed and managed by Anglican based Social Services (including residential care homes for the elderly) and Anglican Family Care.

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, including the Diocese of Dunedin, is committed to engaging with the Commission and its work, and will do everything it can to assist the Commission fulfilling its purposes. The Diocese of Dunedin is encouraging submissions to be made to the Commission by survivors of abuse in its care. Contact details for communicating with the Commission are:

Phone:

10 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday (NZT) **0800 222 727** [Calling from Australia? 1800 875 745]

Email:

contact@abuseincare.org.nz

Mail:

Royal Commission of Inquiry
PO Box 10071
The Terrace
Wellington 6143

If this raises issues that affect you directly, I am happy to meet with you. Please contact me through the Diocesan office: bishops.pa@caldedsouth.org.nz

+ **Steven**

See Royal Commission on Abuse in Care: www.abuseincare.org.nz



Lent Study Guide 2020

Life in the Garden: A Study for Lent has again been written for use by groups and individuals for Lent 2020.

The eight studies survey the place of the garden and gardening in Scripture. The studies come out of many years of experience in the garden and of life on the land. They offer a practical theology of the garden for our times, and they encourage readers to take up this sacred activity and to join with God in the renewal of the earth and its people.

For all orders made before 31 December you'll be able to purchase it at just \$7.00 per book. It will increase to \$8.50 from 1 January 2020.

You can sample the first chapter of the 2020 guide online by clicking here:

https://www.theologyhouse.ac.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Lenten-studies_sample-chapter_1.pdf

Or you can order it **NOW** by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.theologyhouse.ac.nz/home/lenen-study-guide-2019-order-form/>



CWS appeal for Samoa Measles Recovery

Christian World Service is appealing for donations to support Samoan families affected by the measles outbreak.

Sadly, 71 people mostly under five months old have lost their lives. Nearly 5,000 people have been infected with the virus.

Donations to the appeal will enable trained community carers to provide psychosocial support for families. They will also fund urgent relief items needed by people who are unwell.

CWS has made an initial grant of \$5,000 to our colleagues and partners at the Family Centre, based in Lower Hutt and Samoa. Staff have prepared a preliminary budget of \$20,000.

One staff member and a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist have arrived in Samoa. They have briefed the Ministry of Health and the Mental Health Unit and are assisting with the recovery strategy.

They say many aiga or families need emotional support and assistance with basic items.

Family Centre Samoa staff are purchasing bedding and mattresses, nappies, wipes, towels, soap and Vaseline for affected families as well as formula for mothers unable to provide breast milk because of stress. The need for such practical help will increase as the teams begin visiting affected families.

In the next few weeks, they will train three experienced psychosocial teams in community-based care and make the first contacts. These local teams supported aiga following earlier natural disasters like the 2012 Cyclone Evan. They will focus on rural areas where other teams are not working.

Mothers are doing their best but many have found it hard to feed and raise their children on minimal income. They cannot afford doctors or medical care.

"This is a very traumatic time for families and communities in Samoa. Working with the Family Centre, I know we are giving people the comfort and support they need in a very appropriate and Samoan way. Please support this appeal for relief supplies and transport and other costs for team members to reach more isolated communities," says Trish Murray, International Programmes Coordinator, Christian World Service.

CWS has supported a number of disaster response programmes run by the Family Centre in previous years. This appeal is for a short term response to the latest outbreak.

Donations can be made:

- On line and by direct deposit to the Samoa Measles Appeal
- By Phone with a credit card: 0800 74 73 72
- By Post to: CWS, PO Box 22652, Christchurch 8140

CWS is a member of ACT Alliance a global coalition of 156 churches and church-related organisations working together on humanitarian, development and advocacy in over 120 countries.

For more information, please contact: Trish Murray, trish.murray@cws.org.nz

Phone: 03 366 9274