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SECTION ONE

PERSONNEL

As at 10 Dec 2025

DIOCESE

Bishop (11 th Bishop of Nelson)	Rt. Rev Steve Maina
Bp. Chaplain/Vicar General	Rev Canon Simon Martin
Chancellor	Mr Hans van de Wal
Community Ministries -Children & Families	Mrs Amanda Poil
Community Ministries - Pioneering	Rev Joshua Moore
Community Ministries -Youth & Young Adults	Rev Brad Wood
Community Ministries - Social Services	Mr Jason Shaw
Community Ministries – Older Persons Services	Ms Liesel de Kriek <i>from 29 Sept</i>
Health & Safety Coordinator	Mr Russell Nimmo

ANGLICAN CENTRE

Diocesan Manager	Mr Chris Ward <i>from 18 Sept</i>
Diocesan Finance & Trust Manager	Mr Ed Duggan
Diocesan Governance Support Manager	Mrs Deborah Oliver
Diocesan Accountant	Mrs Magna Lehmann
Bishop's Personal Assistant	Mrs Anita Jones-Stiles
Diocesan Administration Support	Mrs Allison Mitchell
Property Coordinator	Mrs Penelope Baber
Ministry Education Administration	Miss Renata van der Wal
Payroll and Finance Administrator	Mrs Erin O'Sullivan-Moffat
Video & Digital Content Creator	Mrs Petra Oomen

DIOCESAN MINISTRY EDUCATION

Ministry Education Coordinator	Rev Canon Simon Martin
Dean, Bishopdale Theological College	Rev Dr Andrew Burgess
Dean of Courses	Rev Dr Sue Patterson
Senior Lecturer	Dr Kate Tyler
College Director/Registrar	Mr Simon Terrill
Internship & Missional Training Coord.	Rev Jude Saxon
College Administrator	Ms Loyola van Rooyen Buck <i>until 18 Dec</i>
Librarian (Bishop Sutton Library)	Mrs Jennifer Patterson

COMMITTEES

STANDING COMMITTEE & Trusts Board

Appointed by Synod for 3-year term

The Rt Rev S Maina [with Vicar General in attendance]

Seat	Clergy	Elected	Retires (Synod)
1	Rev Z Elliott	2024	2027
2	Very Rev G O'Brien	2024	2026
3	Rev M E Tefft	2025	2028
	Laity		
4	Vacant	2024	2027
5	Ms L Fear	2025	2026
6	Mrs K Bristed	2023	2026
7	Mrs H Neame	2025	2028
8	Mr A Smith	2025	2028

NELSON DIOCESAN TRUST BOARD (INC)

Appointed by Trusts Board for 3-year term

Seat		Appointed	Retires (Dec)
1	Mr K Kruse	2023	2026
2	Mr G W Allan (Deputy Chair)	2025	2028
3	Mrs M Soderberg (Chair)	2022	2025
4	Mr D Johns	2022	2025
5	Mr M Hall	2023	2025
6	Vacant	2022	2025
7	Mr S Perris	2025	2028
8	Mr M McDonald	2025	2028

RISK & ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

Appointed by Standing Committee for 3-year term. To incl. rep from NDTB & SC)

Seat		Appointed	Retires (Dec)
1	Mr S Perris (NDTB & Chair)	2022	2025
2	Ms H Neame (SC)	2022	2025
3	Mr I Williams <i>10 July</i>	2025	2028
4	Mr E Geiger	2022	2025
5	Vacant	2022	2025

ANGLICAN CARE COMMITTEE

Appointed by Standing Committee for 3-year term

Seat		Appointed	Retires (Dec)
1	Mrs D Hunter	2022	2025
2	Ms J Lockwood	2024	2025
3	<i>vacant</i>	2024	2027
4	Ms M Hodgson	Aug 2025	2028
5	Mr L Gabites	(Chair) 2022	2025
6	Mr S Young	2023	2026
7	Rev S Jordan	2022	2025
8	Ms Raewyn Johnson	Aug 2025	2028

OTHER DIOCESAN BOARDS, NATIONAL COMMITTEES and APPOINTMENTS

DIOCESAN OVERSEAS MISSION COUNCIL

25 September 2025 Synod suspended the provisions of the Diocesan Overseas Mission Council Act 2004 for a further twelve months until Synod 2026.

Standing Committee to review the purpose, direction and structure established by the Act and bring a recommendation to a future Synod.

Helen Neame is acting Diocesan Overseas Missions Coordinator

MINISTRY STANDARDS ADVISORY GROUP

Rev Canon S Martin (Bp Chaplain), Mr C Ward (Dio Manager), Mr R Nimmo (H&S Coordinator), Community Advocate, Abuse Survivors Network representative.

BOARD OF NOMINATION:

Appointed by Synod for 3-year term (2023-2026): Bishop, 2 Clergy, 2 Lay

Rt Rev S Maina (Chair)

Rev Dr A Burgess, Rev Canon S Martin, Mr B Sparrow; Mrs B Sussex

NELSON DIOCESAN EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Mr J M Fitchett, Mrs H Neame and Very Rev Dr G O'Brien

TE KOTAHITANGA

Very Rev Dr G O'Brien

GENERAL SYNOD & TIKANGA PAKEHA REPRESENTATIVES

Appointed by Synod for 2-year term: 3 Clergy, 3 Lay Current Term: 2025-2027

Rt Rev S Maina, Rev Dr A R Burgess, Rev Canon S Martin

Mr E Duggan, 2 vacancies

GENERAL SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE & TRIBUNAL ON DOCTRINE

Rev Dr A Burgess

TIKANGA PAKEHA CONFERENCE CO-ORDINATING GROUP REPRESENTATIVE

Rev Canon S Martin

TIKANGA PAKEHA MINISTRY COUNCIL

Bishop; 1 Clergy, 1 Lay

Rt Rev S Maina, Rev Canon S Martin, Lay Representative

Rev Dr A Burgess (additional/alternate)

OVERSEAS MISSION – TIKANGA PAKEHA (OMTP):

formerly TPMC

Vacant

TIKANGA PAKEHA ECUMENICAL GROUP

Vacant

TIKANGA PAKEHA LITURGICAL WORKING GROUP

Very Rev C R Tyrrell

INTERCHURCH BIOETHICS COUNCIL

Very Rev Dr G O'Brien

COUNCIL FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Ven R P Kingston and Rev R M Halsall – in an advisory capacity

ANGLICAN MISSIONS

Rt Rev S Maina – Tikanga Pākehā Bishop's Representative

AFFIRM COUNCIL

Bishop's Representative: Rev Canon S Martin

OTHER ENTITIES

BISHOPDALE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

1 Right Rev S Maina Chair

Seat	Appointed by		Appointed	Retires
2	Bishop	<i>Vacant</i>	2025	2028
3	Synod - Licensed Clergy	Rev M Tefft(Deputy Chair)	2025	2028
4	Synod – Lay	Rev M Watts	2025	2028
5	Laidlaw College	M Whittaker	2025	2028
6	Student Representative	Mr O Preston (A)	2025	2026
7	Additional (optional)	Rt Rev J Behan for CCA	2022	2025
8	Additional (optional)	Prof. C Holmes	2025	2028
9	Additional (optional)	Rev Dr N McLellan	2024	2027

ST ANDREW'S FAMILY TRUST

1	Chair	Mrs M Chaney	2024	2026
6	Trustees	Mr L Gabites	2025	2026
		Mrs P Classen	2025	2027
		Mrs P Adams	2025	2027
		Mrs S Denny	2025	2027
		Ms J Lockwood	2025	2027
	Mawhera	Mrs R White	2024	2026

SECTION TWO

PARISHES

(P) – People's Warden (V) – Vicar's Warden Bishop's Warden (B)

I - THE CATHEDRAL

Christ Church Cathedral, Nelson: Constituted a Parish 25 March 1863.

Dean: Very Rev Dr G O'Brien
 Precentor: Rev S Jordan
 Churchwardens: Mr D Lucas (V), Mrs J A Smith (P)
 Clergy Canons: Rev S Martin, Rev N Whinney
 Lay Canons: Mr G W Allan, Mr S Perris
 Synodspersons: Mr G W Allan, Mrs J S Smith

II – PARISHES: NELSON DEANERY

1. Nelson - All Saints': Constituted a Parish 25 November 1862

Vicar: Rev T Bustin
 Priest Assistant: Rev G Taylor
 Churchwardens: Mr D List (V), Mrs J Sears (P)
 Synodspersons: Miss L Truman, Dr P J Sears
 AAW: Ms N Curtis (Chair), K Cuthbert

2. Atawhai-Hira - St Peter's: Constituted a Parish 3 October 2003

Governance Team for whole parish: Commissioner and Parish Synod Reps

Commissioner: Rev Canon Simon Martin
 Synodspersons: Mrs A Evatt
 Priest Assistant: Rev G Taylor (St John's, Hira)

Management Team for St John's Hira:

Rev C Naseri, C Decesare, S Wastney

Ministry Team for St John's Hira:

Rev G Taylor, Rev C Naseri, N Naseri, S Wastney

3. Stoke - St Barnabas': Constituted a Parish 11 June 1977.

Vicar: Rev P Greenwood
 Priest Assistant: Rev J Saxon
 Churchwardens: Messrs G Suckling (V), S Tanner (P)
 Synodspersons: Mr M McDonald, Ms A Fraser

4. Tahunanui - St Stephen's: Constituted a Parish in 1986.

Vicar: Rev J K Kathuri
 Churchwardens: Mr D Tough (V), Mrs L Bruce (P)
 Synodspersons: Messrs C Simmons, J Matthews

5. Victory: Constituted a Parish 28 October 1995

Vicar: Rev P (Nzi) Nzimbi
 Churchwardens: Mr N Jackson (V), Mrs J Brunt (P)
 Synodspersons: Ms Laura Fear, Ms Susan Baker

II – PARISHES: MARLBOROUGH DEANERY

6. Awatere - Seddon: (Christian Joint Venture): Constituted a Parish 9 Sept 2010

Vicar:	Rev J Phillips
Churchwardens:	Dr R Cameron (V), Mrs L Murray (P)
Synodspersons:	Mrs H Neame, Ms K Sinclair
Parish Nurse:	Mrs R Cameron
Sub-Districts:	Ward, Wharanui, Kekerengu, Awatere Valley, Seddon

7. Blenheim - Church of the Nativity: Constituted a Parish 16 September 1964.

Vicar:	Rev G Ashworth
Churchwardens:	Mr P De Bruyn (V), Mrs R Struthers (P)
Synodspersons:	Mr A Smith, Mrs C Bristed

8. Blenheim South - St Christopher's: Constituted a Parish 12 June 1989.

Vicar:	Rev Dr D Vistar
Churchwardens:	Mrs M Griffiths (P), Mr S Scaife (V)
Synodspersons:	Mesdames M Griffiths, V Nicholson; Mr A Nicholson

9. Havelock - St Peter's and the Sounds: Constituted a Parish 9 September 2010

Vicar:	Vacant
Transitional Ministry Leader:	Rt Rev R Ellena
Rural Chaplain:	Rev K Topp
Churchwardens:	Mr C Lordan (B), Mrs H Ellena (P)
Synodspersons:	Mr C Lordan
Sub-Districts:	D'Urville Island, French Pass, Kenepuru, Pelorus Sound (Homewood), Linkwater, Okaramio, Okiwi Bay, Rai Valley, Waitaria

10. Kaikoura - St Peter's: Constituted a Parish 9 September 2010

Priest in Charge:	Rev C Wilson
Interim Priest in Charge:	Rev S Baldwin <i>15 Jul – 15 Oct 2025</i>
Churchwardens:	Ms N Woodill (V), K Chirnside (P)
Synodspersons:	Mr S Hill and Mrs N Kahler
Sub-Districts:	Clarence River, Oaro

11. Picton - Holy Trinity: Constituted a Parish 7 December 1879

Vicar:	Rev M-J van der Wal <i>until 1 Nov 2025</i>
Churchwardens:	Ms D Pook (V), Mr J Stretton (P)
Synodspersons:	Ms D Pook
Sub-Districts:	Koromiko, Queen Charlotte Sound and Tory Channel

12. Spring Creek - St Luke's: Constituted a Parish in 1986.

Vicar: Vacant
Churchwardens: Mr A Matthews (B)
Synodspersons: Ms D Dinmore

13. Wairau Valley – Renwick Anglican, Church of the Good Shepherd, Wairau V:

Constituted a Parish in 1986.

Vicar: Vacant
Priest Assistant: Rev D Paton
Churchwardens: Mr B Paton (B), Mrs N Stace (P)
Synodspersons: Mr B Paton, Ms M Hodgson

II – PARISHES: MAWHERA DEANERY

14. Buller - St John the Evangelist: Constituted a Parish 2 October 1993

Vicar: Rev M Watts
Priest Assistant: Rev R M Halsall
Churchwardens: Mr P Cannell (V), Mr W Whitehead (P)
Synodspersons: Mrs S Garlick, Mr S Young, Youth – Mr L Watts
Sub-Districts: Granity, Karamea, Waimangaroa

15. Cobden-Runanga - Church of the Resurrection, Cobden, & St Thomas' Runanga:
Constituted a Parish 9 September 2010

Vicar: Ven T F Mora
Churchwardens: Mr G Booth (V), Mrs S Newman (P)
Synodspersons: Mesdames S Newman, C E Nimmo
Sub-Districts: Atarau, Barrytown, Blackball

16. Greymouth & Kumara - Holy Trinity: Constituted a Parish 7 April 1879.

Vicar: Rev M Tefft
Priest Assistant: Ven R P Kingston
Churchwardens: Mrs L Ewan (V), Mr W Lorimer (P)
Synodspersons: Ms B Walters, Dr G Wood
Sub-Districts: Boddytown, Dobson, Kumara, Otira

17. Reefton & the Grey Valley- St Stephen's: Constituted a Parish 9 Sept 2010

Parish status suspended from 1 September 2021 for 2 years and extended for 1 year

Vicar: Vacant
Lay Minister: Mrs H Ladds
Sub-Districts: Ikamatua, Haupiri, Maruia, Moana, Ngahere, Springs Junction

II – PARISHES: WAIMEA DEANERY

18. Golden Bay – Church of the Epiphany, Takaka and St Cuthbert's, Collingwood:
Constituted a Parish 9 September 2010

Vicar: Rev M Johnson *from 9 Feb. 2025*
Churchwardens: Mr B F Sparrow (V), Mrs M A Tait (P)
Synodspersons: Mr B F Sparrow, Ms M Harte

19. Motueka - St Thomas': Constituted a Parish 20 September 1962

Vicar: Rev R Pickersgill-Brown
Priest Assistant: Rev L N Bowdler
Churchwardens: Mr M Versfeld (V), Ms J Turner (P)
Synodspersons: Mr G Adams
Sub-Districts: Riwaka, Ngatimoti

20. Richmond - Holy Trinity: Constituted a Parish in 1986.

Vicar: Rev Z Elliott
Priest Assistant: Rev J Palmer
Churchwardens: Ms V White (V), Mr S Perris (P)
Synodspersons: Dr J Palmer, Messrs K Kruse, Mr E Whyte
Sub-Districts: Appleby

21. Waimea - St Paul's, Brightwater: Constituted a Parish in 1986.

Vicar: Rev P Milson *until 8th Sept 2025*
Assistant Priest: Dr P Ross *Acting Vicar from 9th Jun 2025*
Churchwardens: Mr A Wright (V), Mrs S Schruer (P)
Synodspersons: Mr A Wright, Mrs V Seager
Sub-District: Waimea West

22. Wakefield and Districts - St John's: Constituted a Parish 18 September 2015

Transitional Ministry Leader during an interregnum: Rev P Greenwood
Churchwardens: Mrs A Nelson (V), Ms T Lodge (P)
Synodspersons: Mr J Nelson, Mesdames R Stevenson, J Allnutt
Sub-Districts: Murchison, Tapawera, Motupiko

III – MISSION UNITS

Mapua: [The Hills Community Church Trust]

Vicar: Rev E Holmes *from 20 July 2025*
Interim Minister: Rev I Smith *until 20 July 2025*
HCC Trust Chair: Mr I Williams
Synodspersons: Mesdames J Lockwood, S Williams

MEMBERS OF SYNOD

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* 2025 Alternates: *nil*

YOUTH REPS

Nelson (2) - nil

Marlborough (2) - nil

Waimea (2) - nil

Mawhera (2)

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PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE

As at 29th July 2025

Retired Bishops

Expires

The Right Rev D L Eaton	QSM MA (Cum Laude) DipTh TT Cert	10/2025
The Right Rev V R Ellena	BMus LTh	06/2028

Clergy

The Rev S J Allcutt		10/2027
The Rev S J Baldwin	BA MDiv MRE	10/2025
The Rev R J Barnes	LTh	06/2028
The Rev P D Bean OBE	LTh	10/2025
The Rev L J (Joy) Bradley	BSc	10/2025
The Rev M A Cotter	BMin	10/2027
The Rev K H Dyer	BSc (Hons) DipTchg BTheol MMin	10/2025
The Rev R Dyer	ThA (Hons) DipEv MCAIRANZ	10/2025
The Rev K Gwynne	LTh LTCL(Speech) MNZHCA CertBibCouns	10/2026
The Rev D G Harding	BA	01/2028
The Rev B Harford	DipTchg BEd DipBS	06/2026
The Rev D M Harrison	BMin	03/2028
The Rev B C (Pam) Holdgate		10/2025
The Ven D Hollingsworth		10/2025
The Rev G T Holmes	BTh MSc DipDM	06/2028
The Rev S M Hooper	BTh LLB MJur	10/2028
The Rev L R Hurd-McKee		05/2026
The Rev P L Lyes	BDiv CA BComm	06/2028
The Rev M W Maina	MA BA GradDipTh	10/2028
The Rev Y McLean	DipBS GradDipTh	07/2027
The Rev J M Moore	BMin <i>during appt as Pioneering Min Enabler</i>	
The Rev F A Murbach	TSE	10/2025
The Rev N M Petterson	BE(Hons), ME (Fire), BTh	10/2028
The Rev E J Sears	BSc DipTch LTh(Hons 2 nd class)	06/2026
The Rev J A Sherlock	BTh PGDipTh BA PGDipArts NZDipBus	04/2026
The Rev I H Smith	BTh(Hons)	10/2025
The Rev M Taylor		10/2027
The Rev K C Thompson	BA LTh BMin	10/2026
The Rev K D Topp		10/2025
The Very Rev C R Tyrrell	QSO, BA, MTh	10/2025
The Rev E Vallaidam	BTh Dip AngS	10/2026
The Rev A B Wasley	DipLTh	06/2028
The Rev J A Wasley	BSc BTh	10/2025

The Rev N P Whinney	BA DipTh	10/2025
The Rev B Wood	GradDipTh BComm <i>during appt as Youth Enabler</i>	
The Rev C Worsley	AFNZIM, FCA	08/2027

LAY MINISTRY LICENCES

As at 7th August 2024

Expires

All Saints

ALLPRESS	David	28/02/2026
Oomen	Samuel	30/06/2028

Atawhai/Hira

STRATFORD	Brian	30/06/2027
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Awatere

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Blenheim

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Blenheim South

WANG	Guan	31/10/2027
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Buller

DALLEY	Petcharaporn <u>Nui</u>	31/10/2025
GARLICK	Sharon	10/09/2025
LARSEN	Brenda	30/10/2025
MURPHY	Kathryn	10/09/2025
PALMER	Lois	10/09/2025
STONE	Colleen <u>Faye</u>	31/10/2026
WALKER	William	31/10/2027
WEARING	Marilyn	10/09/2025
YOUNG	Margaret	31/10/2026
YOUNG	Stephen	31/10/2026

Cathedral

ALLAN	Graham	30/11/2027
JOWITT	Jillian	30/10/2026
SMITH	Jocelyn	15/04/2028

Cobden/Runanga

SMITHSON	Barry Dawson	31/10/2025
STENGs	Henk	31/10/2025

Golden Bay

SPARROW	Brandon	05/04/2026
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		<u>Expires</u>
<i>Greymouth</i>		
EWAN	Lee, <u>Samara</u>	30/09/2027
FENSOM	Diana	30/09/2027
FENSOM	Eric	30/09/2027
WHITE	Peter	30/09/2027
<i>Havelock</i>		
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<i>Kaikoura</i>		
HILL	Stephen	30/06/2027
HURST	Hilary	10/09/2025
KAHLER	Nora	30/06/2027
McCABE	Michael	10/09/2025
McCHESNEY	Marion	10/09/2025
<i>Mapua</i>		
	-	
<i>Motueka</i>		
	-	
<i>Picton</i>		
BROWN	Catherine	30/06/2026
BROWN	David	30/06/2026
<i>Reefton & the Grey Valley</i>		
LADDS	Hilary	30/11/2025
<i>Richmond</i>		
CLOVER	Gary	15/04/2028
CLOVER	Sara	15/04/2028
PALMER	John	04/12/2025
<i>Spring Creek</i>		
	-	
<i>Stoke</i>		
	-	
<i>Tahunanui</i>		
COLE	Gavin	31/12/2025
FABER	Atje	30/04/2026
HUNTER	Daphne	31/10/2025
SIMMONS	Colin	31/10/2025
SIMMONS	Jackie	31/10/2025
VAN DER VAL	Renata	01/08/2027

		<u>Expires</u>
Victory		
HOLLAND	Janis	01/08/2027
SHAW	Jason	01/08/2027
STARK	Pat	01/08/2027
VAN DER MARK	Marzaan (Marzi)	01/08/2027
Waimea		
	-	
Wairau Valley		
	-	
Wakefield and Districts		
JOHNSTON	Michael	01/03/2028
<i>(n) New</i>		

LETTERS OF AUTHORITY

Rt Rev V R Ellena	Transitional Ministry Leader, Havelock & the Sounds
Rev P N Greenwood	Transitional Ministry Leader during interregnum, Wakefield & Districts
Rev G Holmes	Diocesan Faith & Science Ambassador
Rev N Jackson	Ministry in Victory Parish
Rev M W Maina	Women in Leadership Ministry Developer
Rev J Moore	Diocesan Pioneering Ministries Enabler
Ms J Northfield	Rest Home Chaplaincy Coordinator
Ms A Poil	Ministry Coordinator – Children & Families
Mr J Shaw	Ministry Coordinator- Social Services
Rev K Topp	Rural Chaplain, Havelock & Sounds
Mr Hans van der Wal	Diocesan Chancellor
Rev C Wilson	Diocesan Creation Care Ambassador
Rev B Wood	Diocesan Youth and Young Adults Enabler

ACTS OF THE BISHOP

Issued

ORDINATIONS

PRIEST

Revd Jude Anthony Saxon	2-3-2025
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LICENCES

Vicar

Rev Paul Nzimbi Mwanzia	Victory Parish	2-2-2025
Rev Mark Alan Johnson	Golden Bay Parish	9-2-2025

Priest Assistant

Rev Gordon Frederick Taylor	St John's, Hira	1-2-2025
Rev Jude Anthony Saxon	Stoke Parish	2-3-2025

Minister of Parish

Rev Emily Jane Holmes	Hills CC, Mapua	20-7-2025
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Acting Vicar

Rev Peter Graham Ross	Waimea Parish	9-6-2025 to 9-9-2025
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Honorary Priest & Precentor

Rev Steven Paul Jordan	Christ Church Cathedral	14-3-2025
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DEED OF APPOINTMENT

Regional Dean

Rev Glen Norman Ashworth	Marlborough Regional Deanery	6-1-2025
Rev Philip Nathan Greenwood	Nelson Regional Deanery	6-1-2025
Rev Robin Pilbrow Kingston	Mawhera Regional Deanery	6-1-2025
Rev Paul Stefan Milson	Waimea Regional Deanery	6-1-2025

Cathedral Canon

Rev Canon Nigel Whinney	Christ Church Cathedral	14-3-2025
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PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE

Rev Emmanuel Vallaidam	16-4-2025
Rev Stephen Martin Hooper	15-7-2025

LAY

LICENCE TO THE OFFICE OF LAY MINISTRY

Michael Johnston	Wakefield and Districts	23-2-2025
Samuel Thomas Oomen	All Saints Parish	24-6-2025

LETTER OF AUTHORITY

Mrs Amanda Poil	Ministry Coordinator- Children and Families	30-4-2025
Rev Mary <u>Watiri</u> Maina	Women in Ministry Leadership Developer	10-6-2025

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

Nigel Massey	Wakefield Parish	16-4-2025
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In grateful recognition of your twenty-four years of faithful service on the Vestry and as Parish Treasurer. Your commitment and outstanding dedication have been greatly appreciated and a blessing to the life and ministry of Wakefield Parish.

FACULTIES ISSUED

1221	Richmond	Replacement Vestry furniture	30.10.24
1222	Blenheim	Remove half pews Nativity Church	19.11.24
1223	Blenheim	Repaint, recarpet, install chandelier and brass plaques in foyer, Nativity Church	03.05.25
1224	Atawhai-Hira	Remove screen, install TV, St John's Hira	03.04.25
1225	Cathedral	Install under-pew heating in nave	09.04.25
1226	Golden Bay	Recycle unused kneelers, Takaka	24.07.25

SECTION THREE - REPORTS

STANDING COMMITTEE

This report summarises key diocesan topics and strategic discussions from the Standing Committee minutes and Diocese Manager reports. It reflects the efforts, due diligence, and deliberations of Standing Committee members on behalf of all parishes throughout the Diocese.

Standing Committee Meeting attendances September 2024 - August 2025*

Bishop Steve Maina (9), Revd. Simon Martin (8) *acting as Bishop* (2), Very Rev Graham O'Brien (10), Revd. Marge Tefft (7), Ms Helen Neame (8), Ms Kate Bristed (8), Mr Alastair Smith (8), Mr Laurie Gabites (6), Revd. Joe Keighley (1)

*Note: Appointments/ Resignations and Retirements of members listed at end of report.

Ministry

At each Standing Committee the Bishop has presented updates of parish ministries, clergy appointments and overseen the Bishop Ministry Team (BMT). The BMT team comprises of staff involved across the Diocese with Child and Families, Youth and Young Adults, Social Services, Pioneer ministry, Ministry Education, Events and training. The new Older Persons Ministry Coordinator will also be joining this team when they start in their role in late September 2025.

The Bishop's charge at Synod 2024 was for a season of evangelism culminating in the Haere Mai initiatives by parishes occurring over the Easter-Pentecost season 2025. The Bishop also attended the Lausanne Missions Congress in Seoul.

The City-to-City project highlighted needs that have culminated into three new initiatives for supporting parish revitalisation:

- Wayfinder: A day workshop for parishes to clarify their vision, mission and actionable goals.
- Haere Mai: In response to the Diocese wide initiative 'Haere Mai, Jesus matters, come and see', which arose from a Synod motion last year, every parish was encouraged to apply for funding so they could participate in running at least one intentionally evangelistic initiative. Standing Committee prioritised this initiative and celebrated the exciting stories of people hearing the Good News of Jesus across the Diocese. (See the Haere Mai report for more details)
- Evangelism Culture & Confidence: Training from a specialist for parishioners, for equipping for clergy leaders to lead change and a new group of passionate evangelists gathered with Bishop Steve.
- Convergence, Easter and Leadership Camps have all been well supported as part of Ministry Education, leadership support, evangelism and discipling. An initiative to advance and support woman in ministry leadership has also begun during the year.

Strategic Planning Outcomes

An inaugural strategic planning day was held comprising of Standing Committee members, NDTB trustees and senior management staff, and was facilitated by Wilberforce CEO Chris Clark. There was considerable goodwill amongst everybody present and there were four overriding strategy themes developed. These are:

1. Clarifying our longer-term vision to 2040
2. Enhancing all our ministries
3. Developing appropriate governance and leadership structures
4. Diversifying and building financial sustainability

The overarching vision emphasises a mission-driven, outward-focused church being relevant and sustainable leading to 2040. This work is ongoing, and a more detailed report will be presented to Synod 2026.

Legal Opinion

A major legal opinion was obtained to steer the Diocesan on several statutory and regulatory responsibilities the Diocese and NDTB have on behalf of everyone. The issues cover overall governance-management responsibilities, both as entities and as individuals; health and safety and PCBU accountabilities, and investment decision making.

The opinion clarified both the Standing Committee and NDTB of their governance and decision-making responsibilities. It also stated the importance of the NDTB as the legal owner of all church properties and investments, and their responsibilities for property management. Some further questions of legal clarification by NDTB are being sought now to guide them in their obligations.

New Ventures

Social Housing Feasibility studies had previously been commissioned for Wairau, Wakefield and Golden Bay. The Renwick project did not proceed, while both Wakefield and Golden Bay are now considering alternative housing or business ventures.

Awatere have also been discussing a housing project, and this has had on-going discussions with their cooperating partner of the Presbyterian executive.

A new MOU with Hills Christian Community Trust and the Diocese has established a positive and progressive relationship. This is further enhanced with the recent appointment of Emily Homes as a minister there.

Within Atawhai-Hira, a Bishop-led intervention to initiate a new ministry restart plan and community hub vision is being trialed.

IT Project Investment

A significant IT project is being rolled out to improve IT effectiveness and security across the Diocese. The project includes implementing new systems like i-Payroll, ApprovalMax accounting, and a CRM (database) platform all within the Microsoft 365 cloud-based framework.

The rollout is phased with training and support provided. Stage 2 in 2026 will offer significant time savings for parishes in compliance and admin work. Interestingly, three other Dioceses in NZ have watched our Diocese 'pioneering' this comprehensive and integrated IT project progress and have commenced similar projects with this IT provider.

HR and Employer Responsibilities

The Diocese reinstated its role as the legal employer for parish staff, clarifying liability and management responsibilities. Parishes retain day-to-day management tasks while the Diocese oversees HR contractual and legal responsibilities. This change enhances compliance with employment law and provides protections for parishes with any potential employment disputes.

Health and Safety

Establishing an Emergency Response Team

Over the course of the year there have been several local and regional emergencies. These emergencies can be very broad from weather-related to serious allegations within parishes suddenly arising.

In response to this, over the past months there has been work completed to develop a new Policy and Procedure for how the Diocese should respond to each of these situations as they arise through a newly established Emergency Response Team. The members of the team consist of Diocese Manager (Convenor), Diocesan Health and Safety Coordinator, Bishop, Vicar General.

This is in the final stages of preparation and will be presented at the next Standing Committee meeting in September.

Safeguarding

Synod 2024 Motion 7 prompted a diocesan-wide Safeguarding Campaign, including a proposed fixed-term role to oversee implementation. The emphasis was to provide specific safeguarding training to leaders and ministry team members on safety and awareness, including regular refreshers, and robust appointment processes for those working with vulnerable populations.

Funding options have been explored, and some of the funding may need to be approved by Synod to come from general reserves.

Cathedral Project

Standing Committee received a report on the Cathedral Project from the Diocesan Manager in December 2024 and one of the recommendations was to establish an interim Cathedral Project subcommittee. This committee with representatives of the Cathedral Parish, Diocesan and Trust Board representatives have been meeting successfully under a co-chair arrangement. The Standing Committee and this subcommittee acknowledged the dedicated work that had been carried out by a cathedral parish committee over the past four years to present the proposal for strengthening the cathedral.

This interim committee has been involved with the appointment of a project manager being assigned to collate all the documents required for a resource consent for the re-strengthening and removal of the earthquake prone notice.

The sub-committee's other tasks have included discerning the overall vision for the cathedral project from just a restrengthening of the cathedral project to a larger vision that would allow greater community and regional engagement with the cathedral. This includes considering performing arts events and a possible visitor centre, to determine fundraising -especially identifying cathedral-owned land that could potentially be developed with housing with the proceeds from sales being forwarded to the cathedral project, the drafting of another legal entity that would be responsible for the overall project and promotion of it on behalf of the cathedral and the Diocese.

Standing Committee has received monthly updates from the subcommittee, and it is hoped to establish the new legal trust for this project soon.

Self-Insurance

The NDTB and Diocese are exploring a self-insurance style to reduce long-term insurance costs for all diocesan and parish properties. The Anglican Insurance Board has now established a creditable insurance programme which is being well supported by other Diocese and church schools in New Zealand. A final decision on any change of insurance broker will be made prior to the end of 2025.

Appointments-Retirements-Resignations

Appointments Diocese-wide: (Governance memberships listed below)

- Anglican Women's Studies Centre Diocesan Representative: Revd. Watiri Maina
- Lake Rotoiti Chapel Trust Representative: Rev Emily Holmes
- Dixon House Representatives: Ven. Robin Kingston and Ms Jenny Hole
- Synod Youth Representative (Mawhera Deanery): Luke Watts
- Ordination of Rev Jude Saxon as Priest, and Assistant Priest Stoke Parish
- Commissioning of Rev. Paul Nzimbi Mwanzia at Victory Parish, Rev. Mark Johnson at Golden Bay Parish and Rev. Emily Holmes at Mapua Hills Christian Community

Anglican Centre

- Graeme Mitchell (Mitch) appointed Diocesan Manager (Sept.2024)
- Penelope Baber has taken on the new role of Diocesan/NDTB Property Coordinator
- Amanda Poil appointed Diocese Ministry Coordinator – Children and Families, joining BMT
- Erin O'Sullivan-Moffatt joined the finance team at the Anglican Centre as payroll and finance administrator.
- Renata van der Wal new role with City-to-City NZ and part time Diocese Ministry Education Administration
- Petra Oomen (Comms) returned from leave July 2025
- Allison Mitchell appointed Diocesan reception/administration support
- Liesel de Kriek appointed Ministry Coordinator – Older Persons Services commencing September 2025.

Governance Appointments**Standing Committee**

Rev Zane Elliott (Sept 2024)

Mr Alastair Smith (Oct 2024)

Risk and Assurance Committee

Mr Ian Williams (July 2025)

Anglican Care Committee

Merryl Hodgson (August 2025)

Raewyn Johnson (August 2025)

Governance Resignations/ Retirements**Standing Committee**

Rev Joe Keighley (Sept 2024)

Mr Laurie Gabites (Feb 2025)

Anglican Care Committee

Keith Buck (Sept 2024)

Mary Griffiths (May 2025)

On behalf of all Standing Committee members, it is an honour to serve the Diocese in this ministry

Graeme Mitchell

Diocesan Manager

August 2025

ANGLICAN CARE COMMITTEE

Introduction

Over the past year we have tried to ensure each of the four (4) Deaneries are represented on the committee. A big thank you to Keith Buck and Mary Griffiths who have retired from the committee during the last year. Although we have temporarily been unrepresented by Marlborough Deanery, at the time of writing we are looking forward to the appointment of Merryl Hodgson.

Current members

Laurie Gabites (Chair), Daphne Hunter, Rev Steve Jordan, Jen Lockwood (Waimea), Stephen Young (Mawhera).

As has been the case each year we receive applications from both parishes and other Christian based organisations. As well we see several hardship grants from other social service organisations we work with. This is very much part of the work we have done in building our relationship with the community and an acknowledgement that social service is a key part of mission.

We are fortunate being able to utilise funds from Trusts held by the Nelson Anglican Diocese to meet what is becoming an increasing need for support. Each application is dealt with on an individual basis and is required to meet criteria as set out in the terms of each fund.

The following trust funds are distributed by the ACC:

A: Funds available for individuals and/or families (applications at any time)

1. **John and Hazel Baigent Trust** for those aged over 60 for the relief of poverty and sickness and for housing needs or other charitable purposes.
2. **Godwin Trust** for the charitable work of caring for children or other charitable purposes. (Finite)
3. **Mary Foster-Barham Trust** for the care of elderly and children in a disadvantaged position within the Nelson and Richmond municipal boundaries.
4. **Endres Trust** for social services work to assist needy families or persons in the Diocese (Approved by the Bishop and Diocesan Manager)
5. **Whareama Trust** to assist the elderly in situations not covered by other trust funds. eg. grandparents raising grandchildren. \$5,000 pa.

B: Project funds

1. **Whakarewa Trust** (ACC) for charitable and social service purposes. Applications are accepted by 1st February, June and October each year.
Projects funded for 2025: Greymouth Youth Worker \$3,000, Loaves & Fishes \$5,000, Victory Youth Development Program \$10,000, Richmond Lunch on the Hill \$3,000, Tahunanui Chill \$10,000, Nativity Church Counselling Ministry \$1,000 for 3 years.
2. **Whareama Trust** for Hospital & Rest Home Chaplaincy. Applications accepted 1st February, June and October each year.
3. **Mary Foster-Barham Trust** for the care of elderly and children in a disadvantaged position within the Nelson and Richmond boundaries. Annual applications by 1 July for projects meeting these criteria aside from that granted to other needs throughout the year.
Projects funded for 2025: Richmond Friends n Fun Coordinator \$13,500, Richmond Waimea Youth Trust (24/7) \$8,000.
4. **Older Persons' Ministry Fund** for the care of older persons
This fund has two (2) parts. There are non-contestable funds which each parish is eligible for, to be used in this area of work. If used without contestable funding it can be applied for at any time. Combined non-contestable and contestable funds shared across each deanery requires an application on a 3-yearly basis. Applications are required by 31 August.
5. **The Tindall Foundation** makes available annual funding with the broad criteria of "a hand up not a handout". Applications are accepted using the forms on the Anglican Care Network and Tindall Foundation web sites and parishes are encouraged to check out the criteria. We can help with questions around what type of funding is eligible.

Funds distributed by the St Andrew's Family Trust (SAFT):

1. SAFT Hardship funds for the care of children (and families).
2. SAFT project funds for the care of children (and families). Applications accepted by the St Andrew's Family Trust in August each year.

Work with others

This year has seen further work in developing relationship with other agencies but also with funding partners.

We are working closely with Fifeshire Foundation, Care Foundation and Top of the South Community Trust. Along with some coordination with Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) we have formed the Little Collective.

Over the next year we hope to look at a project to help with health-related issues in the community which will be helped by the appointment of a project officer who will be funded from external sources.

We also want to develop similar relationships across the Diocese that might offer opportunities to work together and possibly fund requests for hardship.

It has been a special year building those relationships and working with others. We, as a part of the church are seen as very credible by many people. This is encouraging as we are seeing an increase in applications for hardship in which our criteria limit the amount, so working with others we often share the costs. A bonus for everyone and there is a huge positive side when we can see several organisations working together to make a difference for families and individuals.

This year we have enjoyed the assistance and commitment to the Committee of Jason Shaw, the Ministry Coordinator – Social Services, along with the assistance he has provided to parishes.

Good News

We're not just here for ourselves. We're here for the good of our communities, building trust with social service organisations, walking alongside whānau, and being a visible, compassionate presence, and building trust in the community as we demonstrate we are here to serve, help and offer support. I know many churches are already in this space which is great.

My sense is that we often ignore the great value of partnering with agencies or individuals as an opportunity increase visibility and align our mission work.

If we head down a path of openness in the church, social services can assist with opportunities to meet people at their place, especially those suffering hardship or stress.

In our case, involvement with organisations to help share our workload. We hear often from other agencies their joy of working with us, sharing our knowledge and concerns. For us it is very much expressing our faith by actions. Again, this year we have been part of the Fifeshire Winter Energy Programme providing firewood and in some case energy payments. I hope this means there are several people who without help would not be warm in their own home.

We have tried to ensure our vision is one of action and our connection with others, some who have come to us for help has been welcome.

Perhaps taking a bit of a leap, I feel working with others, sharing information and identifying need has been our commitment and if those opportunities remain so will our commitment. It also helps us understand the wider community.

This year has been one of a bit of change. We have looked at how we deal with hardship grants, we have made some changes to our application and accountability forms to make them easier for you and we have encouraged projects that have a connection to the community. Our goal is to ensure we keep what we do fresh with outcomes that deliver results and outcomes that help others.

So, we plan to continue down that path of connecting with organisations such as we have already, but also explore other opportunities. As I mentioned we will also explore outside the Nelson/Tasman area where our initial focus has been.

It is an exciting time, and we look forward to growing this collaborative approach. In my view it fits well with the revitalisation vision of Bishop Steve.

Thank you

This is the work of a few people and firstly can I thank the members of the committee for their on-going work and support. It is a big commitment, but they are always there and do such a wonderful job. I also want to say a great big thank you to Deborah Oliver for her amazing contribution and vast knowledge that supports us so well. A thank you to Jason Shaw for his contribution he is a great addition to the team. During the year the support of the Diocesan Manager, has been amazing and inspiring for me. Thank you.

I also want to continue to thank our friends from Fifeshire Foundation, Care Foundation, Top of the South Community Trust and DIA. As well the number of Social Service Agencies who we have had the privilege to work with. We look forward to the next years and the Care Foundation.

Thank you all for the opportunity to the discovering our mutual goals to then to make things happen out there in the Community and impact on people in need. Thank you all for the chance to listen and share our community experiences along with practical skills and resources.

Mā mua ka kite a muri, mā muri ka ora a mua

Those who lead give sight to those who follow, those who follow give life to those who lead

Whakamānawa

Laurie Gabites, Chair – Anglican Care Committee

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Healthy Shoots – Signs of Growth

We are seeing encouraging signs of revitalisation in the way our parishes are engaging with Health & Safety training. In the past year, 212 people have completed training through our new customised online training platform, with others continuing to use the standard SMO site. This shift reflects a growing acceptance of digital tools and appreciation of training that is relevant to our diocesan context.

The new platform has made it easier for SafeHere Coordinators to maintain compliance and has allowed us to tailor content to the specific needs of our ministries. This is a clear example of how we are equipping the saints for ministry by making safety training more accessible, meaningful, and sustainable.

Needing Pruning – What Must Change

Our SafeHere Safety Management System, last revised in 2013 by ChildSafe (NZ), is now showing its age. Since 2013, ChildSafe (NZ) has closed, and the SMO is now maintained in Australia with no further updates to the New Zealand training. In the meantime, legislation, codes of practice, and societal expectations have evolved significantly, particularly in light of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care.

While our in-house training videos and online platform have extended the life of SafeHere, it may be time for a strategic pruning. We need to explore options for the future—whether that means developing our own system or collaborating with other dioceses. I recommend incremental change rather than disruption, and development of generic safety training, along with ministry-specific modules. Clarifying links between roles and training requirements will also support ministry safety.

This pruning is necessary if we are to continue building up the body of Christ with systems that are fit for purpose.

Invitation – Planting New Seeds

Wellbeing as a Ministry Priority

Our parishes are under pressure. Change is hard, and we are trying to revitalise the Church with fewer, older people. But if we are to thrive, we must prioritise the wellbeing of our people. This includes:

- Promoting healthy lifestyles and relationships.
- Encouraging supportive work habits and rhythms.
- Creating ways of working that are life-giving, not draining.
- Promoting spiritual health.

Wellbeing should be at the core of ministry. It is a core part of the “health” in Health & Safety. I encourage every parish to plan intentionally for wellbeing. This is an important part of outreach, as we model healthy, Christ-centred community life.

Managing Psychosocial Risks

We’ve all seen the toll that ministry can take—burnout, conflict, and hurt.

Psychosocial risks are now recognised under the Health & Safety at Work Act (2015), and managing them is both a legal and pastoral responsibility.

This is a new seed we must plant in our church culture. By identifying and addressing these risks, we can:

- Foster healthier teams and leadership.
- Reduce harm and attrition.
- Create safe spaces for discipleship and growth.

Psychosocial risks are rarely addressed in our current parish risk registers. By the time you read this report I should have developed new templates to help parishes assess and manage these risks. Please reach out if you’d like support in this area.

Russell Nimmo

Diocese Health & Safety Coordinator

ASSOCIATION OF ANGLICAN WOMEN (AAW)

Aims: To unite in Prayer and Participate in the Mission of the Church
To Promote, Safeguard and Nurture Christian Family Life.

Our theme for the next three years is: “Prayer, Praise and Purpose”

As Nelson Diocesan Association of Anglican Women we are part of a New Zealand wide organisation with the same aims and purpose. This is the largest organisation within the Anglican Church giving a voice and representation to women.

In this season of revitalisation we believe God has reminded us that even though our membership is declining, we still have a responsibility and joy to nurture and encourage the spiritual and physical lives of our members. Our regular meetings in the parishes keep us informed on issues around us, mission opportunities and enable us to support each other.

We have six groups in the Nelson Diocese and meet twice a year . These connections between groups from different parishes in the Nelson Diocese are very worthwhile. In the first six months of this year we have had an AGM and a chance to get together to share and learn.

What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in yur ministry?

The real and enthausiastic support of our mission project in Uganda (Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation) for which the Nelson Diocesan Association of Anglican Women raised over \$4,000 and throughout NZ it was over \$15,000. This was from mostly retired and elderly members, who not only give, but also pray. There is continuing interest in social concerns through listening to speakers serving within the community.

What needs pruning, not going well, and perhaps it needs to stop or change.

There is natural change of our membership due to age and being unable to drive, but were not ready to give up as yet as the fellowship and nurturing is really important.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

As newly retired women come into our churches or we meet in our community environment we need to be more purposeful in inviting them into our Association of Anglican Women groups, especially as loneliness is a big issue.

As our Association of Anglican Women's theme this year is “Praise” our groups are, and will continue to be praying women for Ourselves, our Parishes, Diocese, and New Zealand Association of Anglican Women.

The support and encouragement by the Bishop and Vicars is appreciated by our groups and goes a long way to making us feel valued. Some elderly feel invisible in some parishes and gatherings like ours alleviate this.

Noeline Curtis

Leader

Nelson Diocesan Association of Anglican Women

DIOCESAN OVERSEAS MISSION COUNCIL (DOMC)

Major events throughout the world, both man made conflict and natural disasters have been a focus to us all over the past year.

The world turmoil of 2024 /25 has caused most Missional organisations, including our mission partners Church Missionary Society (CMS) and Anglican Missions to review and rethink their priorities for overseas mission.

Anglican Mission (AM) has made a commitment to providing assistance in Gaza, particularly to the Anglican Hospital there. AM has been able to do this through the help of the Diocese of Jerusalem, who still has banking facilities working in Gaza.

As well as this AM continues to set up disaster relief stations in Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga. These stations consist of containers set up with chain saws, shovels and many other tools and supplies that can be used during or following natural disasters.

There have been several changes within the mission world:

We heard with sadness of the fire and vandalism at the Christian Book Store in Wewak PNG and we pray for our sister Carolynne Luttah as she and her staff work to get things up and running again.

Our friend Liz in Pakistan has moved to Lahore due to the closure of the Christian Hostel at Hyderabad. Liz is working with Christian women's groups in her area.

We celebrated the move of Rev John and Connie Sherlock to Riwanda.

Please continue to hold these people and others working for our Lord overseas in your prayers.

Mission Trips

In October 2024 six members of the Awatere Parish (a Joint Venture Parish) travelled to Vanuatu. While staying near Port Vila they visited a Presbyterian Women's group on Pele Island, who the Awatere Parish had been supporting for some time. They visited in Mele Village, the church of an RSE worker who attends the church in Seddon while working here. A visit to Tagabe Anglican church in Port Vila was a time of sadness as they learnt of the death of Selwyn Leodora who had worked for Anglican Missions in Vanuatu for many years.

While there was a youth trip to Fiji in December 2023 however we didn't run one in 2024. Here's some information from Rev Brad Wood about this year's trip:

The 2025 Fiji Ministry Exchange is an exciting cross-cultural trip organised by the Nelson Anglican Diocese from 5–14 December. This year's team of 11 includes five youth (aged 15–18) from across the Diocese, joined by a leadership team made up of Brad Wood (Youth Enabler), Takape and Rev. Cassie Komunaga (NZCMS), Marzi van der Mark (Victory), Renata van der Wal (St Stephens), and Hana Wood (St Barnabas). The exchange will include a five-day stay in Dreketi connecting with the local youth group there, followed by visits to key ministry partners and mission sites. The purpose of the trip is to deepen participants' faith, foster a heart for mission, and build lasting connections with Tikanga Pasifika whānau.

Helen Neame
Overseas Mission Rep for Nelson Diocese

CAIRA

CAIRA Professional Pastoral Supervision continues to be offered throughout the Nelson Diocese and beyond, staffed by professionally trained, licensed supervisors, meeting regularly with ordained and lay ministers and support people in various forms of ministry either in face-to-face situations or by Zoom.



The CAIRA model is based on the interaction of Collegiality, Accountability, Identity, Responsibility and Authority. The regular time an individual shares with the supervisor offers a safe place to discuss personal and role related work issues in order to grow in personal competence in the role. It provides an opportunity for:

- A confidential relationship, centred in an atmosphere of trust and competence.
- A suitable environment for reflection, exploration and expression of the issues the person receiving supervision considers important to him/her.
- Non-judgemental acceptance of the other using a Christ-centred model.

CAIRA at its heart has the aim of cultivating a deep appreciation of the nature of God's love in the practice of ministry and developing an awareness of how each minister can be both safe in their practice and provide security for those to whom they minister.

Celebrations and future opportunities:

Tim James has now stepped down as the coordinator for the Nelson/Marlborough group of Supervisors after a couple of years of wonderful leadership. This role has now been picked up by Jane Wulff. The Rev Richard Dyer has coordinated the 2024/25 training and is our representative on the National Advisory Group

Over 2024-2025 the Nelson/Marlborough and West Coast groups have maintained an active presence, with 11 supervisors drawn from a variety of denominations holding a current CAIRA NZ Supervisor's licence. Relicensing is required annually based on supervisors meeting ongoing professional development and training requirements.

Eight students have graduated in July as CAIRA supervisors which is exciting and bodes well for maintaining a group of supervisors into the future. The trainers are all from the current pool of supervisors who work as a team. The curriculum and content of the training course has included:

- a. Ethics and Self Care
- b. Mental Health Issues
- c. Gender and Sexuality Issues
- d. Cultural Issues
- e. Spiritual Health
- f. Crisis, Grief and Trauma
- g. Social Justice and Social Power
- h. Generational Understandings
- i. Church Politics

Supervisors are available to work with either clergy or lay people involved in ministry leadership roles. Supervision using Zoom may also be negotiated for people based in each of the deaneries or further afield.

It is encouraging to find CAIRA Pastoral Supervision being recognised and sought by members of an increasingly wide range of people-helping professions. With the Nelson Diocese pool of supervisors residing in both city and the rural areas including Kaikoura and the West Coast.

Challenges:

Maintaining a strong presence on both the West Coast and Marlborough continues to be a challenge. CAIRA is keen to hear of anyone in these regions who is willing to undertake training. At this stage, we don't foresee another training course being run before 2027. However, we welcome expressions of interest.

Renewal:

Ministry in any form is demanding and can trap us in risky practices and relationships. Supervision by its very nature is intended to keep the supervisees alert and reflective of their ministry practice. It invites us to be accountable and to take personal responsibility for what we do.

Keywords that are part of the supervision practice that will feed us and keep us growing in our dependence on God and his call are:

1. Improved Performance and Productivity:
2. Transparency and Trust:
3. Learning and Growth:
4. Ethical Behaviour:
5. Healthy Relationships:
6. Legal and Regulatory Compliance:
7. Effective Leadership:
8. Conflict Resolution:

See the website: www.caira.org.nz for further information including names of licensed supervisors available in the Nelson Diocese.

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CAIRA National Advisory Group representative for the Nelson Marlborough region

July 2025

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY



Presented to the Anglican Synod of Nelson

Covering Chaplaincy at Nelson, Alexandra and Wairau Hospitals

INTRODUCTION

Hospital chaplaincy services at **Nelson Hospital, Alexandra Hospital at Richmond, and Wairau Hospital** are provided through **Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa**-formerly known as the **Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy (ICHC)**. While the legal name remains unchanged, the updated name better reflects the ecumenical and nationally coordinated nature of the ministry.

Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa was established by nine partner Christian denominations, including the **Anglican Church**, which continues to play a key role in governance through **two representatives on the national Board of Trustees**.

The organisation works in partnership with **Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora** to place professionally trained chaplains in hospitals throughout the country. These chaplains offer high-quality, holistic spiritual and pastoral care to patients, their whanau, and hospital staff-regardless of faith background.

In the Nelson-Marlborough region, we have:

- **Rev. Stephen Gully**, Lead Chaplain and Chaplain at Nelson Hospital
- **Marion Rowe**, Chaplain at Wairau Hospital

Both are employed by Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa and serve as compassionate, trusted presences within their respective hospitals.

NELSON HOSPITAL

At Nelson Hospital, Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa employs a 0.9 FTE Chaplain alongside a part-time administrator, both of whom are supported by a team of Locum Chaplains and dedicated Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistants (VCAs). Together, they form a compassionate and responsive pastoral care team serving the hospital community.

Over the past year, the chaplaincy team supported a total of **4,872 individuals**, including:

- 3,424 patients
- 822 whanau groups
- 626 staff members

Chaplaincy care has included both **spiritual and religious support**, tailored to the individual needs of those receiving care. This has involved:

- Anointing of the sick Blessings
- Bedside Communion
- Private prayer and spiritual counsel

In total, **1,474 spiritual rituals** were offered over the course of the year.

The team responded to **149 internal referrals** from hospital staff and departments, as well as **41 external referrals** from community organisations, churches, and whanau-demonstrating the growing visibility and value of chaplaincy within and beyond the hospital setting.

Gratitude and Acknowledgements - Nelson Hospital

Ministry of Presence and Spiritual Care

The Chaplaincy Team at Nelson Hospital is privileged to offer a ministry of presence and listening to patients, whanau, and staff. Our work is grounded in the compassion and love of Christ, meeting each person where they are—emotionally, spiritually, and culturally. Spiritual and pastoral care is available to all, and is always patient-led and respectful of individual beliefs.

Volunteer and Staff Commitment

We give thanks to God for the faithful commitment of our Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistants (VCAs), Locum Chaplains, and administrative support staff. Over the past year:

- Four new VCAs were commissioned
- Two additional Locum Chaplains joined the team

This vibrant and integrated team continues to serve with humility, professionalism, and a shared dedication to bringing Christ's presence into the hospital environment.

Local Chaplaincy Committee (LCC)

We extend our sincere thanks to Rev. Paul Tregurtha, Chairperson of the Nelson Local Chaplaincy Committee, and to all committee members. The LCC met regularly throughout the year with a focus on supporting hospital chaplaincy, building community connections, and coordinating fundraising efforts. Their work continues to be a vital link between the hospital and the wider church community.

Partnership with Te Whatu Ora - Nelson Marlborough

We are grateful for the strong and collaborative relationship with Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora Nelson Marlborough (NMH). In particular, we acknowledge the support of Hilary Exton, District Chief of Allied Health, Scientific and Technical, who serves as our Chaplaincy Liaison Manager. The Chaplaincy Team is well-integrated into hospital systems and processes, including participation in new staff inductions, which helps to raise awareness of our services and increase accessibility.

Fundraising and Financial Support

We deeply appreciate the generous financial contributions received from the Anglican Diocese of Nelson, member churches, and individual donors. These gifts make a significant difference to the sustainability of hospital chaplaincy.

Our traditional hospital stall was again held during the year, with a wide variety of donated goods contributed by parishioners from local churches. We are thankful for the generosity and creativity that made this event both meaningful and successful.

Transition Support Ministry

As noted in last year's report, Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa conducted a review of the Transition **Support Ministry**. This review concluded that the ministry would need to be locally funded and independently managed in order to continue. Unfortunately, the Local Chaplaincy Committee was unable to take on this responsibility, and the ministry concluded during the year. We are grateful to those who contributed to it over time and acknowledge the care and support it provided while active.

Invitation to the Church Community

We warmly encourage local parishes and individuals to stay connected with the Chaplaincy Team. If a family member or friend is admitted to hospital and would appreciate a chaplain's visit, please contact us via the hospital switchboard so we can respond appropriately.

In the lead-up to Christmas, the hospital hosts a carol singing event-a joyful occasion supported by local churches. All are warmly invited to participate. Notices are sent out in advance to churches, and we welcome your voices and presence in this special ministry of celebration and comfort.

WAIRAU HOSPITAL

At Wairau Hospital, Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa currently funds 0.3 FTE of chaplaincy services, provided through a combination of dedicated personnel:

- Ray Coats (0.2 FTE, Locum Chaplain)
- Marion Rowe (0.1 FTE, Chaplain)

We are also grateful for the regular support of a volunteer locum, who serves on Friday mornings, as well as undertaking any urgent requests which Marion is unable to attend to. The diversity of professional, personal, and theological backgrounds within this team brings richness to the ministry. Feedback from staff and patients has affirmed the value of this variety in meeting the diverse needs of the hospital community.

Over the past year, the Wairau Chaplaincy Team has supported:

- 900 patients
- 35 whanau groups
- 42 spiritual rituals (including blessings, anointing, and private prayer)
- 79 internal referrals received from hospital staff
- 2 external referrals from churches or community groups

This integrated approach ensures that those in spiritual or emotional distress-regardless of their faith background-have access to meaningful, compassionate care when they need it most.

Gratitude and Acknowledgements - Wairau Hospital

Engagement with Patients, Whanau, and Staff

Continued progress has been made in helping the hospital community better understand and engage with the chaplaincy service. Our office, located on the main hospital corridor, serves as a visible and accessible point of contact. Simply keeping the door open during working hours has led to numerous informal interactions with staff and visitors, deepening relationships and raising awareness of the support we offer. These casual conversations have often led to meaningful pastoral opportunities, reinforcing our presence as an approachable and trusted part of the hospital environment.

Local Chaplaincy Committee

Although the Local Chaplaincy Committee (LCC) has not met formally over the past year, communication has continued occasionally via email. A number of committee members have remained active in promoting chaplaincy services within their church communities, and we remain hopeful about re-engaging this committed group in a more structured way in the future.

Their past support and ongoing advocacy are deeply appreciated, and we look forward to finding renewed ways for them to contribute meaningfully.

Partnership with Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora Nelson Marlborough

We are grateful for the continued support of Te Whatu Ora Nelson Marlborough, and particularly for the strong relationships built with hospital leadership and staff.

Marion Rowe regularly attends Mihi Whakatau sessions, where new staff are welcomed. These gatherings provide an important opportunity to introduce the chaplaincy service directly to new employees and answer their questions. It is encouraging to note a recent increase in referrals from house surgeons, which may reflect growing recognition of the chaplaincy role among clinical staff.

Special thanks go to Lisa from the People & Communications team, whose encouragement and advocacy have been instrumental in supporting the chaplaincy's visibility and integration within the wider hospital culture.

Chapel and Spiritual Resources

The chapel visitors' book has proven to be a valued resource-not only for guests to share reflections and prayers but also as a means for us to gather helpful feedback for internal reporting. Our chapel noticeboard displays are regularly updated to reflect seasonal or cultural themes; this year's Matariki display was particularly well received by both staff and visitors.

Festive Community Engagement

The annual Christmas carol service remains a highlight of our year. We are grateful for the enthusiastic support received from hospital staff and volunteers. A post-service supper for the singers adds a warm and festive conclusion to the evening. These occasions create valuable moments of joy and togetherness in the hospital setting.

Team and Collegial Support

We acknowledge with deep appreciation the collegial spirit within our chaplaincy team. Marion Rowe has expressed her personal gratitude for the ongoing encouragement, humour, and wise counsel of Lead Chaplain Rev. Stephen Gully. His availability, mentorship, and support have been invaluable throughout the year, and reflect the strong culture of care that underpins our chaplaincy ministry.

CONCLUSION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Hospital Chaplaincy across Nelson, Wairau, and Alexandra Hospitals continues to be a vital and deeply valued ministry-offering spiritual care, compassionate presence, and pastoral support to patients, whanau, and staff in times of vulnerability, crisis, and recovery.

This ministry is made possible only through the collaboration and support of many. We extend our sincere thanks to all those who contribute to the life and work of Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa: our Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistants, Locum Chaplains, hospital staff, local committee members, and those who support us in prayer and advocacy within the wider church community.

We offer **particular thanks to the Anglican Synod of Nelson** for your ongoing support and encouragement. As one of the founding churches of this ecumenical ministry, the Anglican Church's continued commitment is both foundational and inspirational. Your representation on our national board, the presence of Anglican chaplains on our teams, and the generous contributions of your congregations and parishes are all deeply appreciated.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to the shared vision of offering the presence of Christ in the hospital environment-listening, accompanying, and serving with compassion. We welcome continued partnership with the Synod as we explore new ways to expand this ministry and ensure its sustainability

for years to come.

Nga mihi nui - thank you for standing with us.

ST ANDREW'S FAMILY TRUST

Chairperson's Report to Synod 2025

What a mighty God we have! On reflection of the last year, God has given us the opportunity to help children and

their families in hardship and very difficult social circumstances; to assist financially to set up networks of support for the young and vulnerable, for youth and families in our region and to help & heal hurting hearts. What a privilege to work in this area for our Lord.

As I read in the 'Word for Today', God delights in telling us in his word who we are to him – loved, valuable, precious, talented, gifted, capable, powerful, wise and redeemed. At the heart of "revitalisation" the theme for Synod 2025, is the call to see our lives and our ministries growing in making disciples who make disciples.

Ephesians 4:12-13 says "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ".

As a Trust, we look to our new year with grace, humility, thankfulness, renewed strength, wisdom and an open

heart that **our loving Father** who guides, protects and gives strength, **will guide us as we grow within this ministry and as we make decisions and direct our financial support to those who are most vulnerable and most in need.** We pray that those seeking assistance may have improved outcomes and would feel loved, valuable and precious, through God's love and that of their families, so that in their future they have hope.

The planted seed from the beginning-

To keep the history and journey alive, we briefly recall the historical beginnings and intention of the St Andrews Family Trust. On 17th November 1885 (nearly 140 years ago), Reverend JP Kempthorne moved in the Diocesan Synod a resolution, which was warmly supported by the members of Synod and became the launching point, for the future life and work of the 'St Andrews Orphanage'; later the 'St Andrews Family Home', and now the 'St

Andrews Family Trust'. The resolution was ***"That the time is right for the establishment of a Society in connection with the Church in this Diocese for the protection of destitute or orphan children, and that a committee be appointed to consider the whole subject and report thereon."***

For the Orphanage to be incorporated, and to receive the subsidy available from the Government, it was necessary for 100 pounds to be guaranteed by not less than 100 subscribers. With gratitude, we remember the financial gift from the original subscribers; ongoing financial bequests and gifts; the continuous life and intention of the Trust, with service of many Christian Trustees & Staff since the original meeting on 12th July 1887.

The St Andrews Family Trust, having transitioned from owning a home; working with Open Home Foundation's house- parents supporting children in a practical manner; selling the property 10 years ago on September 4th, 2015, **to funding approved projects and hardship applications now, have a strong wise team of Trustees with a passion for supporting vulnerable children and their families through this important ministry in our communities.**

Trust Members- our strength and area of new growth

St Andrews Family Trust Trustees bring their own sets of skills, knowledge and give their time in a voluntary capacity, and this is valued.

Trust Deed changes approved in October 2016 state there will be no more than 7 Trustees, who shall be elected with due regard to geographical spread. A trustee shall serve on a two-year rotational basis and shall be eligible for re-election but shall not be elected for more than three consecutive terms. A retired trustee shall be eligible for re-election after a stand-down period of one year.

The majority of the Trust Board shall be Communicants of the Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

We farewelled **Helen Perris** at our AGM in May. Helen has given a lifetime of support to those around her and kindly joined the Trust on 15th October 2019 giving five years of valued service and wisdom at each meeting, followed by a 'stand-down' year last year.

We wish **Nikki Pritchard** well for her 'stand-down' year during 25/2026, and may she enjoy some campervan holidays and painting expeditions until her return! Nikki joined the St Andrews Trust on 14th May 2019 and has now given six years of service. Nikki comes from a school teaching background and was very involved with the 'Fresh Perspective' mentoring programme, under the responsibility of The Open Home Foundation at that time. It was a 'walk-beside' mentoring role for families facing significant challenges including drugs and parenting issues.

The Trust welcomed **Petrina Classen** on 28th May 2021 with her diverse teaching, youth work and counselling background. Petrina has given 4 years of service to the Trust and has significant knowledge and wisdom to share also. A relative of Petrina's served on the Trust in its earlier days.

Phillipa Adams and **Sony Denny** were welcomed on 18th August 2023 and bring extensive knowledge and a lifetime of experience in youth work and community support. Phillipa currently supports families in the Motueka Family Service Centre and her calm experience and wisdom is truly valued. Sony's background is in education and event organisation and has a passion for God, nutrition, exercise and brain health. We are truly blessed to capture Sony's passion and dedication to the Trust also.

We were very fortunate to have **Robyn White** join us in May 2024 with her lifetime of fostering youth work and Social Work support. We congratulated Robyn as she received her Social Work degree on 20th May 2025! We are so blessed with Robyn giving her time to the St Andrews Family Trust, while she was studying and working; and now working with additional responsibilities all while continuing her own Christian outreach on the West Coast.

We were privileged to have **Jen Lockwood** re-join the Trust, as she brings invaluable knowledge from her nursing background; community involvement; many years of active service on the St Andrews Family Trust when it operated as a Family Home and the transition to become a funder of services. More recently she gave great service as the interim Diocesan Social Services Coordinator and Hardship Grants Administrator. A journey back through St Andrews Trust meeting records identifies 2002 as the year Jen started with the Trust and offered community education opportunities for the benefit of families. We are thankful for Jen's long dedicated service; knowledge and continued support. Jen has refreshing ideas for youth and family ministry.

We welcomed **Laurie Gabites** at our AGM in May for a 1-year period. Laurie gave 35 years of service in the NZ Police, with the last few years of this time focussed on family violence, alcohol, related harm, community safety and child sexual abuse. His diverse experience has assisted in his roles as Chairperson of the Anglican Care Committee, a community representative on the Ministry of Social Developments Benefit Review Committee, and on the Nelson and Tasman District (Alcohol) Licensing Committee. Laurie is a Justice of the Peace; holds the QSM; is currently the Central Regional Representative sitting on the Federation Board and has held a number of roles within the Nelson Anglican Diocese

I joined the St Andrews team in 2015. With a nursing background predominantly in primary health care, I currently work in a medical centre in Richmond. Looking ahead, I am excited and thankful that we have an amazing team with a variety of backgrounds and strengths in different areas. All Trustees bring their individual knowledge, experience and wisdom as decisions are collectively made for the best use of the funds in the St Andrews Trust.

Diocesan Support:

The St Andrews Family Trust is very well supported by Nelson Diocesan staff.

Deborah Oliver, Governance Support Manager brings over 15 years of knowledge and experience as she very ably organises, coordinates, communicates and documents much detail for our Trust, while managing other aspects of her role. For her gentle kind and knowledgeable support, we are very grateful.

Chris Ward resigned in 2024, and we are grateful to have **Graeme Mitchell** as Diocesan Manager. With Graeme's skillset, energy and background, he is readily available to offer support and guidance when required in our ministry.

Ed Duggan as Finance Manager, manages finances, investments, property and insurance for the Nelson Diocese and supports our Trust finances.

Jason Shaw in a Social Services role, is valued and appreciated for his work to support the Trust. In the time of his role, following a researched project, Jason has identified 'at risk communities' and invited a wide range requests for support.

Finance:

Permanent funds have come from donations, bequeaths from faithful servants of Christ, and from the sale of the St Andrews home at Richmond. The St Andrews Family Home in Cautley Street, Richmond sold for \$490,000 on 14th September 2015.

Our income from investments is approximately \$43,000 per annum, which is directed towards funding 'project' work at an early intervention level (approximately 75%), and 25% of budgeted funds helping those in financial hardship.

The St Andrews Trust welcomes applications from parishes and social service agencies to deliver programmes and services which benefit children, youth, and their families.

Project work: In the past our project work has supported pilot programmes to assist social problems such as neglect; children re-located to other family members; sole care parenting; family court issues; behaviour; trauma; family violence; child social skills; parenting skills; parents in prison; addiction and housing- rental shortages.

Our current projects aim to support youth and young children in most vulnerable areas, of West Coast, Nelson and Marlborough, keeping with the Trust Deed. Reports from current project funding show invaluable youth programmes offered on the West Coast and the Nelson region, with growing numbers attending and life lessons and experiences offered to assist, support, nurture and develop.

We have offered financial support to a new programme this year reaching out to young families in the Victory area, focusing on newborn infants and families.

Each year applications are invited, in seeking funding from the Trust for projects that meet Trust Deed objectives. This is an invitation to plant new seeds in good soil; spread the love of Christ and set up supportive and educational programmes.

Project 'Accountability Reports' assist the Trust review financial investment in project spending. These are due at the end of the year the grant is used, while fresh in beneficiaries' minds to offer feedback. This insight is invaluable as we review our grant given, and the value to the community.

Hardship grants have supported a variety of financial needs for children including food vouchers, beds, cots, mattresses, safety gates, warm winter clothing, shoes, sensory aids, lessons for children with disabilities, school uniforms, firewood for warmth, and sports fees.

Approval of hardship applications is requested via email from Jason as Social Service Coordinator and sent to all Trustees for discussion and approval by two members. There are pre- approved Trust guidelines on eligibility and a \$500pa maximum is available for individuals/ families requesting hardship support.

The Trust is mindful of spending within our budget. Each year we look at the balance of 'project' and 'hardship' funding and adjust this as appropriate. We are aware of an increased social and financial burden on families and individuals. We are seeing hardship, childhood poverty and families with great social problems and need remain in our communities. We welcome applications for support.

The Trust has been cautious in making decisions on its spending, and at the same time wanting to put available money to use in the community now. We are mindful of our Capital funds and want to maximise the investment and income relationship for the future and longevity of Trust support.

Thanks:

I wish to pass on my sincere thanks to the St Andrews Family Trust team. Robyn, Petrina, Sony, Phillipa, Jen and Laurie, as Trustees thank you for seeing the importance of this Ministry and giving your time and energy to help the children and families in need.

Jason, thank you for your patience and stamina in screening and communicating with many applicants and filtering these when required. We value the huge role this is for you, and the 'extra' you give to it to be a blessing to others. Thank you for your communication with Trustees and arranging payments enabling those in need to access our support. You certainly are a 'growing green shoot' in our garden of growth and help us to identify urgent needs in our communities to direct our energy.

Thank you, Deborah, Jason, Ed and Graeme for your constant professional and dedicated support. Deborah we all truly value the attention to detail and tremendous support you give to our team and the time this role takes in preparation and tasks involved with each meeting. Graeme, for your support and guidance, and Ed for your finance knowledge, support and genuine care to the Trust. Thank you to the Diocesan Office team and general support given also.

It has been a pleasure to be part of this ministry and offer thanks for the opportunity to serve. We share a common objective, and with God's guidance may we continue God's work to care for vulnerable children in our community. We pray that our hearts and minds would be open to God's will as we serve in this way and help identify where we can best shine God's love by assisting to finance and support community initiatives and projects and assist alleviate hardship- stress with economic and social challenges.

In summary and with revitalisation and growth of disciples in mind, within this ministry we have a strong team of disciples honouring our Lord as Trustees of this fund. Through systems of referral, we try to identify and support grounded "projects" aimed at 'prevention and education' in our communities, as 'a fence at the top of the cliff rather than an ambulance at the bottom'. We also provide urgent and emergency funding to those in desperate need by a referral system.

With significant social issues; economic and income challenges for families; significant child poverty and current winter season, we try to help those with the greatest need from Trust funds when the request is consistent with the Trust Deed, caring for children and young people.

May our hearts always be open to hearing the cry for help, and providing help in God's name

"Whoever welcomes a little child in My Name welcomes me" Matthew 18:5

The words on the family room wall at St Andrews Home, Cautley Street shall always be remembered:

'For I know the plans I have for you' declares the Lord,

'Plans to prosper you and not to harm you,

Plans to give you hope and a future' Jeremiah 29:11

Maree Chaney

Chair 2025

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES

BISHOP'S MINISTRY TEAM

A. BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN - REV CANON SIMON MARTIN (JULY 2025)

Bishop's Ministry Team & Ministry Education

The Bishop's Ministry Team consists of:

- Joshua (Spanky) Moore: Ministry Coordinator - Pioneers
- Jason Shaw: Ministry Coordinator - Social Services
- Brad Wood: Ministry Coordinator - Youth and Young Adults
- Amanda Poil: Ministry Coordinator - Children and Families
- Watiri Maina: Women in Ministry Leadership Developer
- Renata van der Wal: Administrator
- Simon Martin: Parish Leadership support and Ministry Education Coordination
- Bishop Steve Maina: Diocese Vision

Throughout 2024 – 2025 the team have benefitted greatly from team coaching provided by Ken Shelley.

While BMT members have their separate roles and responsibilities, it has become clear that we work best together when contributing to support projects for parish revitalisation.

Spanky has led the team to do Wayfinding Workshops. They will have completed 7 parish workshops by the end of the year.

Brad Wood has led the project for supporting parishes evangelistic endeavours through Haere Mai.

The team were more involved with supporting Convergence Camp this year.

A state of emergency due to flooding led to Leadership being hastily cancelled and replaced with a local event in Nelson at St Barnabas. The team worked hard under trying circumstances for a great outcome, resulting in excellent teaching and deep encouragement for the lay and ordained leaders who were able to attend.

Healthy Shoots:

BMT were very pleased to welcome Amanda Poil to the team in the role of Ministry Coordinator - Children and Families. We also welcomed Rev Watiri Maina to the team as support for Women in Ministry.

We want to acknowledge Jan Northfield who is retiring from the Rest Home Chaplaincy Role. As of this report date, the role of Ministry Coordinator - Older Persons Services has been filled by Liesel de Kriek who will start in September 2025.

Pruning:

Leadership Hui Monthly gathering of clergy with +Steve was hosted this year by Spanky Moore. It was decided to prune the variety of topics to focus solely on leading culture change in parishes for Evangelism with Julia-Anne Laird as our guest every month.

+Steve has led a group of people identified as gifted or potential evangelists in growing and learning together with the input of Julie-Anne Laird.

Changes made:

Renata van der Wal continues to work as BMT Administrator after dropping other hours in the office team to begin doing some work with CTCNZ.

An internal review of the team was begun, and Joshua Moore has taken on the leading of the BMT and is sharing in the role of Ministry Education Coordination with Simon Martin. The other outcomes of this review are still in progress.

During 2024 – 2025 the Discernment Pathway for Ordination was reviewed with feedback sought from various sources. The outcome is still a work in progress with a commitment to securing a stronger working relationship with Bishopdale College.

Planting new seeds:

Began a new initiative: Haere Mai 2025 was a diocesan-wide evangelism initiative designed to resource and encourage local churches to engage their communities with hospitality, creativity, and the good news of Jesus.

Intending to continue evangelistic event promotion and support in parishes for Christmas and Easter annually.

New opportunities:

Significant changes pending in the distribution of St John's College Trust Board funding.

This opens opportunities for future leadership training pathways and closer working relationship between the Diocese and Bishopdale College. Standing Committee expect to have an application Pathway for Scholarship developed by the relevant parties.

2024 Funding & Budget:

The Diocese received \$242,016 from St John's College Trust Board for Christian Education and Training for 2025. The following allocation of funds fulfilled the requirements of the Trust.

<u>Ministry Ed Roles</u>	<u>2025</u>
Ministry Ed Coordinator	0.6 FTE
Administrator	0.4 FTE

Projects 2025

Revitalise Nelson	\$ 32,000	Haere Mai
		Evangelism Training
	\$ 25,000	Leadership Conference
Parish Training	\$ 8,000	Convergence Camp
	\$ 13,000	Wayfinder Workshops
Study Scholarships	\$ 10,000	Scholarships @ \$750 pp
Episcopal Education	\$ 51,872	Support for the Bishop in each Diocese

MINISTRY COORDINATOR – CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Amanda Poil

Our diocese is committed to seeing healthy vibrant churches who raise disciples and make a positive impact in our communities and to do this, children and families ministry is essential. Through many conversations with CFM workers I have noticed our five diocese values – Family, Adventure, Innovation, Truth, & Hospitality (F.A.I.T.H) shining through particularly in the area of Children and Families ministry. I know that each parish is committed to investing in CFM and seeing young people come to faith; not only are they the ‘leaders of tomorrow’ they are the disciples of today. Research shows three key areas for lasting faith formation: peer programs (ie Sunday School), intergenerational connections and supporting faith at home. CFM workers around the diocese are working faithfully and I’ve been so encouraged to see how each church is focusing in on discipleship through programs, intergenerational connections and supporting faith in the home.

Connection

Connecting with CFM workers through coffee chats, zoom calls and termly newsletters have been ways to encourage one another, hear how ministry is going and offer resources. We are part of a bigger family and need the support of each other. I see greater opportunities for working together and collaboration among CFM workers and parishes.

Events & Intermediate Hangs

Convergence Camp was a wonderful time with creche, primary and intermediate aged programmes running with a total of 56 children registered. Family camp is an important gathering at the beginning of the year and many within the region travel far to make this event.

Monthly ‘Intermediate Hangs’ have been taking place on the first Sunday afternoon of the month. Young people aged 10-14 can come and hang out and connect with each other and invite unchurched friends too. Many of the young people look forward to these hang out times, however, we have had a lack of volunteers and leaders to help build relationships and link young people into parish youth groups. There has been anywhere between 10-25 young people attending.

Although we were not at Lake Rotoiti this year for Leadership Camp it was just as meaningful. St. Barnabas, Stoke graciously hosted and allowed us to use their space to run a creche, primary and intermediates/youth programme. We had around 50 young people from creche to teens attend.

Training & Equipping

This year I attended Scripture Union training in Christchurch. There is value in giving opportunities to connect face to face and we are currently looking at offering training in various regions next year.

Signs of healthy shoots?

Many of our churches have filled vacant roles for CFM workers and/or have a high priority of investing in children and families. New children have come to many of our churches which is encouraging. Parishes have tried innovative ways to connect with their neighbourhoods and invite families through play groups, messy church, afterschool clubs, intergenerational services, whanau nights, holiday programs or gatherings around food. Afternoon or evening gatherings around food seem to work well for families who may find attending Sunday morning difficult.

What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

A great challenge is the need for more volunteers and leaders to disciple young people. It would be helpful to find ways to develop youth, young adults and interns into the children's/youth ministry spaces. Programmes that a church invests into need to have a clear vision and hold to the mission of the church and diocese. Programmes that have a strong relational *and* discipleship focus will make disciples and thus grow the church. We need to prioritise our time, energies and resources into discipleship and do it well, our programmes need to create clear pathways from contact to connection, belonging, and beyond to embracing the Gospel and living it out. Intergenerational relationships are important to foster so young people feel connected beyond just their peer group which will mean moving beyond only siloed models. Everyone in the church plays a role in discipling young people and in fostering intergenerational discipleship.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

There are opportunities to work collaboratively among CFM workers, churches, and across denominations. Moving ahead we will prioritise prayer and gather to pray for CFM workers, the families in our diocese and the children in our neighbourhoods. Most churches have expressed a desire to want to be more connected to their local community and we know there are great opportunities for missional connections in each community. With a focus on discipleship and living on mission we will continue to raise up disciples who live out the Gospel passionately and faithfully wherever they are.

COMMUNICATIONS AND DIGITAL CONTENT ADVISOR

Petra Oomen

This past year came with enormous changes for me as I spent half of it pregnant and the other half as a new mum. A huge thank you goes to Brad Wood for taking care of Kōrero and general communications in my absence, and to Renata van der Wal for getting Pānui out fortnightly and keeping an eye on my inbox. They did a fantastic job, letting me focus entirely on my whānau for six months.

Healthy shoots

Four more parishes have gone through the branding and website process: All Saints, Buller, Cobden-Runanga and Golden Bay. Stoke is very nearly finished, and Reefton, Tāhunanui and Motueka are to come.



A particular highlight has been reintroducing The Witness magazine in a simpler, more cost-effective format, using Kōrero articles instead of writing and sourcing new ones specifically for the magazine.



Pruning

One fascinating challenge that has appeared over these past couple of years is the emergence of generative AI. Using it in our communications comes with a host of pros and cons. It can be a massive time saver, enabling busy people to share stories they wouldn't otherwise have capacity to write, but it also runs the risk of making our messages impersonal and alienating our audience. I want our communications to build community and connection, which I think could be jeopardised by overreliance on generative AI. I am personally trying to find the balance of using it wisely, trying to achieve timeliness but also authenticity. I also want to keep growing and improving my communication skills, which only happens through doing the work myself.

New seeds in good soil

While Brad oversaw Kōrero, he established a routine of assigning articles to members of the Bishop's Ministry Team. I'm excited to continue collaborating this way, sharing more on-the-ground stories.

Looking ahead

Here's what I hope to focus on for the next 12 months:

- Calibrate as I re-enter the workforce as a new mum, balancing whānau with work and ministry
- Continue collecting, editing and writing Kōrero articles that share how God has been moving in each part of the diocese
- Finish and publish the ongoing parish branding and website projects
- Develop some support around design (particularly with Canva) to help parishes best utilise their existing branding and create good content themselves
- Evaluate best practices in this age of generative AI and support BMT to use it efficiently with integrity

Quick Stats: From 31 July 2024 to 31 July 2025

Our website (www.nelsonanglican.nz) has had 29,000 visitors since 31 July 2024. This is a 47% increase from last year (19,000 visitors).

Visits come primarily from organic searches (like Google), followed by email and social media.

Most viewed Kōrero articles*:

1. *Victory Church bids fond farewell to vicar Watiri Maina*, Petra Oomen
2. *Welcoming Mark and Kirsty*, Petra Oomen
3. *'God takes covenants seriously': Reflections from Hīkoi mō te Tiriti*, Jason Shaw, Mike Jessop & Petra Oomen
4. *Introducing Graeme Mitchell, new diocesan manager*, Petra Oomen
5. *Meet the Nzimbis: A warm welcome to Victory Church*, Brad Wood
6. *A new chapter unfolds at Atawhai-Hira Parish*, Simon Martin
7. *How to make a church service more intergenerational*, Diana Langdon
8. *A new chapter for Golden Bay: Rev Mark Johnson inducted as vicar*, Spanky Moore
9. *All Saints takes church outside church*, Petra Oomen
10. *Meet your new children and families ministry coordinator*, Amanda Poil

Kōrero:

- 463 email subscribers
- 50 new subscribers
- 121 new articles published

Social media:

- 730 Facebook followers
- 20,700 Facebook accounts reached
- 86 Instagram followers

Parish website** visits:

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| ▪ All Saints: 1,770 | ▪ Kaikōura: 714 |
| ▪ Awatere: 801 | ▪ Picton: 681 |
| ▪ Brightwater: 1,150 | ▪ Richmond: 2,645 |
| ▪ Buller: 934 | ▪ Victory: 1,482 |
| ▪ Cobden-Runanga: 228 | ▪ Wakefield: 1,249 |
| ▪ Golden Bay: 1,367 | |

*Published 31/7/24 - 31/7/25

**Websites created and supported by the diocese

MINISTRY COORDINATOR - PIONEERING MINISTRY

Rev Joshua Moore

Kia ora! Over the past year, my role has continued to evolve. Alongside my work in pioneering ministry, I've taken on new responsibilities including:

- Supporting local interns at Bishopdale College
- Co-ordinating aspects of the Bishop's Ministry Team
- Developing and delivering Wayfinder Vision Days

Healthy Shoots

Kākano: Local Mission Incubator: It's been fantastic to see the Kākano programme continue into its third year in its current form. Kākano identifies lay leaders with a passion for local mission and invites them into a nine-month journey of weekly discipleship, supported by three retreats themed around *discipleship*, *mission*, and *personal calling*. So far, around 60 participants—many active in parish life—have taken part. The fruit has been hugely encouraging, with visible growth in leadership, faith, and confidence in missional engagement.

Wayfinder Vision Days: A significant part of my work this year has been the development and delivery of Wayfinder Vision Days. These are designed to help parishes discern their God-given vision and identify practical, achievable goals aligned with that vision. So far, we've had the joy of working with Buller, Greymouth, Hira, Wairau, Kaikōura, and Motueka, with upcoming days planned in Victory and All Saints, among others. This process not only provides clarity for wise decision-making but also enables us to better deploy the Bishop's Mission Team in support of local priorities.

Preachers on Tour: We've recently launched a new initiative: a team of emerging leaders available to assist with preaching when vicars are away or rosters have gaps. This provides a valuable opportunity for young leaders to develop their communication and preaching skills, while also serving the wider church and offering clergy space for rest and renewal.

Pruning

Leadership Pathways Review: We are in an active review of our leadership formation pathways—looking closely at the cohorts, programmes, and models we've used over the past 4–5 years with young leaders. The question we're asking is: *What needs to be pruned or reshaped for the season ahead?* We sense a need to raise up leaders who are **missional, radical, bold, and sacrificial** in their posture toward ministry. Also, we need leaders who are passionate about making disciples who make disciples. Our leadership models must adapt to reflect the kind of church our Diocese needs now—and in the future.

Good Soil

Here are four key areas of opportunity that I see growing within our midst:

A societal shift toward spiritual openness:

There's a noticeable increase in openness to faith and spirituality in wider society. How can we better form leaders and communities who are ready to receive, disciple, and journey with seekers and new believers?

The “passionate few”:

We're seeing a rise in lay leaders whom God seems to be calling to mission among *the least, the last, the left out, and the lost*. How do we encourage, equip, and support them in this vocation?

Lay-led communities flourishing:

In several areas, lay-led congregations—often formed out of necessity—are not just surviving without vicar-led ministry, but thriving. How can we support these leaders to foster **healthy, impactful, locally rooted churches**?

Desire for new expressions of church:

There is growing hunger for the planting of new churches and missional communities, particularly in underserved areas. How might we release and support leaders who carry this calling?

MINISTRY COORDINATOR -REST HOME CHAPLAINCY

Jan Northfield

Annual Summary & Reflections for 2024/2025

Introduction

This year in our rest home chaplaincy ministry has been a season of meaningful growth, heartfelt celebration, and significant transition. Our commitment to serving elders in our community continues to bear fruit through the dedication of our voluntary chaplains, peer support, and strong connections with eldercare professionals.

Year in Review

Seminar and Training Highlights

Last July marked a turning point for our ministry, with a highly successful seminar attended by 32 participants. The energy and openness of those present were palpable, and we were blessed when eight women stepped forward in response to the call to train as voluntary rest home chaplains. Their commitment has inspired both gratitude and hope for the sustainability of our work.

Celebrations and Milestones

In November, we gathered for a joyful graduation ceremony and end-of-year celebration, congratulating two new chaplains who completed their training in 2024. This was not only a time to honour their achievement but also to reflect on the impact voluntary chaplaincy is making in our rest homes. In December, we celebrated the season together at a festive Christmas lunch, which brought together 19 attendees—including our voluntary chaplains and eldercare workers who regularly participate in our monthly peer support meetings. These moments of fellowship have nurtured a spirit of unity and mutual encouragement within our group.

Ongoing Peer Support and Training

Our monthly peer support gatherings remain the pulse of our ministry, providing both learning and care for one another. This year, our discussions have ranged widely, covering relevant and sometimes challenging topics such as:

- Transactional Analysis
- Vulnerability
- Faith and Doubt
- Cultural Awareness
- The Wonder of God's Creation
- Training on Conducting Rest Home Services and Administering Communion
- How to Live Your Best Life into Old Age

Guest speakers have greatly enriched our understanding and inspired our practice. Notably, Alice Kenua offered valuable insights into cultural awareness, deepening our sensitivity to the diverse backgrounds of those we serve. Bee, the Diversional Therapist from Coastalview, provided a practical walk-through of the DT's role and reinforced the chaplain's importance in the holistic life of the rest home.

Growth and Transition

Expansion of the Team

This year, eight new voluntary chaplains have completed their training and found placements in rest homes, marking a significant expansion of our reach. Our team now numbers 17 voluntary chaplains, a testament to the Spirit's movement and the faithfulness of those called to this ministry. Our monthly meetings have also grown, with 22 people now gathering regularly for support and shared learning.

Leadership Transition

In February, I submitted notice of my intention to retire as coordinator. However, I postponed my departure to ensure a smooth transition and sufficient time to find my successor. It is with great pleasure that I introduce Liesel de Kriek, who joins us as our new coordinator. Liesel's role will include leading and coordinating the Voluntary Chaplaincy team and the Eldercare team. Liesel officially assumes the role at the end of September, at which point I will step back into serving as a volunteer chaplain. I am confident Liesel's passion and gifts will be a tremendous blessing to our ministry.

Reflections: Signs of Health, Areas for Pruning, and New Seeds

Signs of Healthy Shoots:

The increased participation in both our training seminars and monthly meetings is a clear sign of vitality. The willingness of new volunteers to step forward and the continued engagement of eldercare professionals signal a healthy, growing network. Our chaplains report stronger relationships with staff and residents, and the range of topics explored in our meetings shows an openness to growth, learning, and spiritual depth. The sense of mutual encouragement and the willingness to address both the joys and struggles of chaplaincy have strengthened our community.

What Needs Pruning

As with any flourishing ministry, there are also areas that require honest assessment and potential change. Some challenges remain in balancing the needs of our chaplains with the demands of the rest homes. Not every initiative has borne fruit; for example, attendance at some training sessions was lower than anticipated, and not all peer topics resonated equally with the group. We are discerning whether to streamline our meeting agendas or adjust our approach to training, ensuring that we focus on what is most fruitful and let go of what may no longer serve the group's needs.

Invitation to Plant New Seeds in Good Soil

There are exciting new opportunities on the horizon. We sense a call to deepen our partnerships with eldercare facilities, explore intergenerational ministry possibilities, and broaden our training to include more aspects of spiritual care. We are also considering more outreach to local churches, to invite fresh faces into chaplaincy and strengthen community bonds. The invitation is to plant these new seeds with faith and care, trusting that God will bring the growth.

Conclusion

In closing, this season has been marked by new beginnings, faithful service, and a spirit of hope. As I prepare to transition from coordinator to volunteer, I look back with gratitude and forward with anticipation. Our ministry is blessed with dedicated people, open hearts, and new possibilities. May God continue to guide and sustain us as we nurture what has been planted, lovingly prune where necessary, and sow new seeds for the future.

MINISTRY COORDINATOR -SOCIAL SERVICES

Jason Shaw

2024–2025 Social Service Role Reflection

1. What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed?

It has been an honour to serve and advocate for the perceived last, lost, and least in our diocese. This year has seen encouraging growth in the social service space. Many secular organisations across the diocese are actively seeking to collaborate with us, recognising the unique contribution we bring — particularly through the spiritual dimension of Te Whare Tapa Whā. While many services struggle to support clients spiritually, this is an area where we excel, and it's increasingly valued.

There's also been a noticeable shift in how churches relate to one another. Collaboration is growing as congregations begin to recognise and celebrate each other's strengths. This spirit of unity is a healthy sign of the Body of Christ working together more intentionally for the good of our communities.

2. What needs pruning?

While there is much to celebrate, there are areas that require honest reflection and pruning. Some initiatives may no longer be bearing fruit and need to be reconsidered or reshaped. There is a need to ensure that our energy is not spread too thin, and that we remain focused on what truly serves our people and honours our calling. Pruning may also involve letting go of siloed approaches and continuing to challenge any resistance to collaboration, both within the Church and with external partners.

3. What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil?

There is a clear invitation to deepen our partnerships — both with secular organisations and between churches. The openness we're experiencing is fertile ground for new initiatives that integrate spiritual care with practical support. There's also an opportunity to equip parishes to respond to future challenges, such as weather events, that have impacted much of our diocese over the years.

This season invites us to be bold in planting seeds of hope, resilience, and unity — trusting that God is already at work in the soil. As Jeremiah 29:7 reminds us, "Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you... for in its welfare you will find your welfare." This is a call to invest deeply in the wellbeing of our communities, knowing that our shared flourishing is part of God's vision for us.

MINISTRY COORDINATOR -YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

Rev Brad Wood

Youth Work in the Nelson Diocese: A Year in Review

Kia ora whānau,

It's been another fantastic year with our rangatahi throughout the Nelson Diocese, and it continues to be a real joy to serve as the Youth Coordinator. As with any year, we've experienced some wonderful successes alongside a few challenges. I'd like to offer a brief snapshot of what's been happening and where my focus has been.

Our big highlights this year have definitely been the large gatherings. Spring Camp continues to go from strength to strength. Last year, for the first time, we had two local keynote speakers: Spanky Moore and Marzi van der Mark. It was awesome having people from within our own community connect and share with the rangatahi at Spring Camp. A real highlight for me was having Marzi as a keynote speaker, she's truly grown in her role at Victory Youth, and I'm so thankful for her stepping up to the challenge and doing such a fantastic job.

Convergence Camp was another special opportunity for our young people to connect as a church whānau in Kaiteriteri at Bethany Park. It was truly great seeing those relationships continue to grow. Similarly, Leadership Camp, despite not going quite as planned due to weather changes and needing to shift from Lake Rotoiti to Stoke, ended up with the largest number of young people ever at 22 participants. It was amazing to see them share their faith, grow, and connect together in such a special way.

Locally, I continue to be blown away by the passion and heart of our youth ministries. On the West Coast, with Tim and Nicki in Greymouth and Matt Watts in Westport, they're just incredible. In Nelson, we've got Marzi at Victory, Georgia Armstrong in Stoke, and Sam Ooman at All Saints, all showing incredible dedication. Jonathan in Marlborough also continues to do great work at St Christopher's discipling his young people and sharing his passion for God's Word. I'm truly thankful to connect with these amazing youth workers and grateful for all their mahi. There are also other volunteer leaders throughout the Nelson Diocese supporting young people during Sunday services and in home groups throughout the week. These faithful followers of Jesus are such a vital part of the formation of rangatahi in our diocese.

Of course, there have been challenges. The main one this year has been navigating this new season of youth ministry. We had a truly incredible cohort come through over the last five or six years, young people with great faith and leadership qualities. Many of them have now headed off to university or into the workforce, leaving us with younger groups and lots of intermediates coming through. The challenge now is rebuilding that culture and leadership base, and I know many of our youth workers are feeling that shift.

Personally, another challenge was balancing time commitments and support. I haven't been able to do it quite as well as I'd have liked, mostly because I was covering for Petra Ooman in the diocesan communications space while she was on maternity leave. Now that she's back, I'm really thankful to be able to refocus and spend more time supporting our youth workers and rangatahi.

Looking forward, I'm really excited for the upcoming Spring Camp in October, which promises to be another fantastic gathering. I'm also thrilled about the second ministry exchange to Fiji with NZCMS. I didn't get to go last time, but this time I will, and I'm really looking forward to it. We've made sure it's accessible for young people from all over the diocese, and we've got a great group from different regions who'll be joining us. I'm excited to lead that group in December when we head to Fiji.

All up, it's been a great year. It's truly a pleasure to work with the rangatahi in this diocese, and I'm so excited about what God is doing in their hearts and lives.

Ngā mihi,

Brad.

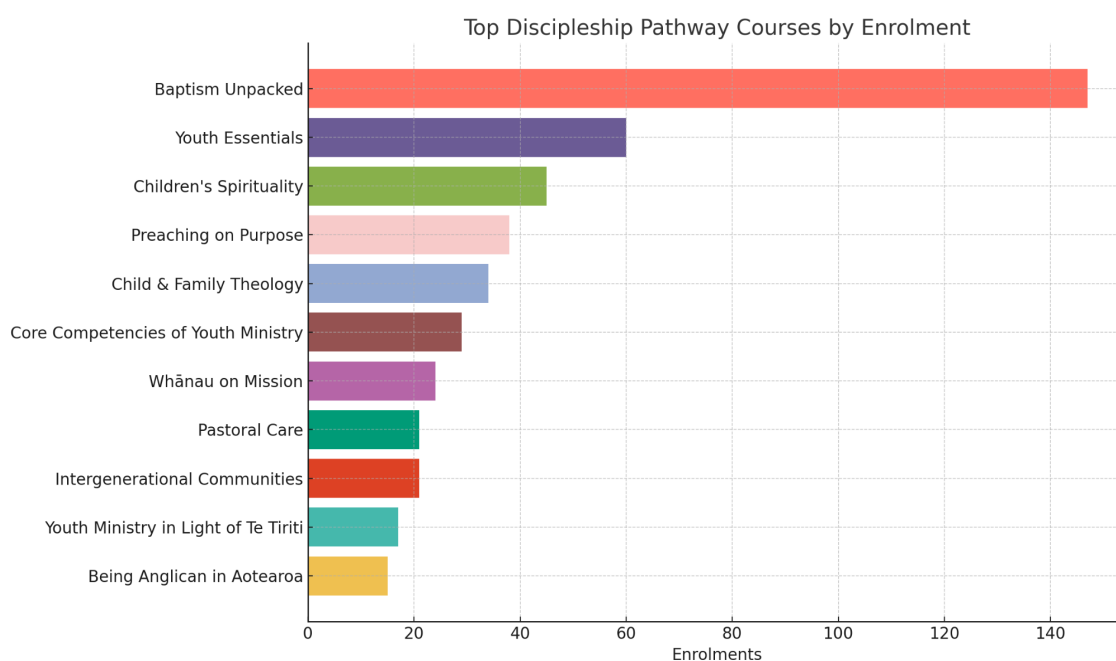
DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY



Kia ora e te whānau,

Over the past year, we've welcomed 393 new students, with a total of 531 course enrolments. That means every day we're gaining more than one new student, which is amazing. The total number of Discipleship Pathway students, as at 13 August 2025 is 1,069, with 1,794 total course enrolments.

The Baptism course has been a standout hit, used by youth workers and ministers from a range of denominations. It's been heartening to hear how it's become a go-to resource in churches and home groups. We've seen mums' groups using our Children and Families courses, youth leaders engaging with Youth Essentials and Pastoral Care, and new preachers learning how to write sermons with Preaching on Purpose. It's great to see that our courses still have ongoing value and impact.



Even with no new content added since the Baptism Unpacked in August 2024, we've kept the platform intentionally lean. The only ongoing cost is minimal and covered by the Ministry Education budget. We're considering updates in the future, especially as content ages and as new needs arise, like more bi-cultural ministry or updated Anglican context courses. Whether we create new content largely is determined by what external funding we receive, which is increasingly difficult to find. In short, Discipleship Pathway is still a well-used and valued resource across denominations and regions in Aotearoa. We're grateful for the continued support and look forward to seeing where the next year takes us.

Ngā mihi,
Brad.

BISHOPDALE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Bishopdale
Theological College

Report of the Dean to Nelson Diocese Synod 2025

The Bishopdale Board and staff continue to work to fulfil the vision for our College. The last year has involved significant new developments, consolidation of recent developments and new challenges.

The College continues to exist in a space of tension between doing the work we are called to – striving to serve God’s Church in mission – and threats to our sustainability, especially financially.

A brief survey of current College life:

- (a) Our revised MoU with Laidlaw has continues to foster opportunities to serve Anglican students in settings outside Nelson Diocese. This is key to a shared vision between Bishopdale and Laidlaw to serve ecumenically in Nelson and serve the Anglican world beyond the Diocese.
- (b) A record intake in 2024 the College has a much been surpassed by higher again enrolments in 2025, with a few additional students also joining at the beginning of semester two.
- (c) Wellington Diocese has increased its cohort of Interns, spread across the lower North Island. Other new students are in Nelson Diocese, and Taradale, with continuing studens also in Tauranga and Christchurch.
- (d) The cohort of CCAANZ students continues to grow, with excellent students moving to Nelson and also joining local parishes.
- (e) Bishopdale continues to place a high priority on relationships and being a community of growth and Christian formation. Adapting to the increased student enrolments at a distance will lead us to further develop our delivery of courses, in order to strengthen the relation aspects and the formation of cohorts.
- (f) The College continues to deliver teaching toward Laidlaw College diplomas and degrees, and a Bishopdale level 6 diploma. The partnership with Laidlaw remains extremely valuable to us. The new situation and large number of students in diverse settings has created organisational issues in our partnership and we are very grateful for the patience and generosity of Laidlaw staff as we have worked this through.
- (g) Student results continue to be very good. Both in grades and students completing programmes, and also in terms of students’ growth and development.
- (h) The continued development of our mission-oriented focus and cross-cultural skills is designed toward the development of leaders who will be more effective in Aotearoa-NZ as well as overseas. This emphasis is also being outworked to focus on delivering training for leaders in pioneering ministries.

- (i) Financially, the College continues to rely heavily on donations, grants from various trusts, including the St John's College Trust Board (SJCTB) and some retained funds.
- (j) Late in 2024 we received surprise news that all beneficiaries of the SJCTB would have their funding cut. This negatively impacted our financial expectations for 2025 and put our budget into deficit. We have been working to overcome this difficulty and continue to look for potential sources of income to provide sustainability for the future.
- (k) Further to the above, our 2025 SJCTB funding is 3% below 2024. We have been advised – with others – that funding for 2026 will be 10% below the 2024 baseline. Clearly this puts significant pressure on us to find other sources of funding.

Student numbers

- 17 full-time students
- 12 half-time students
- 12 part-time students
- 12 non-formal students

These students are distributed as follows:

Nelson non-Anglican: one full-time student, several part-time students

Nelson Diocese:

1. 10 full-time students (including 5 CCA)
2. 3 half-time students
3. 7 part-time students
4. 12 non-formal

Christchurch, Wellington and Waiapu:

5. 7 full-time students
6. 6 half-time student
7. 5 part-time students

Overall, the College continues to occupy a place of tension: on one side we have successful operation and good outcomes for students and stakeholders – which we continue to strive to develop and improve; on the other side we have financial difficulty and challenge. This vulnerability calls us all – staff, students, leadership and supporters – into faithfulness in trusting the Lord and seeking our life and health in God alone.



Andrew Burgess
Dean of the College, August 2025

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VISION: Information for transformation**Healthy Shoots****Promotion of Spiritual Health**

The goal of the Bishop Sutton Library Service is to enhance learning and to provide the staff and students of the Bishopdale College with resources and information to deepen their relationship with God and equip them for serving God and promoting His kingdom and mission in the world. The collection also serves the clergy, laity, and wider community.

Growth in the Collection

In 2024, the collection grew by 290 items. The new book purchases were comprised of 225 course books and 65 books for the Diocese (there was some overlap in the areas of Christian spirituality and formation). New material was purchased for the subjects of Reading the Bible, Salvation History and Beyond, Old Testament, Psalms, Gospel of John, Story of Christianity, Christian Spirituality and Faithful Living.

From January to mid-2025, a further 202 books were added to the collection. Of the new purchases 168 items were for Bishopdale College courses and 34 books were for the Diocese. The new material was purchased mainly in the fields of Christian Confidence, Biblical Mission in Context and The Pentateuch.

Healthy Library Book Circulation

Library book issues were healthy in 2024. There were:

1351 (System Issues) + 76 (Manual Issues) + 1426 (Renewals) = **Total 2853**

Of the 1351 System Issues, **524** books were issued to Bishopdale College students, and **827** books were issued to the wider public. During this period seven Home Groups used library material and gave positive feedback. From March 2024, the librarian kept statistics of interactions with members of the public over book material. She recorded 583 interactions between March and December 2024.

These figures show that the Diocese and community are benefitting from the library.

From February to June 2025, a total of 1393 books were issued:

753 (System Issues) + 34 (Manual Issues) + 606 (Renewals) = **Total 1393**

These mid-year issue statistics are healthy, and the librarian aims to further boost circulation by providing book displays at Diocesan events and the Nelson Spiritual Growth Group meetings.

Growth in Library Membership

Library membership grew and there was an 88.2% increase in membership statistics from 2023 to 2024.

Pruning

A great challenge facing the library is adequate space to house a growing book collection. The Stack Room Collection (pre-1975 books) was seldom used. At the end of 2024, this collection was carefully considered, and 2479 items were removed from the catalogue. Staff and students were invited to take unrequired material, and material was given to Christian Value Books in Christchurch. This pruning of the collection will create space for more current material.

Planting New Seeds

The librarian encouraged library use by giving new students a step-by-step information package on using the library catalogue and accessing digital resources. One-on-one mentoring on doing research was also offered to students. Further, the librarian assisted distance students by alerting them to e-books and journal articles, scanning library material, and posting books.

To promote the library, the librarian took books to community events. A library display was taken to monthly meditation mornings held by the Nelson Spiritual Growth Group (NSGG). The librarian received positive comments on the selection of books provided. For example, one reader wrote “Thank you so much for all the thought and effort you put in to bring us such delights from the Bishopdale Library. You have richly blessed me in the words I read and delight in.” Members of this group recommend library books to each other, and books are read multiple times.

The librarian took library resources to Diocesan events. At a library display at the Leadership Camp at St Arnaud 21 books were issued and 15 books were issued at Synod in Greymouth. In October 2024, the librarian attended a wonderful Silent Pause Retreat at Bridge Valley. She took a book tub to this event and 21 books were issued. People enjoyed dipping into the tub, sharing quotes from books with the group and reading during this retreat. The librarian, also, sent a book tub to the Clergy Retreat at St Arnaud in June 2025 and this was well received.

To promote new books, the librarian produced new books lists for Winter and Spring 2024 and Winter 2025. These book lists were distributed at Synod in 2024 and the Leadership Camp in 2024 and 2025. They were also posted on the Bishopdale College website.

This year the Longview Trust was very generous in donating \$2000 to the College library to “purchase recent and contemporary works in the area of Creation Care and Eco-theology”. This donation will boost a particularly important subject area in the library and will be a wonderful blessing to students, the Diocese and wider community. The librarian will ensure the books are displayed and promoted.

RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE (RAC)

The Committee has effectively been in hiatus whilst the Diocese and Standing Committee seek clarification of a range of specific legal issues which will inform the work of the Committee moving forward.

NELSON DIOCESAN TRUST BOARD

Report for 2024 and early 2025

1. Membership and Employees

- 1.1 For the 2024 year, the Board comprised Margaret Soderberg (Chair), Graham Allan (Deputy Chair), Matt McDonald, Doug Johns, Kai Kruse, Steve Perris, and Martin Hall.
- 1.2 James Webb (operating as CPIM Limited) remains the Board's Christchurch Property Manager, and the Board is also well supported by Penelope Barber from the Diocese office for property matters.
- 1.3 The Board relies on the team at the Diocese Centre especially Ed Duggan and his team. We appreciate the excellent reporting and willingness to be flexible as the NDTB seeks additional information and strategic analysis.

2. 2024 Financial Year and first 6 months of 2025

- 2.1 The distribution of "income" in the year in respect of Trust funds in the Permanent Pool was 4.40% (compared with 4.20% in 2023). For 2025 the return will be 4.40% given that while interest rates have dropped, rental income has increased so the same level of distribution is possible.
- 2.2 The annual valuations of the investment assets were:

Investment Type	2024	2023	Note
Directly Owned commercial property	\$170k loss	\$47k gain	General property trends
Trust Investments Property Fund	\$282k loss	\$971k loss	General property trends
JB Were Share/ Equity portfolio	\$668k gain	\$116k gain	World markets but volatile

- 2.3 The decrease in market valuation of real estate properties to end 2024 does not change the rental income received. This decrease in property value has been driven by property markets in New Zealand.
- 2.4 The unrealised asset uplifts resulted in a positive Capital Distribution of just over \$0.2 million to all Permanent Trusts - increasing their individual values by 0.4%. This capital increase is not yet at the level the Board would like but is now moving in the right direction. It should be noted that our JB Were portfolio saw a significant decrease in value at the start of 2025, however by 30 June 2025 this unrealised loss has been eliminated by the subsequent market recovery.

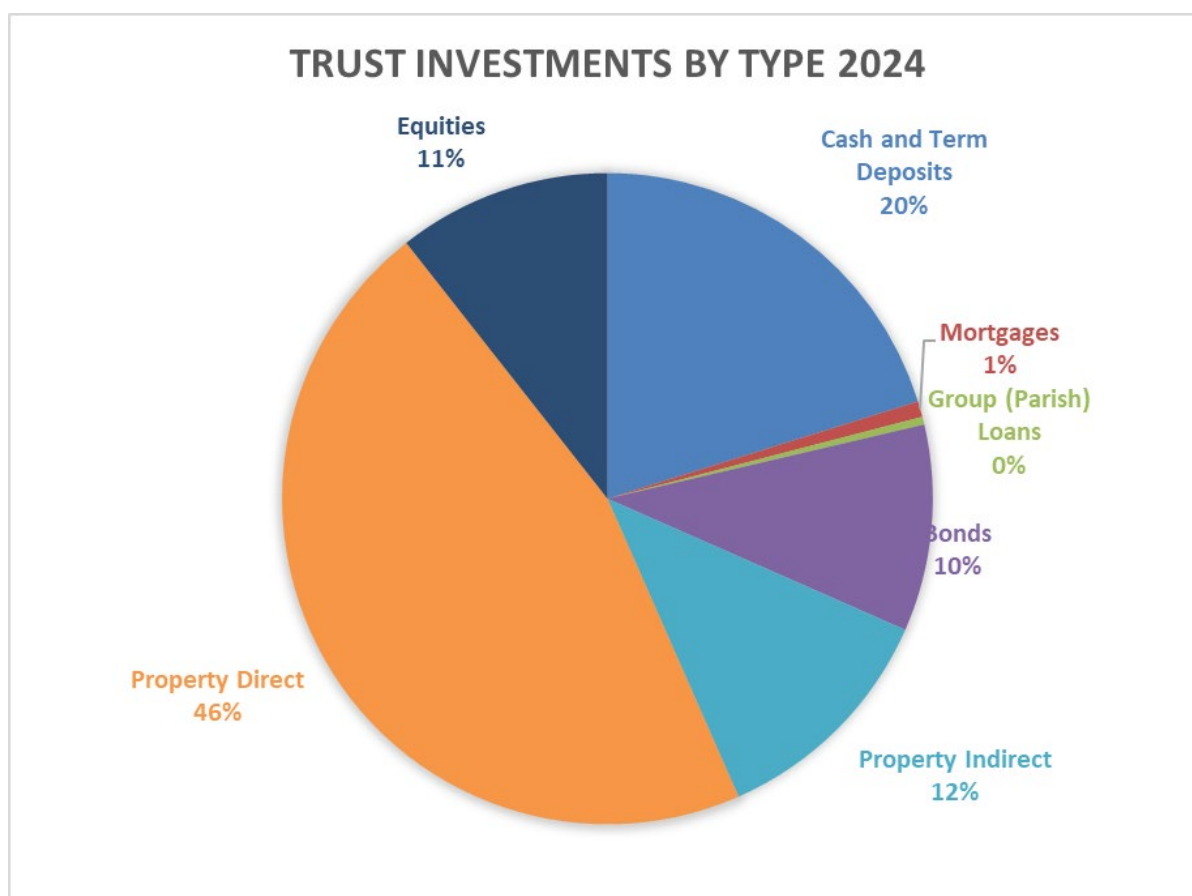
3. Permanent Pool Investments

- 3.1 During 2024 the Board invested a further \$3.0M in equities (mainly international shares) from term deposits to further protect Trust capital from the effects of inflation. While we generate cash yields (from Term deposits and rents) to meet expectations of income to Parishes and the Diocese, we also need to consider growing the capital invested to maintain the base value in the face of inflation.

The Board will continue reviewing its strategic asset allocation and evaluating all the aspects of our investment portfolios. The Board are entrusted with Protecting, Managing and Growing the assets of the Parishes, Diocese, and other entities.

- 3.2 It is worthwhile to continue to emphasise that Trust Board has no assets of its own - all the assets held on the balance sheet of Trust Board belong to the Diocese and Parishes. Trust Board is how our group aggregates these funds for investment providing spread and diversification.

The Trust Board holds the Investments for the Diocese and Parishes in the following portfolios:



Over time we will evaluate how much cash is required to be held in short-term cash and Term Deposits, given that while these do provide cash yields, they do not offer any capital growth. Property Indirect is the investment in Trust Investments (mainly Auckland, Hamilton and Tauranga) based properties which is externally managed. Direct Property is owned by NDTB in Christchurch and Dunedin with 1 property in Nelson. The Board has completed a strategic evaluation all its direct property holdings to commence a programme to strengthen the portfolio.

4. Parish Matters

4.1 In the 2024 year, and the first half of this year:

- Easement and clearance of slip debris - Tāhunanui parish
- Digging of water pipeline through cemetery and related easement for Wakefield parish
- Nativity Blenheim completion of rebuilding project
- Waimea resealing of access way for Snowden's bush
- Resolve LTO issues for past Motueka parish property
- Healthy home compliance assistance and monitoring for all parishes that own a residential property

5. Other Matters

During the year our Property Subcommittee have been working with Ed and Penelope to improve the returns from our properties, develop rental review and documentation policies, as well as resolve legacy property issues. The subcommittee is currently working through strengthening issues with one of the Board's Christchurch commercial properties.

During 2024 the Investment Subcommittee has reviewed our financial instruments policy including developing a financial instruments dashboard. The subcommittee has also been looking at the returns gained on the Boards equity investment and during 2025 will extend the dashboard reporting for all investment classes. In addition, the Investment Subcommittee, with the help of Diocesan staff, will review the Boards Strategic Asset Allocation (SAA) for investments. This work will further balance yearly cash income returns with long term capital growth of the Trust's investments.

At the start of 2025 the Board and Standing Committee had a meeting to discuss strategic direction of the Diocese. This day was valuable and increased understanding of each body's respective responsibilities. The Board is looking forward to working more closely with Standing Committee during 2025 and beyond.

I would like to thank all the members of the Board and Ed Duggan as Finance Manager for their work and commitment to serve the Diocese and Parishes.

Margaret Soderberg
Chair
July 2025

EXTRA DIOCESAN

MISSION TO SEAFARERS NELSON (MTS)

Port Nelson Mission to Seafarers (MTS), Synod Report

It has been a very difficult year!

A couple of years ago, PNMTS was regarded as an exemplar, not only in New Zealand but in the Pacific Rim for how we went about our business, particularly for our close and symbiotic relationship with the statutory Port Welfare Committee, which has membership from port management, trades unions, politicians, shipping agents, Maritime New Zealand, etc.

Sadly, in the last eighteen months we have been crippled by uncertainties of government funding (delivered through Maritime New Zealand). A combination of greatly reduced funding and uncertainty as to future funding led to the two chaplains leaving for more secure (and better paid) jobs, and because we had no paid staff for ten months, the burden was being carried by two elderly volunteers.

We are delighted to say that we now have a 0.5 paid ship visitor in post, and informal promises of future funding, despite the official funding announcement being five weeks overdue. The ship visitor is experienced and competent but cannot possibly do the work carried out by 1.5 staff in the past.

The short-term future looks bright, at least until June 2026.

The mission has excellent relationships with the diocese and with the national and international supporting MTS organisations.

Now that we know funding is continuing, we are currently looking for a new chair and a new committee member. There are typically four committee meetings each year, so the burden is light and no maritime experience is needed: just enthusiasm to help serve the hundreds of or so merchant sailors that visit Nelson each week. This is a very satisfying ministry.

To discuss either of these positions, pls contact Steve Jordan bspj@icloud.com

Steve Jordan, Chair, PNMTS
July 2025

CHURCH ARMY NZ

Nelson Diocese Synod Report 2025

As of writing this report I have been in the role of National Director for close to three weeks, therefore, looking back there is not much to report. However, looking forward there is some exciting mahi ahead. Our main focus over the next 6-12 months is threefold: *governance*, *networking* and *discernment*. And I will continue with my own evangelistic endeavours!



Governance is the top priority in the short term. CANZ needs a restructure. This requires streamlining systems for HR, finance and communications. It also requires some competent help. Therefore, I'm hunting for new board members and a Treasurer. Could that be you?

Networking will be a continued priority moving forward, particularly building relationship with current evangelistic practitioners around Aotearoa New Zealand. To begin with the purpose for building these connections will be to see what is happening in the evangelism space, hear what the needs are and to simply encourage those at the coal face. However, this is to feed into the next priority...

Discernment. To summarise the CANZ's constitution, *Church Army sets out... To further in New Zealand the Anglican Church's task of evangelism. And to provide the Anglican Church with trained Church Army Evangelists.* With this in mind, myself and the rest of the board are discerning what Jesus would have us be and do to fulfil our purpose in this season.

Lastly, as National Director I will continue in my own evangelistic work. This currently looks like being part of and developing teams at St Augustine's Petone to reach and disciple unchurched families and individuals, continuing to run and develop The Motorcycle Collective, and sporadic trips to join the Wheels Team. And Jessie and I continue to evangelise and disciple our five boys!

It is such a joy to be part of what God is doing with CANZ and the Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand! PLEASE keeps us in your prayers, and don't hesitate to reach out if you would love to chat about evangelism.

Love and prayers,
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ANGLICAN MISSIONS



ANGLICAN MISSIONS REPORT – NELSON DIOCESE 2025

Bringing Light, Sharing Hope, Growing Together

Summary of Key Highlights

Amongst many highlights this year, four stand out:

1. Welcoming Our New Engagement Officers

We have been delighted to appoint two part-time Church and Community Engagement Officer, Rev. Luca Tovey-Duckworth and Rev. David Dell. Their role? To walk alongside parishes, deepen relationships, and showcase how your support transforms lives globally.

2. Government Confidence in Our Work

For the first time, Anglican Missions secured government funding for a major initiative in the Solomon Islands. This endorsement significantly boosts our capacity to serve communities vulnerable to climate change.

3. Responding to Global Emergencies

Whether in Gaza, Vanuatu, or Myanmar, we worked collaboratively with other agencies to ensure faster, more effective responses. This cross-agency cooperation has strengthened both our reach and reputation.

4. Building Church Resilience

We are contributing to a global Anglican Communion focus on helping churches prepare for and respond to climate-related disasters, equipping local churches to be resilient, hope-filled beacons in a crisis.

Signs of Healthy Growth

There's real encouragement in the shoots we're seeing:

- We have a highly motivated, deeply skilled team who are increasingly in demand to speak at churches and events.
- Our visibility is growing, with a number of parishes now choosing to support us following engagement.
- Multiple agencies, including more than half a dozen in the Gaza response, chose to partner with us. That's trust in action.
- Government funding is not only a financial boost but also a vote of confidence. If the government backs us, surely our own Church should too.
- At our heart, Anglican Missions is deeply Christian and proudly Anglican. From clergy stipends in Polynesia to water tanks in Fijian villages, our work is infused with faith and a call to make disciples.

What Needs Pruning

We're honest about our challenges. Chief among them: visibility and trust within some parishes. While the development and aid sector, including the NZ Government, recognises and supports our work, we still have ground to cover within our own Anglican whanau. We invite you to help change that by:

- Visiting and using our website
- Following us on social media
- Signing up for "Pray the News", our weekly prayer resource that links world events with meaningful intercession
- Talking to your parish about how you can engage more deeply with overseas mission.

Our **new Strategic Plan** will help focus our priorities, reaffirming our Pacific focus and sharpening our mission mandate. There are always efficiencies to be made, and we are mindful of that. We are also aware that the mission landscape is always changing and adapting and we have to keep up with those changes.

Planting New Seeds in Good Soil

We're excited about:

- New doors opening in Anglican Schools, sparking mission curiosity in the next generation
- Opportunities to work more closely with our key partner NZCMS (we fund 50% of their mission partner costs)
- A growing interest from some parishes to hear more about who we are and what we do
- Increased involvement in the global Anglican Communion, especially through the Anglican Alliance.
- Mark Mitchell, our Development and Humanitarian Lead, is steering groundbreaking work helping churches worldwide prepare for disasters and climate impacts.
- Public funding opportunities, where every dollar raised can potentially be matched 3–5 times by government partners.
- A generous recent grant of \$80,000 from the U.S. Episcopal Church for a health and water initiative in Fiji.

We'll continue to collaborate, knock on donor doors, and most importantly knock on the doors of our parishes. In one Diocese, 40% of parishes give nothing to Anglican Missions. I'm delighted to report that in Nelson, there are only a handful. But we must appeal more if we are to truly be the agency of *our* Church.

A Word of Thanks

To the **Diocese of Nelson**, a massive thank you. Your giving has been a lifeline. In 2023, Tikanga Giving from Nelson totalled **\$76,406**. In 2024 it rose to **\$79,643**, which is truly heartening. For 2025, we currently anticipate a return to around \$76,000, which, though steady, does reflect wider national trends of decline.

We recognise that many parishes are under financial pressure. It's not a lack of passion for mission. It's more often a question of survival. We encourage you to:

- **Download and use our resources** from pew sheets to prayer slides (or ask for tailored ones)
- **Reach out** to our team for anything you need. Invite us to come and meet and speak.

Special thanks to **Helen Neame**, your dedicated representative on the Tikanga Pākehā Overseas Mission Group, and to **Bishop Steve** for your unwavering support and encouragement.

Together, may we continue to be a Church that sends, supports, and shares the Good News to the ends



Rev. Michael Hartfield - National Director Anglican Missions

NZ CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY (NZCMS)



**Report from the NZ Church Missionary Society
Diocese of Nelson Synod 2025**

Submitted by Rosie Fyfe, NZCMS National Director

This report outlines opportunities for churches to engage in global mission through NZCMS, and pathways for people discerning a call to serve in global missions. I'm delighted that our partnership with the Nelson Diocese has grown this year, with the appointment of Rev John and Connie Sherlock as long-term Mission Partners (to serve in Rwanda), and Mike Jessop serving short-term under our Moments apprenticeship program. For other news from NZCMS, see our Annual Report: <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/gods-unstoppable-kingdom-annual-report-2025/>

How NZCMS Supports Churches

Link Church Partnerships Formal partnerships between an NZCMS Mission Partner and a church, involving financial commitment, pastoral care, prayer, and direct mission partner relationships during home service.

Connect Church Partnerships Prayer-focused relationships with NZCMS and our mission partners, including regular updates and communication materials to help congregations engage with global mission. This is especially for smaller churches who can't commit to being a Link Church

Four Weeks on Mission Resources NZCMS produces a resource package each August, which can be used anytime during the year. This year it includes short teaching videos and mission partner stories as well bible study materials based on scriptures from Romans. <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/resources/four-weeks-on-mission/>

Short-term Mission Team Support NZCMS provides assistance for Youth Pastors or other leaders of short-term mission trip teams. This includes leader coaching, cultural preparation, risk assessment forms, team training manuals, and post-trip debriefing. Available online or in- person.

Pathways for Young Adults

We are delighted to have Rev Carl Tinnion joined the staff team as the NZCMS Missions Catalyst. Carl brings a wealth of experience, having worked with young adults in mission for the past 30 years (he previously served as the director of YWAM in the UK). Carl, who lives in Tauranga, works 20 hours per week with NZCMS and 20 hours church planting under the Diocese of Waiapu.

Seriously Interested in Mission Groups Missional discipleship groups which meet every two months. These groups provide an opportunity for young adults to hear from Mission Partners, and to wrestle with questions of calling, vocation, and serving across cultures. A Nelson group was launched in July 2025. <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/seriously-interested-in-mission/>

Gather to Scatter Weekends 2-day mission events for young adults held in cities around NZ. <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/get-involved/gather-to-scatter/>

Encounter Trips 8-10 day trips to expose university students and young professionals to mission initiatives in various countries. The next trip will be led by Carl and his wife Melanie, heading to Nepal in July. Contact Carl for more information: carl@nzcms.org.nz

Moments Apprenticeships 2-6 month overseas cross-cultural placements. Moments apprentices get involved in meaningful ministry alongside Mission Partners, who provide coaching and support. Mike Jessop from Nelson is our first Moments Apprentice, serving in Gulu in North Uganda alongside Mission Partners Nick and Tess.

<https://www.nzcms.org.nz/moments/>

Lukwiya Health Fellowship

This is an annual, \$6000 award given to a New Zealand health worker to join NZCMS Mission Partner Dr Nick Laing and his team in Uganda. This is a short-term placement serving at St. Philips, a busy and dynamic Anglican operated Health Centre in Northern Uganda.

www.nzcms.org.nz/lukwiya

Educational Pathways involving Global Mission

NZQA Missions Internship through Bishopdale Bible College. This 1-2 year combines theological education with practical cross-cultural mission experience for Bible college students. <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/get-involved/mission-internships/>

Short Term Ordinand Placements (proposed) Strategic global placements with English-speaking Anglican churches abroad, designed to enrich ordinands' theological formation and cross-cultural ministry experience. Possible placements with the Province of Alexandria and the Diocese of Singapore. NZCMS will manage the logistics, pastoral care, training, debriefing, and administrative processing of these placements under the Moments apprenticeship.

Sending Global Mission Partners

Short term Mission Partners are self-funded, serve 3-12 months, with NZCMS providing pastoral, prayer and administrative oversight.

Long Term Mission Partners are fully supported following a significant discernment and training process. Mission Partners from Anglican churches are partially funded by Anglican Missions. The training includes suitable theological training (minimum one year) and join CMS Australia trainees in Melbourne for five months of specialized mission formation before deployment. <https://www.nzcms.org.nz/get-involved/with-you/>

Sending Criteria

NZCMS recently defined more specific criteria about why we send Mission Partners globally, and to what contexts we send people to.

Criteria 1: Reach Gospel-Poor Peoples for Christ

Where witness to Christ is limited or restricted, we proclaim the Gospel in an incarnational way, partnering wherever possible, particularly with the local church.

Evangelism and sharing the Gospel is always at the heart of missions. We have used the term Gospel-poor to describe contexts where people have had limited or no opportunity to hear the Gospel in their own language and cultural context without outside help. Gospel-poor contexts include places where Scripture is not yet translated into the local language, places where there are few churches or Christians, and even places where the church was formerly thriving but no longer is.

Our Mission Partners proclaim the Gospel in an incarnational way. Incarnational means following Christ's example by entering the reality of others—truly being present, authentic, and engaged in their lives and contexts.

This is not just sharing the Gospel with words; it's about embodying Christ's love through genuine relationship and shared life. Living incarnationally means meeting people where they are, rather than expecting them to come to us. It means immersion in local cultures and communities with humility and respect, and living out faith in tangible and visible ways that witness to God's love.

Criteria 2: Strengthening the Global Church

We strengthen churches and Christian organisations through providing needed skills and encouraging local leadership. We serve at the invitation of the local church, joining in their existing work and vision rather than imposing our agenda.

Whereas the first criteria emphasise contexts that are Gospel-poor, in parts of Africa, Asia, and Latin America, Christianity has grown rapidly. Around 2/3rds of the global church lives in these three 'non-Western' continents. This change has many implications for mission sending organisations like NZCMS. Places that used to solely receive missionaries are now thriving centres of Christianity. Mission is no longer 'from the West to the rest' but 'from everywhere to everywhere'. The very same countries that once had missionaries come to them are sending out their own missionaries around the world.

Even in these contexts, there are still significant opportunities for Mission Partners from NZ to strengthen the global church. For these contexts, it is vital for NZCMS to send people who have skillsets that are needed and roles which have a focus on encouraging local leadership.

Additionally, there needs to be an invitation from a church leader to serve. We serve at the invitation of the local church, and we avoid imposing our own agenda. The range of skills that are useful in these contexts are wide, and includes areas such as theological education, health care, and community development.

[Rev John and Connie Sherlock](#), who were recently appointed as Mission Partners to serve in Rwanda, fit in this category. They will be using their professional skills as an Anglican priest and primary school teacher. This matches the needs, especially an urgent need for more theological education. They have had a formal invitation from the Province of the Anglican Church in Rwanda



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Third Session of the Fifty-Ninth Synod

All Saints

18th -20th September 2025

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ALL SAINTS

1. What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

Over the last year since our last synod report, we have seen some new initiatives and changes take root and start to grow at All Saints:

Call and Kaupapa: We have started to discern and articulate what we believe God is calling us to do and be at All Saints: to be a church that is for the 'Good of the City' (Jeremiah 29), helping our city flourish in spirit, body and mind, encountering the good news and goodness of God. It's early days, but have started to dig into what it means and how we can step out and respond to God's call.

Whanau Church: Whanau church has come out of our whanau nights which started two years ago, as a way of gathering families that we have been connecting with through Kids and Coffee and Kids and Cooking our weekly and monthly carer and kid groups. We have recognised that within these gatherings there has been interest in what church is, so at Easter, we held our first whanau church on a Saturday afternoon, serving toasties, playing a few games and telling the Easter story in a variety of ways. We really encouraged by this start, and have enjoyed the next couple of events, done on the theme of prayer, seeking to introduce people to who God is, and giving them some simple ways of engaging with him in prayer as a family.

A culture of Health and Safety:

This may seem a strange one to add as a new initiative, but we feel that we have made progress in developing a culture of health and safety, where it is part of the way that our ministries and activities run, and is becoming more normalised.

The Makery

The Makery creative arts space has been growing this year, with a couple of different projects going on including an advent exhibition 'Anchored in Hope' and a Pentecost Prayer installation using photography. We've seen some really interesting connections being made with the community and are exploring different partnerships with local schools.

Young Adults/YA Cafe

We have recently seen a small upturn in young adults engaging with All Saints, and Sam Oomen has been doing a great job with YA Café our monthly young adults evening building on these relationships.

Go Sunday

Over the last year we have been experimenting with using every fifth Sunday of the year for the chance to go and serve and bless our wider community. We start with breakfast together, some go into our 9am service to pray for our city, while others go out. We have sent teams to Youth Nelson, Brook Sanctuary, as well as doing garden clear-ups for people connected with us as a church. It has been a point of encouragement and frustration at times, please see the question about pruning!

Newcomers involvement:

We have been working on how we engage with newcomers to the parish, holding a newcomer's tea in March, and then following up with help for people to find their place of belonging: lots of our newcomers have ended up helping with Whanau church which is great.

Sunday interaction

Our Sunday services have become more interactive recently, with people getting used to talking and reflecting together. There is definitely less of an audible groan when people are asked to do it! We also had a couple of great Sundays with a panel having Kaupapa conversations on how we embody the Kaupapa of All Saints in our everyday lives.

PNG Trip:

All Saints has always had a rich history of support around overseas mission and is great to be able to send a team of nine, to help resource the Mission Aviation Fellowship partners conference, where we are speaking and running youth and kids work, as well as offering counselling and spiritual direction to those who need it. Please pray for us as head off at the end of September.

Practicing the Way course:

For four weeks before and after Easter, we ran the practicing the way course, developed by John Mark Comer: great material, and some really good responses from people. A reminder that following Jesus is not that complex, but it is quite hard!

2. **What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.**

Go Sunday

We would love to engage more with our community in different ways, but are faced with some challenges: how do we make connections with different groups, are people willing to miss a service, to go out and serve? We have been struggling to provide enough opportunities to 'go' yet know it is important to keep wrestling with and pursuing. A work in progress... We know that our heart for mission and evangelism needs to keep growing and developing.

We continue to wrestle with how to steward our resources, both people, time and money, to use what God has given us faithfully and obediently.

3. **What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into?**

On one hand it feels like a time of consolidation with new ministries bedding in and turning over the soil and responding to what God is doing in our midst. On the other hand, we are exploring what it means for us to be for the Good of the City and are definitely open to new opportunities!

ATAWHAI-HIRA

Summary of Changes at Atawhai–Hira Parish

The parish stated mission is: **“To Know Christ and to Make Him Known.”**

Leadership and Governance Transition

- Rev Emmanuel Vallaidam and family were farewelled in January 2025 as Emmanuel departed to study theology in Auckland.
- In response to a resolution passed at a Special Parish Meeting on 24 November 2024, the parish formally acknowledged that the parish was not sustainable and should cease ministry in its current form and calls upon the bishop to implement a ministry plan.
- Following this, the bishop appointed a Commissioner, Rev Canon Simon Martin, to oversee governance and ministry during a transitional period beginning February 2025.
- The vestry was dissolved, and governance is now led by the Commissioner.
- The status and boundaries of the parish remains unchanged.

Worship and Ministry Restructuring

- St Peter’s Atawhai held its final service on 26 January 2025. Services are paused while a new ministry plan is developed.
- St John’s Hira continues weekly services at 10 am, with a committed team of people lead by Rev Gordon Taylor as non-stipendiary priest at St John’s and Rev Christina Naseri as the deacon taking some preaching and pastoral responsibilities.
- The Wayfinder Vision Tool is guiding ministry development at St John’s.

Hopes and Vision from St John’s Hira

- Members of St John’s Hira have expressed strong desire for their church to remain open and active.
- They welcomed the City to City Report acknowledging the distinct identities of Atawhai and Hira.
- They requested exploration of a sustainable future for St John’s, including the possibility of becoming a Mission Unit of the Diocese.
- The congregation emphasized the need for full consultation, accurate financial information, and swift action.
- They highlighted increased community engagement over the past two years and expressed enthusiasm for future ministry, including participation in the Wayfinder Meeting.

Property and Finance

- The vicarage was inspected and prepared for rental
- The Diocesan Finance Manager is temporarily acting as treasurer and Parish Recorder.

Commissioner

Rev Canon Simon Martin

July 2025

St John's Hira Synod Report - 2025

1. What signs of healthy growth have we noticed?
Two new members (both away overseas at present), one couple from St Peters monthly, a young musician about to join us
Good fellowship: members not wanting to leave the after-church cuppa
Steering committee under Simon as our Commissioner, and bringing positive governance and worship guidance and leadership
2. What needs pruning?
We have already been pruned, with temporary closure of St Peters, and six members deciding to leave the Anglican Church completely, others not worshipping anywhere, or to other churches in Diocese.
3. After the initial six months with this revised Parish model, we still have a need for assistance with strategies to engage children and young families in and to our church (something that was agreed at from Wayfinders session). A complete lack of our financial status is also untenable although we do understand the complexities in this area in the current situation.
4. What new work do we sense God is inviting the parish into?
To listen to community needs
To keep doing outreach events
To communicate with community organisations
To set up a community noticeboard on our grounds, with St Johns in control of how it is used
5. Any new seeds?
Largely through Gordon, a good relationship with the school; also a relationship with the Kindy and the Nelson North Club. A relationship also with YWAM base within the parish area
6. New doors and opportunities?
For Gordon's time at St Johns to be extended beyond December; he has brought us fresh heart and is also community minded.
To keep doing community and outreach events within our capabilities, to date these have been an outdoor carol service, a March Mad Hatters Tea Party, facilitating a district Anzac commemoration, having a Christians Against Poverty speaker, a joint community annual fair, a 1662 Evensong, and in August a "Remember Them" service for local families of those who have died.

We acknowledge with gratitude the Diocesan help during the Haere Mai time, for the community tea party outreach.

We also thank Rev Canon Simon Martin for his encouragement and leadership as Commissioner.

Too we thank the Diocese and All Saints for sharing Rev Gordon Taylor with us fortnightly, and for Gordon and Penny's willingness and enthusiasm.

Rev Christina Naseri

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL



Our Vision: A Place that Matters as the Spiritual Heart of Diocese and City

Our Mission: To be an Anglican Cathedral-centered family walking with Christ to share the love of God with others.

Cathedral life continues to be busy and as I have said before, Cathedral ministry does not slow down, you just shift your focus from one thing to the next. Cathedral ministry is unique in other ways. Most importantly, because of our position in Nelson City and being open every day, Nelson Cathedral is a **liminal** space – a place that sits in between our regular daily lives and the mystery of the sacred. People naturally come and visit; as tourists visiting this iconic building, or as worshippers to pray or to light a candle, or simply as people who need to find a place of peace and quiet. A central part of Cathedral ministry is connecting the over 30,000 visitors we have each year to God through a variety of ways as they come into this sacred space for whatever reason.

1. What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

To nurture meaningful Christian worship through Anglican Liturgical and Choral traditions

Much of what we do daily involves people engaging deeply with the Good News of Jesus, and our Sunday services continue to be the “shop-front” of Cathedral ministry. Across all our services in 2024 (Sunday, midweek and rest home) we had over 11,000 people attend weekly worship (that is over 200 per week) and our livestream increases our reach even further (almost double).

A focal point for us are the celebrations of Christmas and Easter. We had a wonderful 2024-25 Christmas season that saw so many join us for services and events; with over 1,200 attending our services (Nine Lessons and Carols, Christingle, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day) along with over 900 online views of our Christmas services. Combined with the six concerts over the last weeks of 2024, 1900 people come into the Cathedral to enjoy this sacred space and the sacred music in preparation for Christmas.

To extend discipleship pathways/opportunities for people in all stages of faith.

As a Parish, the Cathedral is looking at more intentional ways to see God’s mission in action, to help people come to know Jesus and grow their faith. Our Wednesday communion service, morning tea and “Emmaus” Bible study group continues to grow with several people coming for the whole morning, and the morning tea has become a real time of fellowship.

In 2024 we also had four Baptisms, along with one so far in 2025, including the first full-immersion baptism for some time in the Cathedral. These have provided opportunity for some instruction on the Christian faith so that adults or parents of children are confident in what they are doing in coming for baptism.

The other areas of ministry growth are the 12 funerals and 6 weddings that have occurred in 2024. I have enjoyed the opportunity to take people through 4 weeks of marriage preparation.

A new area of ministry that has begun in 2025 is a “Welcome to the Cathedral” lunch for those new to the parish. We had 22 attend the first in February and I hope we can run 2 a year to connect people and to introduce ways people can get involved. Many thanks to our catering team who did an amazing job.

2. What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

To maximise opportunities for social connection, civic engagement, evangelism, care and hospitality.



Events and concerts are an important part of Cathedral ministry and set our Cathedral apart from other churches. Carols on the Steps and the Christmas Tree Festival are a mainstay of our Cathedral's connection to the community. After the "Carols in the Cathedral" in 2023, a huge crowd enjoyed gathering outside on the steps and around Piki Mai for this iconic event in 2024 (approximately 6000 all over Piki Mai). The Christmas Tree festival was also a success, running for 44 days and involving 53 trees from Nelson community groups and businesses. During the Festival, we received over 12,000 votes for "your favourite tree" and had visitors from Nelson/Tasman (58%), the rest of NZ (21%), and Overseas (21%). As part of the Festival, we ran 12 free lunch-time concerts before Christmas, which 960 people attended.

As already mentioned, concerts are a great way to connect the wider public to the Cathedral, as well as providing well needed income. The end of the year is always busy with 6 concerts over the last three weekends of 2024 from the Chroma Choir, the Nelson Civic Choir and our own sold-out Cathedral Concert featuring the NBS Nelson Brass Band and Cathedral Choir which brought in around another 2000 people into the Cathedral. As one Cathedral parishioner stated after attending the Cathedral concert, *"Your celebratory music yesterday was the best Christmas gift of shared experience. It soothed and uplifted, and I appreciate the hours given to achieve this artistic accomplishment"*.



As a Cathedral we are not only there for times of celebration, but we are also a focal point when our community suffers. The beginning of 2025 will be forever remembered after the tragic death of Snr Sgt Lyn Fleming on New Year's morning. I am so very proud of our Cathedral whānau as we supported the Nelson community during this sad time. The Cathedral responded by lowering our flag to half-mast and the setting up of condolence books in the Cathedral, an initiative begun by Rev Steve. Six books were filled at the Cathedral, and Rev Steve and I had the opportunity to deliver these to District Commander Tracey Thompson. The Cathedral also hosted the livestream of the funeral service which 220 people attended. This was a moving time for the Nelson Public to gather in honour of Lyn's life and service in our community. The Police have also commented how much they appreciated the Cathedral's support during this time.

Resthome ministry has been an important part of Cathedral DNA especially at The Wood where a weekly Communion service, room blessings, individual Holy Communion in rooms, and pastoral visiting are all part of this important ministry. This has now expanded to include weekly services at Green Gables in partnership with All Saints which includes the distribution of Holy Communion in rooms. We also are involved in the monthly service at Ernest Rutherford, by taking a service once every 3 months. I am very thankful to Rev Nigel Whinney, Rev Steve Jordan and Rev Lois Hurd-McKee and the pastoral care team for all they do in extending our Cathedral's ministry of care to our parishioners and wider community.

Earthquake Strengthening and Enhancement provides us with an opportunity to look ahead and think about how we can make the Cathedral even more inviting for people to come, as well as how we can make the Cathedral more user-friendly for events such as concerts. The hope is that in doing this work, we can bring even more events into the Cathedral, and make access easier for the general public – in effect bring the Cathedral “down the steps”, metaphorically.

Cathedral Tours

Recently we held two very successful Cathedral tours with the Rutherford Probus group (25) and Stoke Friendship Group (10), along with a school visit from Nelson Christian Academy. I was able to put a short history booklet together from our recent Archaeology report and David Lucas and I were able to run the tours. We got very positive responses from all groups. We are working on updating the internal look of the Cathedral and providing QR codes at certain pots so people can do a self-tour. This along, with a kid's Cathedral activity sheet, is making the Cathedral more engaging for those who come in.

3. Haere Mai: what intentionally evangelistic effort was made, and how that has impacted the life of the parish to the glory of God.

Evangelism in the Cathedral looks different from regular parish life because people naturally come to us, the challenge is to provide a space where they encounter God. As we considered Haere Mai, we targeted four events to make our evangelism more intentional.

A Lenten Study

This year we ran the course “*Exploring the Big Story of the Bible*” over 5 weeks and included one session on *Christianity in Aotearoa*. Between 12-17 people attended.

B. Good Friday.

This year we changed our Good Friday service to incorporate the choral work, *The Crucifixion*, by John Stainer as a way of attracting those who would not normally come to a “service” but would come to a concert. We weaved liturgy, Easter readings, the procession of the cross, and an opportunity to respond through this music. We had over 230 people attend (almost double our regular attendance) and at least half were not Cathedral parishioners. We also noticed an increase in 20-40 year-olds attending. One person said after, “so Jesus died for me” which indicates those attending connected spiritually to the music and liturgy. A common theme in people's comments about all our Easter services were how moving they found them.

C *Te Ramaroa, Nelson Festival of Light.*

The festival organisers had asked if they could hold a light show in the Cathedral which would make the Cathedral a central attraction at the festival. We were considering beginning each session with Choral Evensong. Sadly, this event was postponed due to a lack of grant funding, but is being planned for 2026.

D Cathedral Centenary Celebrations

Over the weekend of August 9-10 (2025), we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone for the current marble Cathedral. This was a wonderful opportunity for people to come and make this their Cathedral, with 80 people coming for public tours, 50 people attending the official planting of a Totora tree and afternoon tea, and 50 people joining for Evensong on Sat 9th. On Sunday we held a special 10am service attended by 240 people, which began with the Nelson City Brass and ended with the Nelson Pipe Band. It was lovely to be joined by our Mayor and MP, the Dean from Auckland Cathedral, and members of Te Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu and the Whakatū Anglican Māori Mission. The Sunday finished with a catered lunch at the Trafalgar Centre attended by 98 people.



This weekend was a great celebration of both the spiritual and public life of Nelson Cathedral, as people from both church and wider community learnt about both the physical history, but also the spiritual history of the Cathedral and Piki Mai. As we look ahead to Cathedral strengthening and enhancement plans, the Cathedral's future is now up to us as a parish and as a Diocese, as together we faithfully and prayerfully walk with God

and let God work in and through us. I believe we can approach the changes and challenges ahead of us with hope in God's faithfulness and care as we continue to be *A Place that Matters as the Spiritual Heart of Diocese and City.*

God Bless

Graham O'Brien (Dean)

STOKE

Vision: To impact Stoke and beyond, for the Kingdom of God

I want to begin by giving thanks to God for His faithfulness, provision, and guiding hand over St Barnabas Church throughout the last year. It has been a year marked by growth, challenge, and opportunity, and I am profoundly thankful for the way our church has responded – with faith, unity, generosity, and servant-heartedness.

We have experienced a season of expansion, not only in numbers but in depth of community and commitment. It has been an absolute joy to welcome new individuals and families who now call St Barnabas home. Each person is a reminder that God is continuing to draw people to Himself.

Team

We are incredibly blessed to have an outstanding staff team and an amazing group of faithful volunteers who give generously of their time, energy, and gifts. From those who serve in up-front roles to those quietly working behind the scenes, each person plays a vital part in our shared ministry. Whether it's through pastoral care, worship leading, children and youth ministry, hospitality, gardening, tech, administration, or prayer, the impact of their service is immeasurable.

Exploration

Our community outreach has continued to flourish through a range of community-facing events. Our Christmas Party, Carols in the Park, and seasonal celebrations have helped us connect with our wider Stoke community and demonstrate the love of Jesus in tangible ways. These moments of joy, hospitality, and witness have created significant opportunities for relationship building and sharing our faith. We also continue to support local needs through pastoral care, food parcels, and practical support where possible. Our building is used throughout the week by various groups, reinforcing our role as a community hub.

Transformation

One of the great joys of this past year was celebrating eight baptisms. These were powerful moments where individuals publicly declared their faith and were welcomed into the family of God. Baptisms are always a visible reminder of transformation, new life, and the gospel's power to renew hearts and lives. Alongside this, a highlight has been the growth of our children's ministry, with new teams and leaders stepping up to manage the growth.

Together

We are not without our trials. We have walked through some challenging seasons related to staff health, which have tested us but also brought us closer together. I am grateful for the resilience and mutual support within our team and congregation. We continue to trust God for healing, strength, and renewal, and we are thankful for every prayer and every practical act of care extended.

Partnership

Our reach has extended beyond Stoke in meaningful ways this year. We have had the privilege of supporting Wakefield Church as they undergo a time of rebuilding. Offering prayer, guidance, and encouragement to our neighbours is a beautiful expression of the wider body of Christ. Our involvement in the Convergence Church Camp, in partnership with the Diocese, also provided a time of rich spiritual renewal, teaching, and fellowship for all who attended.

Haere Mai – Jesus Matters

We participated in *Haere Mai Jesus Matters: Come and See*, encouraging members to share their faith and invite others into a life-changing encounter with Jesus. This has sparked fresh conversations and a renewed passion for mission among our congregation. The bill board advertising in the lead up to Easter was a very worthwhile exercise. In the second term we ran an Alpha course, had a man's breakfast, and a preaching series on ways to share our experience of Jesus. This focus on evangelism needs to be kept as a top priority, and we need to keep finding new ways to share our faith.

Forward in Faith

As we look to the future, our vision remains the same. To impact Stoke and beyond for the Kingdom of God. We want to continue being a lighthouse in our community: a place where lives are transformed, disciples are made and Jesus is glorified. In the coming year, we are committed to deepening our spiritual life, strengthening our ministries, and expanding our outreach with intentionality and faith. I am deeply grateful for all that God has done, is doing and will do in the year ahead at St Barnabas.

Blessings

Phil Greenwood

Vicar, St Barnabas Church Stoke

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COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

A wise member of our church recently reminded me of an old hymn: *'Count your blessings'*. The reminder was both to encourage and gently rebuke me. Here's why: one of the stanzas reads, *'When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed, when you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, count your many blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord has done.'*

So, I took a blank piece of paper and started writing some of the highlights at St. Stephens in the last 9 months. I was amazed at all the good things that have happened and continues to happen – the Lord has surely been kind to us since our last Synod. As a leadership, we decided to implement some of the 'Haere Mai' ideas immediately even before the 'Haere Mai season,' so as to build an invitational culture. Here are a few highlights since our last Synod:

Celebrations and commissions



We started advent with the *'50+ special Christmas programme'*. 84 people attended with more than half being first time visitors. Since then, *'The Wednesday Connection'* - our weekly outreach to senior citizens has been growing steadily.

During advent we also held *'Kids & Carols'* event which was very well attended as our Tamariki presented a wonderful Christmas musical. The children's ministry has also grown. Because of this growth, we have now started an intermediate age-group programme called *'Crossover'*.

Crossover commissioning service

We also praise God for the few but very faithful teens that are part of the church family. They have also just completed a study called *'10 questions every teen should ask (and answer) about Christianity.'*

We praise God for *'Kai & kids'* – our young mums cooking programme. It's highly relational & intergenerational. This is a collaboration between St. Stephens & Tahunanui Community Hub. The concept is very simple- six young mums meet for six weeks with some of our church folk for a cooking class. We also provide music and play for their kid. The class culminates with a shared meal. After the six weeks, we have a celebration meal at church. We have ran this for 3 seasons. Results: the mums have gained new skills and friends and some have made St. Stephens their church.



Kai & Kids – A six weeks cooking class in the community where skills are gained and relationships are formed

We also celebrate the starting of a young adults group called ‘*The House*’. Out of these group, one of them, Mike, is away for a couple of months to assist NZCMS missionaries in Uganda. We also had the privilege of commissioning the Sherlocks as they launch out to global missions. What a privilege to be a church that is sending out missionaries across the street and around the world. We are truly experiencing missions from everywhere to everywhere.



Commissioning the Sherlocks & Mike Jessop as they head out as long-term & short term missionaries respectively

In January through to March, we had three church BBQs at the beach and at Te Pa Harakeke park. We had our ‘Haere Mai’ flags up and free sausages to distribute as we had chats with people. The BBQ at the beach was in partnership with St. Barnabas. These were opportunities for us as a church to be visible in the community.

Then in February & March, we mobilised the church to a ‘prayer & invite’ campaign called: ‘*Who’s your one*’. The idea was that during Lent, everybody in church is to pray for the salvation of at least one person and invite them for Easter and/or post-Easter events. We made simple prayer guides to encourage daily personal and cooperate prayers. The results were evident as we had 112 first-time visitors in our Easter services. My heart melted when at the Easter evening service, one church member came up to me and said, “My ‘one’ came for the service, he is making steps towards God!”

We were very encouraged by the first-time visitors. Our desire is that first-time visitors will become growing, committed, fully engaged Jesus followers and church members. And so we created ‘a next steps’ for them. One of the steps was to invite them to our Sunday morning services. We intentionally preached a relevant and relatable topic – suffering! Suffering is one of the topics that is a major blocker for people to consider the Christian faith. The sermon series became a doorway to many conversations and opportunity to minister to people.

Another 'next step' was to invite people for '*Christianity Explored*'. This is designed for those interested in exploring faith and life in a course format.

We also started simple bi-monthly events (every 2 months) to increase our visibility in the community, inviting people to church and expand our income revenue streams. As the Minister, my joy was to see different church members offering to lead and run these events. We started with a '*Garage & clothes sale*' – this is a pop-up op-shop & cafe. Then a '*Ladies Dessert Night*', followed by a '*Men's Breakfast*' and lastly a '*Worship night*'. Amid all these, massive pastoral needs have been met and continue to be met.

As a church whanau, we praise God for all that He has allowed us to see and do. The Lord is drawing people to Himself, He is building His Church and His Kingdom is expanding. The gospel is being faithfully preached, there is a growing desire by members to abide in Christ and to increasingly rely on the leading and empowering of the Holy Spirit. There is a growing number of members who are sacrificially generous with their time, skills and money. New ministries are starting and we are seeing gospel fruit. Hallelujah!

Challenge and invitation

As all these are happening, the needs are increasing and we are financially challenged. It reminds me of Peter & John at the temple gates in Acts 3. God was powerfully at work in and through them, but they had no money... "silver or gold we have none, but in the name of Jesus of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" We are serving from a point of financial strain but that does not stop the movement of the gospel and from God working in people's lives. St. Stephens serves one of the economically challenged suburbs of the city. Tahunanui is frequently referred to as the 'forgotten suburb' of Nelson. This has been our biggest challenge. But even with our biggest challenge, I also see our biggest opportunity for the sake of the Gospel. There's an opportunity for us as parishes to go beyond our parish boundaries and partner for the sake of the gospel. As we have in the past years participated in the revitalisation of other parishes, we are open to receiving financial assistance from other parishes to help us reach more and new people for the sake of the Gospel. Would you consider partnering with us?

All in all, God is renewing our hearts and lives for our good and for His glory. What a delight it is for us as a church whanau to work together to point people to Jesus, through the gospel from the Bible. Praise God!

Kinyua Kathuri, Vicar

VICTORY

"Every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit." – John 15:2

As we pause to reflect on where we see God at work among us—where green shoots have emerged, where pruning has made space for health, and where the soil of our community invites us to sow new seeds. This is a season of both gratitude and expectancy.

What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

The clearest sign of new life this year has been the arrival of **Rev. Paul Nzimbi**, his wife **Rita**, and their son **Ttei**. Since their arrival in January, Nzi's (Paul's) pastoral presence and Rita's investment in our young people and worship have brought a renewed sense of warmth and vitality to our community. We offer heartfelt thanks to our wardens, **Neville Jackson** and **Jan Brunt**, along with **Rev. Canon Simon Martin** for faithfully guiding the church through the interregnum, and to the Parish Nominators who helped lay the groundwork for this next chapter.

Life is emerging across all generations. The **Kea Kids Holiday Programme**, held in April under the banner **Haere Mai – Jesus Matters**, continues to blossom. With more than 40 children participating, the programme focused on the theme of 'Rise Up'—celebrating Jesus' resurrection and calling young people to rise in faith. The week culminated in public expressions of worship through dances and skits at the Cathedral steps, visits to seniors' homes, and a joyful Easter celebration at Victory. These moments of witness reminded us that worship is not confined to a building but flows outward into the world.

Our **Tamariki and Rangatahi ministries** are vibrant and full of promise. Rita is leading 11–14-year-olds through the Alpha Youth series, while Amanda focuses on discipling younger children aged 5–10. Meanwhile, our monthly **Whānau Services** have matured into a living expression of the body of Christ—intergenerational, intercultural, and deeply relational.

At **Victory Primary School**, weekly **Launchpad Bible sessions** connect us with tamariki and their whānau. Alongside this, **Victory Hoops**—a basketball programme led by Will Poil—is building bridges between the church and local families through sport. The programme offers tamariki a fun and supportive space to grow in confidence, develop teamwork skills, and experience positive relationships with Christian role models. Together, these initiatives are creating natural and meaningful pathways for connection, care, and faith formation in our neighbourhood.

In **elder care**, Tracey-Lynn's ministry continues to grow in both reach and richness. Her home visits offer space for unhurried conversation, prayer, and genuine connection. It has also been encouraging to see many of our senior members actively engaged in community life outside of church—evidence of resilience, joy, and deepening relationships.

At Flaxmore, Tracey-Lynn has introduced simple instruments like tambourines and castanets to encourage participation during services—fostering both joy and gentle stimulation. Small eldercare gatherings have created quiet, reflective spaces for sharing devotional resources such as poetry, including works like *Vessel of Love*, which resonate deeply with those navigating the final decades of life.

Her presence at the Ageing Expo in April extended Victory's visibility within the community and allowed for personal connections beyond our usual networks—such as with an isolated senior from Mapua seeking spiritual support. It is a ministry marked by creativity, compassion, and quiet strength.

These are the signs of branches bearing fruit.

What needs pruning?

"Every branch that does bear fruit He prunes..." Pruning is not punishment—it is purposeful. It is the grace-filled work of the Gardener, shaping what already lives so that it may flourish more freely.

Some areas of our shared life are calling for faithful letting go—not because they are failures, but because their season may be drawing to a close:

- **The climbing wall project** is winding down. While it has served as a space for outreach and engagement in past seasons, the time has come to release it. Conversations are underway about how best to redirect remaining energy and funding to new areas of growth.
- **Ministry transitions:** Two long-serving ministry leaders are preparing to step into new seasons of calling—one preparing to marry and relocate overseas, and another sensing that their season of leadership is coming to a close. While we celebrate these milestones and the faithfulness they represent, we are also aware of the gap they leave. These transitions invite us to prayerfully seek and raise up new leaders—but they may also require us to temporarily scale back or simplify some ministries in the short term. We acknowledge this as a form of pruning: not a loss of vision, but a wise stewardship of capacity as we wait on what God will grow next.
- **Refreshed calling:** We also sense a fresh invitation to the older generation to support our ministry leaders and provide the much-needed depth we require in our volunteer teams. We are calling seasoned believers to re-offer their wisdom, presence, and spiritual maturity—not just to hold space, but to actively invest in the next generation and the kingdom of God.
- **Renewing our posture:** One of the most life-giving opportunities for pruning is in our internal posture. We are learning to release rigid expectations—about what ministry must look like, who should lead, and how God chooses to move. This is not a loss of clarity but an invitation to deeper openness: to remain teachable, hopeful, and joyfully responsive to the unexpected ways God is at work in and among us.

Pruning can feel like loss. But it is actually preparation—making space for new life. We trust that what is trimmed in grace will return in abundance, and with greater resilience.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil?

This year, the **vicarage was upgraded** to welcome the Nzimbi family—a tangible expression of our commitment to long-term leadership, stability, and hospitality. But the physical preparation mirrors a deeper call: to keep sowing with hope.

- **Team-building** in our children's and youth ministries is a top priority. Amanda is inviting new volunteers into the fold—people willing to share the load, invest in young lives, and grow in faith together. We see not just a staffing need, but a discipleship opportunity.
- Our connections with **migrant and former refugee families** are still unfolding. Their hunger for Scripture and parenting support presents us with holy ground. We sense the Spirit prompting us to create spaces of learning and welcome that honour all cultures and languages.
- The **Whānau Services** that have taken root among us show what is possible: a church not built on programmes, but on presence. A church where different generations sit side by side. Where songs, prayers, questions, and stories rise together. This is the kind of soil we believe God is calling us to cultivate.

We enter the second half of the year with hands open and hearts ready. We trust the Gardener. May we remain in Christ, that our joy may be full, and our fruit enduring.

MARLBOROUGH DEANERY



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AWATERE

Awatere Christian Joint Venture

The mission of the Awatere Joint Venture is to be disciples and make disciples by:

- Developing pathways to Christian faith
- Gathering to grow in Christ
- Learning to share the gospel of Jesus Christ effectively

This report will use our mission statement to reflect on healthy shoots, pruning and planting in good soil, but first we want to introduce readers to our new staff member Raylene Foutanu:

Raylene is working up to 12 hours per week for the Joint Venture to support, encourage and equip our younger people and their families. We are so pleased that we have managed to recruit such a joy-filled, faithful, person to serve our children and families. Here's a question-and-answer introduction to Raylene:

"What do you like about the Awatere region?"

What I like about the Awatere is the sense of community and the wonderful people who live there and steward its sweeping landscape. At tea after church, I love the riotous laughter coming from the kitchen doors, the sound of children playing 2 vs 2 basketball, the uplifting music playing through the sound system, and the squeals of high-spirited children who are playing tag. There's a real buzz as people make genuine connections with others. The cups of tea themselves are washed down by plates of delicious homemade biscuits, cakes and brownies which are made with love. I've really enjoyed getting to know our Christian brothers who work in the vineyards.

"What led you to feel called to work with youth and families in a Christian ministry setting?"

God opened the doors for me to serve the youth and families in the Awatere. It is my privilege to walk alongside tamariki and whānau as they navigate their lives and grow in their Christian journey.

"What's one story or moment in your ministry that has deeply impacted your faith or strengthened your calling?"

I've seen God's handiwork in many moments throughout my ministry. But if there's one testimony truly worth telling, it's of Jesus's overwhelming and powerful redeeming love.

"How has serving in the Awatere shaped your personal faith journey?"

God led me to serve Him and the beautiful people of the Awatere, and through this journey, He continues to shape my life and faith—giving me a deeper sense of purpose and belonging through whakawhanaungatanga. Born in Pōneke and raised in the vibrant, multicultural city of Porirua, I am of Samoan descent and the eldest of five siblings. In 2004, after moving to Auckland, I received Christ through the Apostolic church. From that moment, I committed myself to serving in the children's ministry—faithfully dedicating 19 years to His service. Today, I continue my ministry in the Awatere region under the dynamic leadership of John and Sara Phillips. I'm currently pursuing a Bachelor of Teaching, working as a kaiaawhina at Blenheim School, and facilitating a Pasifika leadership and educational programme for Pasifika children and youth in Marlborough. After I finish my training, I hope to get a job teaching and continue to speak into the hearts of local children.

Being disciples and making disciples in our patch:

- Developing pathways to Christian faith

This idea involves a paradigm shift for us all. We are excellent at providing care for the needy in our community. Our outreaches usually meet genuine need but the idea of a pathway to faith is new. We sometimes feel like it is unethical to invite people involved in our outreaches to church, or to incorporate a Christian message, or to offer prayer.

When Julie-Anne Laird taught some of us about the funnel (pictured below), something clicked for us.



We are good at love, and ok at social, but we aren't good at safe space questions. We do offer spaces to encounter Jesus, wrestle with the bible and there are opportunities to serve.

One long term pathway to faith is the path our children are taking. They are on a journey (we pray) to resilient faith. Our staff are attempting to incorporate sticky faith principles into our youth/children and families' ministries.

- Gathering to Grow in Christ

Our Seddon congregation has continued to grow in numbers. We have welcomed some younger members. We are so encouraged that these newer members are eager to serve the church and to us their gifts in service of our Lord.

- Learning to share the gospel of Jesus Christ effectively

Our growth group in Seddon has been meeting regularly. We have been equipped for evangelism by studying *Learn the Gospel (Matthias Media)* and by going through the *Hope Explored* course together.

Our women's Bible study had 12 participants who completed the *Hope Explored* evangelistic course. Our minister is meeting with seasonal employees from Vanuatu and PNG to do *Christianity Explored (Universal Edition)*.

- New seeds in good soil

Our minister believes that many of the seasonal employees are churchied without necessarily having saving faith in Christ. There is a big opportunity in Seddon to reap a harvest. If any man feels called to cross cultural service, and feels inclined to stay in Aotearoa, then ***Come to Seddon! Nau mai, haere mai! Kia tere!***

BLenheim

What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

Probably the most obvious sign of this is the 9 baptisms we conducted in April. There were a range of people who came for baptism which was a healthy sign – some of the group were young people who have grown up at Nativity and came forward, wanting to make their own commitment to follow Christ. The other part of the group, within themselves were quite diverse in terms of age and stage but were all new converts to Christian faith within the last year or so. All of them have their own unique journeys to faith but have been able to grow in their faith and commit to following Christ through their coming to Nativity

Another healthy shoot of Nativity's life at the moment is a number of social events that we have run over the last 12 months. We have run a 'Glamorous Gowns', showcasing Gowns from various ages, a 'GnT' night, a talent show evening and recently the 'Nod to the 70's' party. All of these were about inviting friends of parishioners to a good fun night (where do you get to dance nowadays??) and developing relationships. These have been very popular with attendees asking each time when our next event will be happening

We have just started hosting a Pilates session and this has been very popular with our hall full of attendees. Our goal here is to form relationships with those who attend over a cup of coffee following the session.

On a slightly more subjective level, we are seeing increased numbers of people coming to morning tea and for longer periods of time. There is a sense people are wanting to engage with one another more and to have a chance to have deeper conversations. We are considering ways in which we might support and develop this, but for the moment it is great to see.

What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

We are analysing some of our outreach programs that, while providing a good service to the community, haven't seemed to have connected people with the church beyond this. We also seem to have a lot going on and combining these, a more targeted approach is needed. We continue to think through what we have to offer and connect that with the community need while being willing to say no to things that have no clear connection.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

From our recent focus on evangelism it is hoped that there will be a response and people coming into the life of the church and faith. Are we prepared for this in terms of having people capable of discipling new believers? There certainly is many that can do this now but the ongoing and wider equipping of people with the basic skills of leading bible studies, prayer, understanding spiritual formation and the scope of the normal Christian life is likely the next key area of growth for us to step into.

The Catholic church has a formal process for this in the form of RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and some within our own diocese are using and developing their own 'catechesis' - a combined approach to resourcing this could be a possibility. This is not necessarily planting new seeds but definitely the next opportunity for us to revitalise and develop.

In September we beginning 'Chosen', the reformatted child sponsorship program with World Vision program. Our particular involvement will be with the Solomon Islands, building on our existing relationships with RSE workers from there who worship with us.

BLLENHEIM SOUTH

ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH REPORT FOR SYNOD 2025

This year has been another fruitful and blessed one for St Christopher's as we continue to live out our calling as God's people, with a shared vision of *being* and *making* disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have experienced the Lord's gracious provision and guidance in many ways – spiritually, pastorally and practically – and have seen continued growth both in the life of faith and in the life of the church community.



The Filipino Haere Mai Group

Worship and Congregational Life

Our corporate life centres around three regular weekly services: two on Sunday mornings (9.00am Traditional and 10.30am Contemporary) and one midweek service on Wednesdays. We also hold a monthly Mandarin Chinese service. Our church holds a variety of ministries throughout the week, including home groups, regular prayer gatherings, and programmes that cater for all age groups – from children through to seniors.

Children's ministries include a growing Sunday School, Jitterbugs (a Tuesday morning programme for preschoolers and caregivers), and our quarterly Messy Church, which remains a vital outreach to the wider community. Our Elevate Youth Group continues to grow, with a strong emphasis on discipleship and community.

We have seen a deepening spirit of prayerfulness in our church this year. Four key areas of prayer ministry remain vibrant and well supported:

1. **Prayer Chain Ministry** – supported by around 25 committed intercessors.
2. **Prayer Corner Ministry** – offered during and after Sunday services.
3. **Intercessors Group** – meeting twice a month for intentional prayer.
4. **Monthly Corporate Prayer Gathering** – attended by members across our services.

Our Eldercare Ministry continues to bless many in our church and beyond.

Key Developments and Blessings

We are thankful for many signs of life and vitality across our church ministries. Among the notable highlights this year are:

1. **Parish Leadership**

At our 2025 AGM, we elected a strong and gifted Vestry, with Steve Scaife appointed as Vicar's Warden and Mary Griffiths as People's Warden. Our Synod Representatives are Mary Griffiths, Alan Nicholson, and Valerie Nicholson. Other Vestry members include Mark Peters, Vivienne Peters, Philip Gibbison, Garry Stanley, Justin Tweeddale, and Ed Durrheim.

2. **Contemporary Service Enhancements**

Our 11am service was moved to 10.30am to better suit families and allow people to return home in time for lunch. This change has been warmly received. We have also increased the frequency of Holy Communion to twice a month (1st and 3rd Sundays).

3. **Worship Ministry**

New worship leaders have joined the 9am team, and new volunteers have been trained to prepare Communion at the 10.30am service.

4. **Pastoral Care**

A Pastoral Care Coordinator has been appointed for the 10.30am congregation, supported by a caring team of volunteers. This has strengthened our capacity to provide intentional pastoral care.

5. **Rest Home Ministry**

Volunteers lead twice-monthly services at two local rest homes – an important and deeply appreciated ministry of presence and encouragement.

6. **Home and Hospital Visiting**

Trained volunteers continue to visit parishioners in their homes and in hospital, offering prayer, companionship, and Communion when requested.

7. **Practical Support**

The Handy Men's Group has been active in helping parishioners with practical tasks – serving with compassion and humility.

8. **A New Children's Choir**

We launched a new ministry for children aged 6–12 called *Rising Voices*. This choir provides musical training and faith formation and has been met with strong enthusiasm from families.

9. **Healing Ministry**

We continue our partnership with the Order of St Luke (OSL). Our vicar serves as Chaplain for the OSL Blenheim Chapter, and Rev Kevin Gwynne is the Chapter Convenor. A number of our parishioners have joined the Order this year.

10. Children and Families Worker Appointed

In response to the growth of our children's ministry, we have employed a part-time Children and Families Worker. This has strengthened our ability to disciple young families.

11. Youth Ministry Growth

Our Youth Worker continues to serve faithfully, now in a paid part-time capacity. Elevate Youth remains a place of encouragement and growth for our young people.

12. Mission and Giving

Alongside our annual mission commitments, several special appeals were held:

- **Christian Blind Mission (CBM):** \$2,500 raised for cataract surgeries in Papua New Guinea.
- **Barnabas Aid:** Over \$4,000 raised to support persecuted and suffering believers in other parts of the world.
- **Church Family Appeal:** A very generous, confidential collection was raised to assist a family experiencing illness and financial hardship.

13. Men's Ministry

A number of men's breakfasts were held this year, drawing participants from both the church and wider community. These events combined fellowship, food and inspiring guest speakers.

14. New Home Groups

Two new home groups have recently been established, including one for young adults – a demographic we have long hoped to reach.

15. Property Maintenance – We give thanks to God for providing both the financial resources and a dedicated, skilled Property Manager to carry out timely repairs and maintenance of our parish buildings and grounds. We are especially grateful for the faithful service of Alan Nicholson in this role.**16. Flower Guild** – We are thankful that new members have recently joined the Flower Guild, strengthening this valuable ministry of beautifying our worship space.**17. Annual Market Preparation** – A wonderful team has come together in preparation for this year's much-anticipated annual market. We give thanks for the outstanding leadership of Vivienne Peters, our Market Morning Convenor, and for her dedicated team.**18. Motive Time Holiday Event** - During one of the school holiday breaks, we hosted a well-attended *Motive Time* event where 24 children – and several parents – enjoyed the screening of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. This was a fun and meaningful time of connection, especially for families with young children.

Challenges and Opportunities

Our 9am traditional congregation has faced natural attrition due to age and health-related factors. Finding new volunteers for rostered duties has been challenging. We are deeply grateful to those who continue to serve faithfully and frequently.

Haere Mai – A Highlight of 2025

This year, we participated in the Diocesan-wide *Haere Mai* initiative by running the *Christianity Explored* course in five small groups – one in Mandarin, one in Filipino, and three in English. The project was led by a committed leadership team and promoted as a relational, welcoming way for people to explore the Christian faith. We thank God for:

- **Weekly Participation:** An average of 34 participants attended weekly.
- **New Connections:** 13 attendees were new to St Christopher's and came by personal invitation.
- **Personal Evangelism:** One participant from the Chinese group asked for extra materials to run the course one-on-one with a non-Christian friend.
- **New Groups:** The Filipino group has continued beyond the course and is now meeting weekly for Bible study and fellowship. A new Young Adults Group has also been formed – the first such group at our church in many years.

The project culminated in a joyful Pentecost Sunday service where five participants gave moving testimonies of how their faith had deepened through the Haere Mai groups. We give thanks for the new life and hope that has emerged through this initiative.

Conclusion

This year has reminded us that even in a world marked by uncertainty and hardship, the Lord is powerfully at work. We have seen Him growing believers, drawing people to Himself, and building His church through Word and Spirit. We give Him all the glory for the many blessings we have experienced at St Christopher's Church this year.

"To him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine... to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations."
(Ephesians 3:20–21)

This report has been prepared by the Vicar, with contributions from the Wardens and Synod Representatives.

HAVELOCK & THE SOUNDS

We might be one of the smaller rural parishes (numerically) but we are probably the biggest parish if we measure the boundaries (comprising most of the Marlborough Sounds). This brings with it unique challenges.

For much of the past few years we have been rebuilding confidence after the split that occurred over the time of the 'Covid pandemic.'

This has been compounded by an increasing mistrust in the institutionalism of the church (world-wide and nationally): We have seen two new independent house churches (fellowships) develop in Havelock during these years that have no discernible oversight or accountability.

While much of our energy is centred on the parish church of St Peter's in Havelock, the church of St Mark's in Rai Valley was re-opened for a monthly service by the Rev Kevin Topp (as part of his rural ministry portfolio).

However, the last year has seen us step out and take seriously the mandate from Ephesians 4:12 to *'equip the saints for the work of ministry.'*

Rather than simply pay lip-service to this passage, we have been re-thinking what this means, for a parish that doesn't have the resources to sustain a stipendiary ministry (whether it be part-time or full-time).

We had a sense that the traditional model of ministry has been centred on 'the minister' who carries the burden and responsibility for the 'work of ministry' – whereas this passage indicates that this equipping is the responsibility for those who have unique (and often specific) spiritual gifting as apostles, evangelists, pastors, teachers, preachers.

And then, (in something that we can only describe as a move from God) as we were thinking and dreaming, three or four new families (independently of each other) moved into the parish and committed themselves to its life and ministry.

In Richard Ellena we have the apostolic leadership. In Rev Kevin Topp we have the pastoral leadership. And now suddenly with the advent of these new folk we have amongst us people with the gift of evangelism; others with a passion for scripture and an enthusiasm for the church's preaching and teaching and (as an added treat) one with the gift of administration. And just recently another couple have started coming along who have discernible prophetic gifting.

Furthermore, these folk who have become central to our life and vision have come from the wider parish; Rai Valley, Anikiwa, Moenui, Moetapu.....

We continue our pastoral ministry out into wider community with our elder care worker calling in on older folk who find it difficult to get out and about (very few of whom have had any connection to a church). And just recently Bishop Richard was asked to organise a memorial service in the local pub for the publican who had died suddenly.

However, with the advent of these young families we are finding a growing interest in running an alpha course out in the community and there is also a growing connection with Linkwater school that is feeding into a developing children's ministry.

All of which is very exciting and places yet another challenge on the older folk in the parish to step up in support of the dreams of these new families.

The increasing numbers (not just of children) is also putting the burden on our facilities. The old hall where our Kid's Church meets and where we gather for morning tea is still standings thanks to the borer holding hands.

The fact that we are renting the vicarage and not paying a stipend means that we can build our financial nest egg to see this old hall replaced.

And then we have the earthquake strengthening to consider.

The council missed the fact that we have this little stone church here in Havelock and didn't come knocking when every other parish was confronted with this.

The re-opening of Rai Valley brought the issue of St Peter's out into the open.

But we remain a congregation that loves the Lord, cares for one another and seeks to make an impression out into the wider community.

Chris Lordan

Bishop's warden

Hilary Ellena

People's warden

Richard Ellena

Interim transition team ministry leader/advisor

KAIKOURA

1. What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed?

- a. Since the previous Synod, members of the parish participated in "Practicing the Way", a discipleship programme offering eight sessions of teaching, guided conversation, and spiritual exercises designed to lay a foundation for lifelong apprenticeship to Jesus.
- b. Our congregation has been heartily encouraged to see growth in our Sunday congregation. We give thanks to God that many seasonal workers employed in Kaikoura have searched out a spiritual home and found it at St Peter's Church while they are living and working in the area.
- c. 35% of the population of Kaikoura is 65 or older. The congregation's weekly Seniors' Pop- in is more than simply a chat over morning coffee. The parish's Eldercare worker is active with outreach to seniors on the parish roll, but more importantly, to those in the township who have no faith community to which to belong.
- d. There are a couple of seasons within the year where regular bible study for members of the congregation takes place in the evenings. Friday nights with dinner and a thought-provoking movie are also places where we come together and learn/talk about our faith.
- e. Nearly half of the regular Sunday congregation participated in the Wayfinders' Workshop in June. The result was a plan for going and growing forward presented to the vestry to guide the work and mission of the parish over the coming five years.
The day was crafted to include some "first steps" that the parish has already taken in the first three months following the workshop. These include regular prayer by the vestry for the ability to meet the goals set, building and encouraging the faith of the congregation, finding a suitable resource for a six-week discipling course, and some intentional community-building activities over table fellowship once a month.

8. What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

Reflecting on the idea of "wayfinding", navigating while in our waka, we must be careful on a long journey to conserve energy. Let's throw overboard the idea of starting new programmes and be guided instead by the idea of keeping it simple and starting small. We can spread ourselves and our resources too thinly if we attempt to do too much. The Wayfinders Day helped us focus on the areas of growth we have energy for and will help us in the coming months/years to avoid "rushing madly off in all directions".

9. **What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.**

We know that we cannot simply wait for people to come to us but need to take onboard the idea of going to where the people are at. We've identified the following:

including moving to retirement homes, moving away from the community at the conclusion of their work, moving on to other educational opportunities.

- a. With a tourist town like Kaikoura the world is on our doorstep. Who are the un-gathered here? We see cashiers in shops from Japan and China, workers at Sudima from India, hospital staff from the Philippines. Even those who are only here for a short period of time may well be looking for a place to belong while so far from home. See 1b above. Ministry with a transient population is an opportunity and a challenge.
- b. Because of Kaikoura's place in eco-tourism, there are people in the conservation community who often feel the church hasn't heard their concerns. As an eco-church, St. Peter's could play a special role in reaching out to them.
- c. Parents with toddlers are already gathering in our church hall, once a week for Music and Movement. Here's an opportunity on our doorstep. Some of us have started attending that program, not only to support the staff but also to build relationships with young families. For Pentecost, we hosted a teddy bear picnic which concluded with a teddy bear hunt in the church.

Submitted by The Rev Susan Baldwin, Interim Priest in charge, on behalf of the Rev Courtney Wilson, away on sabbatical.

PICTON

Report for Synod, September 2025 by Rev. Marie-Jeanette van der Wal

First of all, I want to give thanks to the Lord, for every member of the Picton Anglican Parish, for their commitment to the Lord through faith, as they function in the body of Christ, the Church. I am particularly grateful for the commitment and support of my husband Hans, the Ministry Team (Lay Ministers and Wardens), Vestry, and everyone who actively contributes to the life of the Picton parish. We are also grateful for the support of City-to-City consultants who supported ministry and development of a Vision Plan.

Signs of healthy growth

The Ministry Team has been enforced by new people's warden, John Stretton, and Michelle McCready as Pastoral Care Leader, both showing love for the Lord, His Word and people in the church and community.

By participating in several community groups, contributing to the establishment of an Emergency Management framework, as well as participating in the ANZAC commemorations, Holy Trinity has established a strong and positive position in the Picton community.

Connect Group meets in the hall on Thursday evenings. It is an informal time for fellowship and growth, through deeper exploration of the Word, based on Sunday's preaching. The average number of attendants is 8-10.

Coffee Connect was a new initiative this year, with a group of ladies meeting at a local café for social connection and pastoral conversations, usually starting off with a question regarding Sunday's preaching.

Social Connect evenings were a new initiative as well, with the purpose of inviting others who do not usually attend church. Social activities included 'bring your own dinner', having fun with games, story-telling and building connections.

A highlight of the year was the Haere Mai event; a dinner party with the theme "Ode to Autumn". All church members who attended brought along friends. It was an evening of building relationships through fun, music, dancing and a delicious dinner. Now that more connections have been established, we hope that it's easier to invite friends to church activities and worship services.

Another highlight was the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on Christmas Eve, which was very well attended by members of the community. Even the Mayor of the Marlborough District Council attends every year, and contributes by reading scriptures.

Sunday Worship services have been mostly well attended, or viewed on YouTube. We welcomed a few new members, as well as a group of RSE workers from the Solomon Islands, who brought joy and music to services and lunches. Visitors receive gifts of vegetables, grown by a team of committed gardeners.

Prayer meetings on Wednesday mornings are well attended, as well as the pre-service prayer meetings on Sunday mornings. It is encouraging that parishioners understand and value praying together, and we are noticing how the Lord answers prayers!

Pruning and changes

A lovely family with a toddler and baby joined us for a while, but were then employed elsewhere. This was hard for another family with a young child. We now miss both these families.

It is also increasingly harder for older members to attend due to poor health, and some have moved away to care facilities.

Two parishioners have passed away. One at the age of 91, and the other leaving a family with teenage children behind.

The Chat Room was a successful outreach ministry over the last year. At the fortnightly café for parents/caregivers and children, friendships were built and ladies were open for conversations around life's challenges and faith. Unfortunately, my co-host became unavailable for this ministry due to work commitments, and we had to make the hard decision to take a pause.

Rest-home services were put on hold, due to reduction of my work hours. However, Keith and Heather Turner offered to take up positions as rest-home chaplains and continue to minister to residents through regular visits, conversations and prayers.

Invitation to plant new seeds in good soil

It has been encouraging to observe evidence of growth that is taking place at Holy Trinity, Picton.

Expository Bible teaching is welcomed, prayer is integrated in church life, and parishioners care for one another in love and unity, as well as warmly offering hospitality to others.

However, the part-time ministry position has been challenging for me personally, and for the development of further outreach ministry.

As I prayerfully considered the present and future of Holy Trinity, I believe that it has arrived at a crossroads. Although the congregation is in a healthy position, Holy Trinity would benefit from a minister who has skills and ability to reach families with children and young people.

This can be an exciting new chapter in the life of the Picton parish!

At the same time, I experienced that the Lord led me to retirement from the position as vicar. I am grateful for the period that the Lord called me to minister in Picton, and I trust that His plans for the future of the Picton parish are good.

Farewells come with sadness, but also with joy in trusting that the Lord loves His Church, that He is sovereign, and that He is able to provide workers for the harvest. All for the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ!

SPRING CREEK

Submitted by Denise Dinmore, Synod Rep for St Luke's Church Spring Creek.

Spring Creek Parish

St Luke's Church

We are a small parish of very diverse parishioners of all ages, usual attendance is between 20 and 30 people, depending upon the agricultural and holiday seasons. Our Church is open every week into the local community and most of us travel from Blenheim town to attend this rural base. Our services are in a mixture of styles led by either our advising minister, Rev. Derek Harding, or various lay people from our congregation. We celebrate communion on the first and third Sundays as a rule with services of the word on the remaining Sundays.

Vestry meets regularly and our finances continue to be healthy because we have no stipend to pay and we are able to rent the Vicarage.

Consequently, we are able to maintain the buildings and grounds appropriately.

For each service we project the liturgy onto a screen in the church building in the summer or during the winter, when we move into the warmth of the parish hall, to a large monitor. We are planning to restart our Spring and Summer Jazz concerts and BBQs. Our trees and grounds provide these events with a lovely, positive, and relaxing atmosphere and can be seen by passers-by so emphasising our open invitation to the community.

One of our lay leaders is a bio-scientist and he did an excellent presentation on the miracle of our internal workings from a Christian and proven scientific value. It was entitled, "Science and Faith meet."

We had about 80 people attend with tea and coffee afterward and we hope to have more similar community events with different speakers in the future.

Sadly, Alistair Campbell and Neville Hall, both of whom were dedicated and valuable members and ex-officers of St. Luke's who have now gone to be with the God they served so faithfully.

We meet every Sunday witnessing our faith in our gracious and merciful God to the community. We look to God to point us all in the direction of our Saviour Jesus as Lord of all and our lives, and to depend on the Holy Spirit to give us worthy direction to our future, whether personal or corporate.

WAIRAU VALLEY

At the end of December Joe Keighley left the parish as the half time Vicar and took up a full-time position at Burnside parish in the Canterbury Diocese. Joe had struggled to do the Vicar's role and hold a part time secular job which often had to take precedence and the whole situation put enormous pressure on him in the last 12 months.

Brian Paton has taken on the Bishop's Warden and health & safety officer role and Nicki Stace has taken up the Peoples Warden role. Debbie Paton continues as the non-stipendiary Priest and provides the spiritual oversight of the parish as well as many other responsibilities.

Two parishioners, Colleen Elwood and Merryl Hodgson have been employed to do the administration which has contributed immensely to alleviating the workload. Colleen is also our Church Secretary and has been responsible for the communications, enabling repairs and new installations to be done in a timely manner, ordering required goods and being point of contact for the Vicarage. Merryl maintains our financial and service records, Proclaim, newsletters and parishioners contact list.

Debbie has organised preachers from our Deanery who have been only too happy to assist and have provided solid teaching. A big thank you to our Dean, Rev. Glen Ashworth for his willingness to support us in any way that he can including supporting Rev's Richard & Kaye Dyer, Rev. Miriam Taylor and Raewyn Parkes from Nativity, to preach for us on an ongoing basis. Rev. Terry Tyrrell and Wairau parish members Rob Elwood, Merryl Hodgson, Heather Keighley and Rev Debbie Paton also preach.

Rev. Joshua Moore and Renata van der Wal ran a Wayfinder Course on the 5th of April with the Wardens and Vestry members who were available to attend. The parish now has a ten, and one-year vision and three-year and 90-day goals. Vestry has taken responsibility to work through these however with a vestry of only 6 members, all of whom are already deeply involved in the church life, this additional workload is challenging. The significant areas of change have been a new focus on programmes involving young children and the decision to stop the Elder Care programme as well as a desire to start services once more up at Wairau Valley township. We were disappointed with the final City to City report in that it did not provide the parish with any useful insights as to ways forward, was in some parts discouraging and, in many areas, inaccurate. In contrast the Wayfinder tool was extremely useful and greatly appreciated by the parish.

Our current leadership options are not ideal. We can and have employed two people to carry out the day to day running of the parish, or we could employ a part time Vicar who would spend much of their time doing administration tasks and would repeat the situation Joe found himself in. Currently the parish is renting out the vicarage which is providing revenue to complete long awaited maintenance tasks and pay for our administration staff. The only opportunity to employ a full time Vicar would be to combine with other parishes and have someone with oversight of more than one parish. We are very fortunate to currently have a non-stipendiary Priest; however, this is definitely not a long-term option.

Numbers on a Sunday have increased this year which is very encouraging however new attendees usually take time to fully commit their time and resources to their new parish. The fact that numbers have not decreased since Joe's departure is a credit to him for the culture that he had developed, in that it was not about him but about Christ.

Despite the congregation size the parish has a number of community outreach programmes. During the winter months, once a month we have a shared soup lunch. At Easter and on any 5th Sunday we combine with the Renwick Presbyterian's for services at alternative locations. Our market morning still attracts non-church attendees and a communal table is an opportunity to gather together, form relationships and be a blessing to the lonely. The annual garden tour suffered lower attendance through bad weather however our bottle auction was sold out. Mainly Music numbers are increasing and beginning to bear fruit and our five home groups continue to go from strength to strength. The service at Ashwood Park retirement village attracts good numbers and Walter Scott continues to lead that important outreach.

All in all, the parish is in good heart with no issues filling the rosters each week and a loving family atmosphere being experienced each week. There is still a need for more service leaders to step up however God is still on his throne and we continue to be blessed by Him. God is good!

MAWHERA DEANERY



Diocese of Nelson

New Zealand

PARISH REPORTS

Mawhera Deanery

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BULLER

1. What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

We have seen several signs of encouragement and growth over the last 12 months. Many of these have been related to Haere Mai and the renewed focus on evangelism.

In Westport the local ministers' association co-ordinated combined churches outreach at Christmas and Easter. Taking place at the outdoor stage on the main street, this has attracted over 200 people each time. At the Christmas event evangelist Daz Chettle shared a gospel message and invited people to a combined service the next day at which several people made a commitment to Christ.

Musicians in our parish Jacque Watts, Phil England and Bill Walker performed at a Haere Mai concert in April. Testimonies were shared between songs and we invited people to the upcoming Alpha Courses. In total 15 people attended Alpha, most from outside of our churches. Several have since made commitments to follow Jesus. Our challenge now is how to best disciple those who have become Christians.

At St Peter's Granity we have seen a big increase in numbers attending on a Sunday, compared to a few years ago. 2 new families plus several others have joined. We have also experienced open and honest prayers of confession and thanksgiving in our open prayer time during the Sunday service. We also ran a holiday programme for children during the summer school holidays.

Ripple Effect training in both Westport and Granity has helped keep the focus on evangelism and encouraged people to share the Gospel with their friends.

The LightHouse congregation in Westport continues to reach new people of all ages. We are currently planning a series looking at baptism and what it means to be a Christian.

At Holy Trinity Karamea, there have been a number of opportunities to reach out to the wider community, including a movie night for youth and a harvest festival lunch. We also celebrated the baptism of 3 boys aged 8-12 who attend church with their family.

2. What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

Pruning may not be the right metaphor here, but a few groups have had to change or develop depending on the circumstances.

In Westport the Nourish bible study group for families was replaced by a daytime Alpha Course. Now the Alpha course is finished, the group will change format again with a renewed focus on bible study and discipleship.

In Granity, the Coffee and Eats outreach group has been through a hiatus, followed by a change of day. We are still seeking the best model that will be sustainable and missionally effective going forward.

In Karamea, the Bible study group has changed format and time. Since it is mainly women who attend, there may be a need to launch another group for men.

3. What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

Our key priority is to disciple the several people who have become Christians over the last year. This will involve discipleship groups as well as some one-on-one pastoral support. As these new people join existing congregations and church groups, there will need to be grace extended from existing church members.

Rev Matt Watts, Vicar

COBDEN-RUNANGA

Mission Statement

To know Jesus Christ and to make Him known.

Values and Strategies

As the local Anglican parish we seek to be a Christ-centred community, in relationship with the wider body of Christ both locally and beyond, affirming the Biblical faith and open to the work of God's Spirit. A community that actively seeks to nurture, disciple and enable for ministry all its members, providing relevant worship and teaching. A community that is effective in outreach both personally and corporately beginning with the local area but extending to the wider mission field. We desire to see God's love, healing and care expressed in our parish and then through it to the wider community in such a way that human needs are met, injustices challenged, and creation's resources faithfully stewarded.

What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

Bible in Schools – Currently there are only two schools offering Bible in Schools on the West Coast and Cobden primary which we service is one of them. What's great about Bible in schools is that we know that 90% of people coming to faith in their later years have had some exposure to the gospel in their childhood or youth. Bible in schools is exposing fifty children to the gospel on a regular basis. What's more we see some of those children coming to church regularly and when they leave for High School they also come to The Shed in higher numbers than other primary schools. What's more the connection with the school is very positive. We have been asked to pray for them on a number of occasions, and they also contribute to our community pantry.

Sharing Shed – Our opp. shop in Cobden is definitely a healthy shoot. Not only does it contribute to the Parishes finances but we tithe the income to Missions which was \$10,000 last year. Sponsor a child, support Bishopdale Theological College, Operation Coverup and made five \$1,000 grants to the community which earns us valuable credibility in the community. Furthermore, we engage thirty plus volunteers many of whom are from the community and are building very positive relationships with them. We also run a free community Pantry which is a valuable support to those who are struggling to make ends meet in the community. And of course, we are reducing what's going to landfill and saving 500 tonnes of carbon through our recycling of clothing and other goods.

The Shed Youth Programme – Into its 27th year now The Shed continues to engage with mainly unchurched youth exposing them to the gospel through the leadership, relationships, conversation and our adherence to gospel values. Again, these youth exposed to the gospel are more likely to turn to the gospel later in life.

Know Your Bible study groups – Run by Shirley Smith these ecumenical women's groups are a wonderful place of discipleship and fellowship in the Parish.

Healing Room – This year we launched a Healing Room which draws its' team from across the churches and offers healing prayer in Runanga for anyone who desires it. Very early days but the signs are promising as it gains community exposure and acceptance.

Property Maintenance – This is going very well and not only engenders a feeling of pride in well kept, up to date facilities but will leave the Parish in good stead for the future.

Branding review and update – As part of the Way Forward initiative we have had a review and update of our branding resulting in new logos, website, newsletter format, signage and more. It's looking fresh and inviting.

What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

Our Men's Bible Study group is probably not fully meeting the mark but that's probably more because of its' main leader being too busy. Rather than stop it we probably need to review both it and our wider men's ministry to give it a bit of a boost.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

We are very careful not to simply take on things because of a perceived need. We are a small parish and have limited resources and so we haven't overloaded ourselves with many ministries which struggle due to overworked volunteers and lack of resources. Having said that though we recognize that although we are a gathered Parish Cobden and Runanga are the communities in which the church is placed, and we are making a real effort to connect with those communities through donations and engagement with the school and other community organisations. I feel we are appreciated and valued and that gives us something to build from.

Haere Mai – Evangelistic initiatives

Effective Living Course – Is one of the ways we are seeking to leverage our connection with the community. It's an eight-week course run by one of our folks and targeted to the community through Facebook advertising and letterbox drops. It's about life lessons learnt the hard way from a faith perspective and it starts this July. We are hoping it will build some good connections gospel wise.

Archdeacon Tim Mora

GREYMOUTH & KUMARA

In November 2024 a number of our leaders met with Spanky Moore for Wayfinder Day which led to the following 10-year vision statement.

The Greymouth and Kumara Anglican Parish longs to be a passionate, intergenerational community that radically loves and welcomes everyone just as they are. We are committed to creating a safe, authentic space where people from all walks of life can experience the healing, hope, and transformation found in Jesus. Through intentional connections, open hearts, and active discipleship we empower our people to love and serve Greymouth & Kumara, using their God-given gifts to bring His hope to our region. We aim to nurture each person's growth in faith and to carry the love of Jesus beyond our walls, as we are blessed to be a blessing to others.

From this big vision we developed four goals to be accomplished in 3 years and four goals for this first year. We are encouraged with the progress towards our goals. We have also kept in mind the 4P's of LyCiG—Prayer, Presence, Proclamation, Persuasion as we have planned our year. So...

What signs of healthy shoots have we noticed in our ministry?

- A significant increase in the number of volunteers. This has resulted in significant cost savings and many congregants feeling a healthy sense of responsibility for and ownership of the parish.
- Several Christians who have moved to Greymouth chose our parish to be their spiritual home. While this is not an increase in new believers, it is a welcome change from so many of our faithful who have left Greymouth for retirement or jobs in the last few years. Our newcomers come from a variety of ethnic backgrounds and ages. Some have joined because their background is Anglican; others have done the usual church shopping and have found that the teaching and structure of our services is what they need and appreciate.
- We have had a Kids 'n' Coffee family (mum and five children) join us since Easter and are coming regularly to our Sunday 10am service. This is exciting for us as it gives us a chance to rebuild a children and families ministry. We are praying for a person with a passion for children and families to join us. We continue to experiment with including children in our main service with "ministries" they can do and taking them out during the sermon for their own teaching time.
- An increase in the number of people willing to publicly share a testimony.
- An increased sense of being a family.
- The Ripple Effect Course has folk attending from three different churches. The participants have increased their praying for those they know who are not yet Christians and are looking for ways to have significant conversations with them.
- The Ripple Effect Course has also encouraged small group discussions led by lay people and we trust this will result in the formation of a number of new home groups in 2026 after a significant drop off after COVID and many people moving away from Greymouth.

- Successful completion of the training of our curate, the Rev Emily Holmes, culminating in her installation as the minister of Hills Community Church in Māpua.
- Matariki Remembrance Service—see Haere Mai below.

What needs pruning? What is not going well and perhaps needs to stop or change?

- We are beginning to evaluate our services in both Greymouth & Kumara with respect to meeting times, length, and shape.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into?

- One of our four goals for this year that came out of our Wayfinding Day last November was to start analyzing our community for where we can connect in new and meaningful ways. However, we also had the goal to increase our skills and confidence in relational evangelism and committed to running the Ripple Effect Course. At the time, we thought the Ripple Effect Course was 8 weeks long, but, of course, it is a yearlong course consisting of four 8-week modules. We have a strategy for approaching this task from City-to-City and have made it a top priority for 2026.

Haere Mai

We chose to center our Haere Mai effort around Matariki. Three years ago, when initially looking at the LyCiG model of church growth, vestry felt quite strongly that there was a place for us in the Matariki space (recently made a public holiday). Specifically, we felt the church had much to offer around remembering those who had died and working through grief. This year we had the opportunity to offer something of significance to the wider community.

It was the perfect project to give to Emily Holmes (our curate) as part of her training. Emily did a fantastic job building a team and working with local iwi to design a Remembrance Service for the evening before the official Matariki holiday. The service had about 50 in attendance and the feedback from both Māori and Pakeha was positive, and we were encouraged by many attendees to make it an annual event. This is our intent.

Conclusion

This last summer we had a lot of people visit us while on holiday. Some were from other parts of NZ and others were from overseas. One of the recurring comments from these visitors over morning or afternoon tea was, “You have a really healthy church.” Yes, there is more to do in our revitalization journey, but we are encouraged that outsiders see something that is good, living, and healthy. May God be praised!

Respectfully submitted,
Reverend Marge Tefft, Vicar (with consent of Vestry)

REEFTON & THE GREY VALLEY

- (l) What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

I am noticing an openness to pastoral visits from non-churched members of the community, which is encouraging, especially as some are happy for me to pray with them.

We have intentionally welcoming events happening in the church lounge on a weekly basis alongside the Op Shop. Every Tuesday while the shop is open there are tea/coffee and biscuits available and the day begins and ends with events run by folk from outside the church.

We begin with an aerobic exercise session run by Te Whatu Ora and finish the day with crochet, run by a local crochet expert.

I find these spaces often give me an opportunity to introduce gospel principles and have even been asked for prayer.

As a parish/mission unit we didn't take part in Haere Mai as a maximum five people who can be counted as (fairly) regular attendees don't make for successful programme outcomes!

- (m) What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

Our church services are poorly supported. I'm open to ideas as to how to reverse the trend.

- (n) What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

I'm sensing that more of St Stephen's (Reefton) ministry will take place in private homes during pastoral visiting, that this is the harvest field. Whether this will transform into a larger church attendance I'm not sure but I'm confident that as the church community continues to operate in the local community God will also be at work.

Hilary Ladds
Lay Minister

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GOLDEN BAY

After three years of waiting and praying, the Parish of Golden Bay was able to commission a new vicar in early February 2025. Mark and Kirsty, who have led the St Tom's on Wheels team to Golden Bay a number of times had finally agreed that God was calling them there. And so, here we are! The first six months have been full. Here are my reflections on where we are so far...

Healthy shoots and evangelistic endeavours (Haere mai)

There are signs of health and new growth in the parish. Attendance at church services in Tākaka and Collingwood has increased. While not the most significant measure of health, it is encouraging (although it does present some challenges). The evangelistic edge of our growth has mostly come from the years of connecting with the broader Golden Bay community that the Wheels team has fostered. Many of those friendships have resulted in people coming to church services in both Tākaka and Collingwood. And those people are bringing their friends. We have new Christians, spiritual seekers, and seasoned saints at most of our gatherings. People have encountered Jesus for the first time. There have been encouraging words by people who feel like they are 'coming alive,' 'coming home' and 'can't wait for Sunday to come around again.'

A few highlights in this space:

We had a combined baptism with Kahurangi Christian Church, Mamaku Grove and the Golden Bay Parish where 6 people were baptised. On Pentecost Sunday we also baptised another new believer. We have three or four other new believers who are heading toward baptism as well.

Over Pentecost weekend we joined with the rest of the churches in Golden Bay to do continuous prayer from Friday night to Sunday night. The Presbyterian church and hall were turned into a 24/7 prayer room. On Pentecost morning we shared a beautiful, combined church service in the seniors hall in Tākaka.

We invited the wider Golden Bay community to a three-day gathering called *Losing My Religion* at which we talked about how to follow Jesus. There was worship, teaching, prayer appointments, workshops and lot of shared food. A mixture of young and old, seekers and believers, as well as the Wheels team from around the country were in attendance.

Other highlights from the first six months:

- Worship and Word in the chapel on Saturday in Tākaka nights during lent
- Shrove Tuesday pancake party at the vicarage
- 6 weeks of the 24/7 Unanswered Prayer Course at the vicarage during lent
- Easter weekend services
- Beholding course (based on Strahan's book *Beholding*)
- Many Spontaneous prayer and worship times in the chapel
- The continued ministries of Tea & Talk (relational time for seniors in our community), rest home services, and our friends at Mamaku Grove,

What needs pruning (John 15:2)? Not going well: And perhaps it needs to stop or change.

I believe that we need to reap and sow at the same time during this season. The reaping has been relatively easy, but if we do not sow for the future, it will most likely be short lived.

We need a bigger team. The core group of the church who faithfully held things together for many years was losing its sustainability due to age and health. Some key people also left right before we arrived. There was a small group of people holding a lot. Welcoming new and younger people into that space will be important for the long-term health of the church. The critical mass of leadership needs to grow.

The loss of intimate gatherings due to increased attendance on Sundays has caused grief for some people. Limited time and limited capacity make creating times and spaces for small groups a challenge. This is important for people who have been here a long time. But it is also important to have more exclusive gatherings for discipleship and for growing our leaders. This will be important going forward.

What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil? New doors and opportunities that you feel the urge to step into.

Lots of opportunities for connection in the more alternative parts of the community. There is an openness to Jesus and to healthy grace-filled community.

Youth ministry: A group of people are keen to begin ministry to the youth who are attending as well as the wider community.

There is more energy for hospitality among some of our new Christians in Tākaka. To make our church a place of welcome during the week.

There is also more energy for prayer gatherings. We are currently doing Night Prayer on Monday, and Saturday morning 'watch and pray.' There is a dream of having a 24/7 prayer room at some stage.

God has been very kind and faithful to us. He is good and he is able to help us become a parish that loves him with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength and also loves our neighbour as ourselves.

Mark Johnson
Vicar

MAPUA (HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH)

GOOD NEWS

- We have a new permanent Minister from July 2025, Rev Emily Holmes.
- The spiritual vitality of the church has been maintained during the absence of a permanent full-time minister through members of the congregation stepping up to take on key roles, and Rev Ian Smith as interim Minister for one year.
- Successful community facing Eldercare programme with over half of the seniors we care for being non church members.
- Our Senior Moments meetings, part of our eldercare programme, are attended by a consistent number of seniors which demonstrates that the members find these get togethers very beneficial. Contact has been maintained with seniors who have now moved on into retirement villages and rest home care. Where possible we assist with their need for spiritual wellbeing. The eldercare coordinator has gained beneficial support through attending the regional chaplains and eldercare workers meetings.
- Growing and vibrant youth ministry was led by Shara Balogh up to the end of 2024. We saw good regular numbers, new commitments to Christ, baptisms, pastoral care and support, increasing skills and confidence, and leadership development.
- United and active congregation committed to HCC.
- A strong governance team focused on future planning and church development.
- Positive engagement with Nelson Diocese with a renewed 3-year MOU.
- We have successfully rescued our financial position with innovative lettings and fundraising, as well as increased giving. After many years running in deficit we have achieved a substantial surplus for the financial year ending 30 June 2025.
- We are in discussions about selling a property which will provide future investment for the use of ministry support.

VISION TO ACTION

- Supporting partner missions.
- CAP representative and support.
- Special missions.
- Pastoral care and community relationships.
- Developing skills and confidence in leadership and worship.
- Community carol service and ANZAC service outdoors as community events.
- Partnering with community hub and community providers to seek opportunities for joint or linked community service and recreation provision.

REFLECT GOD'S LOVE

- Hills Community Church is an outward facing community church.
- We reflect God's love through serving others and through acts of kindness and love to those in our community through our various ministries; pastoral care, missions, youth/children's ministry, and eldercare.
- We have a strong worship ministry team that aims to reflect God's love in our church services.
- We support one another as a church family.
- Pastoral care is being maintained and strengthened.
- We accommodate and support the local 'Kids n Koffee' weekly group, which is funded by Ministry of Education and involves church and non-church participants.
- Hospitality for church and wider community events.
- Youth/Children and Eldercare work supported by paid leadership and congregation.
- Use of buildings involving non-church community services and groups.

RENEWAL

- Weekly small groups and prayer groups.
- Encouragement and challenge through effective preaching and teaching.

CHALLENGES FOR HCC

- Pressure on so few to do so much has not been sustainable, but we have re-built finances and reserves and can now employ a Minister on a sustainable basis.
- To grow the church mission and encourage more young families and children to join HCC; future ministry extension will be focused on this objective.

Ian Williams
Chair, HCC Trust

MOTUEKA

The parish is in a good place and space and has been for a significant time now.

Challenges have been faced and overcome, and there is a determination to remain focused on encountering Jesus and helping others to do so too.

There is a recognition of who we serve and there is confidence that the God who blessed us yesterday and today, wants to bless us for His tomorrow and His glory.

We are Spirit filled. Everyone may consider what “Spirit filled” means in their own context and understanding, but this is mentioned in this report because this is acknowledged across this parish as who, what and why we are.

We are privileged to have two different worship spaces and two distinct pathways on a Sunday to share the Gospel, and a monthly Tuesday congregation called Messy Church. The parish has been trying to have this Tuesday fellowship acknowledged as our “Tuesday church” for many years but despite how we see these families, there seems to be no official movement at Diocesan level from them being seen as simply another program. I expect that to be rectified after this report is read.

As Vicar I have asked significant others to add their words to this report and bring their observations on this parish and how the various elements work together for the glory of God and the impact His kingdom may have in this wider community as they engage with it and with us.

Wardens:

The past 4 months has been an amazing experience for me as vicar’s warden. I have been blown away by the myriad of activity that takes place not only on a Sunday but throughout the week as well. These activities include for example pastoral care and check in with the sick and elderly, home groups, vestry and governance meetings, checking in with other churches in the community, attendance at Synod and various DIO meetings, Sunday service planning, food preparation, baking and gifting and food distribution to those not as fortunate as ourselves, morning tea groups, cleaning teams, Financial reporting and control, ground and building maintenance, health and safety checks, equipment monitoring all to name but a few

Another huge contribution by all is that when something needs to be done there is always a saint who puts their hand up

All of this could be summarised as 24/7 activity, worship and support to the Glory of God and a total commitment by all to stand by and support one’s fellow Christian at any time and more often it is at their place of need with no requirement for them to come to us.

I think some cynics could drive past the church and say “nothing going on there” but I think the above states that at any time, it is anything but that.

St Barnabas, Riwaka:

We are a committed group of around 10-15 folk who enjoy the small group vibe...others have joined us and visitors pop in for the Spirit led, and Spirit filled, bi-monthly services. Everyone loves the vibe of St B's in Riwaka.

We follow a version of the Iona service each time we gather and we don't have a sermon but chat about the readings and share our life application of them. We then pray together and we pray for one another.

We have had words of knowledge and prophesies shared that have encouraged many and recently we had a word of knowledge that resulted in a healing.

After our meeting the majority of us go for coffee and something to eat next door at Little dynamite café where we enjoy fellowship with the locals and visitors who gather there.

There is always curiosity about the "church folk" who come over for a coffee. We are very welcomed and we often have some meaningful conversations of the things of faith. Theirs and ours. This is church going out beyond our four walls.

Community Pastor:

There are two distinct ways we approach our community. Sunday.... And the rest of the week.

Sunday highlights... the 9am congregation are a rock solid, traditional, safe place of worship for the generation that see this as of great value, and this is encouraged in this parish. There is still challenge and encouragement, but a strong liturgical and structured presentation of church is seen as important and acknowledged as such. We have the privilege of having two spaces and two opportunities to present the Gospel in ways to reach those who consider worship and church in different ways.

At 10:30am there is a growing opportunity for one on one prayer - and empowering others who may have a gift or sense of calling in this area. For some time now we have had meaningful thought-provoking questions in the sermon that we get to participate in together. Testimony time not only allows people to share the goodness of God in their week but also enables us to practice sharing those good things in preparation for sharing them in our daily encounters with others. Where we share how our holiday was, or how our grandchildren are, we are learning to share how good God is too. Lately there has also been an occasional change of flow in a service when the Holy Spirit seems to be doing something different. Intentionality and pathways have been created to help new people feel connected and informed and followed up. There seems to be a more natural, connection between both congregations between the services. It may be that more people from the 10.30am service are coming a bit earlier to connect? It is beginning to seem that way.

Outside Sundays... Some people have become more aware of being the church in the wider community and some are accepting the invitation to join Jesus in different community spaces (although we are in the process of receiving more definitive feedback from the church around this). Messy church seems to be steadily increasing in numbers again and currently has a great vibe happening. I think we have an amazing group of volunteers in this church who quietly get on and do what needs to be done from cleaning toilets, to sweeping leaves, to gardening, to Messy church, to making meals for those who are unwell, popping in to visit people, praying for others... etc

Messy Church is not a program we run in the parish they are our Tuesday, once a month, congregation. They meet, they share life, they celebrate the Good News of Jesus and share a meal together. Church by any other name. For a while, years ago, our Sunday people mourned that we have no children with us on a Sunday, and that is true....but they come en-masse on a Tuesday, once a month. It took a while for the understanding that church is far bigger than an event on a Sunday morning and those that gather each Tuesday see themselves as part of us and we of them. Phillipa and Gary have a great team behind them and they have passionately delivered monthly gatherings, even throughout Covid. We had the privilege of celebrating 10 years of Messy Church in the parish, this year. And we still get over a hundred in the Summer and rarely under 50 in the winter. Strong relationships are built, good friendships are nurtured and Jesus is celebrated.

Despite being shaken and stirred by the recent CTC reports, the parish recognizes the journey started long before this scrutiny continues. A journey we have been on for many years now. Revitalisation is not a surprising wake up call to share Jesus. That has been happening with intention and authenticity for some time. We confidently walk on.

Over the past 18 months, we have been encouraged to seek revitalization and develop new ways to reach the lost, but as we talked together, we felt our recent CTC report was too Sunday-centric with too strong a denominational bias. We felt this report speaks to us more of a need to consolidate, or even a regression to an historical church culture. A culture that displays more of a comfortable club, rather than an expectation of the refreshing and reconnecting God wants, and has begun to do. A God who is encouraging us to go onto the streets and homes in this town and call on those seeking God, no matter their age, understanding or their denominational heritage.

As a parish we are also disappointed that revitalization seems to be what we should be doing now, instead of there being some recognition that it is something we have been doing for 10 years and more. Something we intend to continue to build upon, not stop and start something new.

Thank you Lord that you encouraged us to continue to follow the good works you had already begun. The winter is nearly over and the buds are forming in preparation of the fruit to come.

To God be all glory and honour. His name to be lifted up and His kingdom to be near.

Shalom

Russell Pickersgill-Brown

Vicar

RICHMOND

Holy Trinity Richmond & St Alban's Appleby

This past year has involved holding a creative and at times challenging tension: honouring the legacy of past ministry formats, while also taking intentional steps toward our future vision, seeking to be a church that is increasingly aligned with God's purposes for the next 3–5 years. The vision is *that Richmond Anglican, (both Holy Trinity and St Alban's) will become an intentionally intergenerational parish church, living and sharing the Good News of Jesus in our community, as we grow in Christlikeness as a church whānau. With:*

- *A dedication to proclaiming Jesus as Lord, and a specific focus on evangelism to younger people and families, who we want to see incorporated into every part of church life.*
- *A variety of pathways to strengthen and support existing church members and newcomers alike in growing closer to God*
- *Age appropriate, engagement with the Bible in all areas of our church life and ministries.*
- *A strong focus on pastoral care, and clear steps which help people find community and belonging in our church.*
- *A desire to serve God with acts of compassion.*

Transition is never without heartache. It often involves letting go of familiar patterns to make space for new expressions of worship and service. Under God's leading, we have begun to reposition some of our key gatherings to reflect this direction. For example, we've introduced mixed-format approaches to core events such as Christmas Eve worship, Good Friday reflections, and our 10:30am combined services. These have been designed not to replace beloved traditions, but to support and sustain the developing life of our church whānau and to position our parish for growth, as we bring the teaching of God's Word to the heart of our life together.

We are aware that change can be painful, especially when it touches on long-held rhythms and roles. Yet we are deeply thankful for the courage, prayerfulness, and unity that Vestry and the wider church have shown in walking this path. The groundwork we have laid in recent years has already helped us transition thoughtfully into new ways of gathering and worshipping, preparing us well for what lies ahead. Looking forward, we know that continued discernment will be needed as we assess and reimagine longstanding patterns and ways we have done ministry. Yet we give thanks that God has been gracious and kind to us throughout this journey. We remain committed to following His leading with humility, trusting that as we seek to walk closely with Him, He will continue to shape and guide us as a parish church for the season to come.

1. What signs of healthy shoots have you noticed in your ministry?

We give thanks to God for clear signs of life and gospel growth across several areas of ministry this past year.

We have continued to prioritise Bible teaching and prayer as the ways we expect to see the Holy Spirit bring regeneration to the people who already follow Christ as Lord in our church whānau, and the revitalisation of our fellowship as we engage intentionally in evangelism. Our church motto *Living and Sharing the Good News of Jesus* holds these two priorities: for growth deeper into Jesus and evangelism together.

In Advent 2024 and early-January 2025 we embraced a themed series 'Consider Christ' exploring Jesus' identity and work, including titles like Christ Our Lifegiver and Christ Our Founder. As we worked through passages in Isaiah, Hebrews, Ephesians and 2 Corinthians this series was designed to centre the church on Jesus and present him to non-Christians who had attended evangelistic services during Advent/Christmas at the outset of the year.

Two of our key outreach ministries; Friends and Fun (our preschool music and movement programme) and Lunch on the Hill (a meal and fellowship ministry to seniors), have experienced noticeable growth in participation and depth. What encourages us most is that Jesus has been brought increasingly to the centre of these ministries. Parents, caregivers, and seniors are not only being welcomed and served, but are engaging more in conversations around faith, prayer, and belonging. These ministries have created natural spaces where the good news of Jesus is shared and lived out by our church members who are engaging with our community.

Home groups have also shown signs of strength, with several groups deepening their commitment and showing active engagement with Scripture. We've noticed that as people feel more confident in applying the Bible to their lives, their faith becomes more integrated with everyday living and witness. These are critical culture changes if we will see revitalisation.

Over the past year, St Alban's has experienced encouraging growth in both numbers and relationship, marking its strongest regular attendance since the 1970s. This has been an unintended yet deeply positive outcome of Holy Trinity's decision to move to New Zealand Prayer Book (NZPB) services fortnightly rather than weekly. As a result, around a dozen members of Holy Trinity have become regular participants at St Alban's, strengthening the bond between the two congregations within the Richmond parish. This closer connection has also opened up fresh opportunities for Student Ministers and lay people to lead and preach, enriching the worshiping life of the church. Alongside this, a more intentional preaching plan has been developed, aimed at spiritually nourishing the St Alban's congregation. The fruit of these efforts is evident in the growing faith and love among the people, in keeping with the prayer of Paul in Colossians 1:4 "because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people."

Our AAW (Association of Anglican Women) has long played a formative role in the life of the parish. This year, due to some health-related changes, the afternoon group transitioned from its traditional format into a friendship-focused gathering, opening space for relational ministry with less pressure and greater flexibility. This adaptive step reflects a healthy response to changing circumstances and a desire to continue building community even among our older age group.

Our online services continue to play an important role in connecting with members of our wider church whānau who are unable to attend in person due to health, travel, or personal reasons. We're regularly encouraged by feedback from online participants who feel seen, connected, and spiritually nourished through this digital expression of church. We ensure we still visit and connect relationally with these parishioners and try as best we might to administer both word and sacrament.

Over the past year, reinvigorating prayer ministry has been a key focus across the life of our parish. We began by visiting every home group to listen and learn how best to support prayer in our church whānau. From those conversations, we developed monthly prayer resources designed to help individuals and groups pray more intentionally and in unity with the wider church. We have also implemented a system to ensure that every parishioner is prayed for by name each month, expressing our commitment to caring for one another spiritually. At our 10:30am service, trained and rostered prayer ministers are now available every week to pray confidentially with those seeking encouragement, healing, or support. In addition, we've begun opening Holy Trinity on Mondays for community prayer, with volunteers present to welcome and pray with anyone who comes. These small but significant steps have deepened our dependence on God and helped embed prayer more fully into the heartbeat of our parish life.

Lastly, our senior's worker has been actively building relationships with local rest homes, extending pastoral care, prayer, and connection to residents. These engagements have encouraged not only the residents and staff but also us as a Vestry, reminding us of the value of faithful presence and the ongoing work of the gospel in every stage of life as we trust God's work among us to help us become a truly intergenerational parish church.

2. What needs pruning (John 15:2)?

One ministry area that has not flourished as hoped is our hospitality-based Sunday Lunch initiative. Initially, there was a strong level of interest, and the idea of shared meals between parish households created excitement. However, over time this energy has diminished, and participation has decreased significantly. While these lunches continue in a limited capacity, especially through the generous hospitality of Zane and Karen Elliott, it has become evident that without wider parish ownership and momentum, the model needs to be reviewed.

Interestingly, we've noticed an organic increase in people lingering for morning tea after our 10:30am service, with deeper, more frequent conversations occurring. This may indicate that our community prefers informal, low-barrier opportunities for connection rather than structured events. This feedback helps us reimagine hospitality not as a fixed event, but as a culture that permeates our shared life, something we hope to encourage more intentionally in the future.

Another area we recognise as needing pruning is the administrative load placed on the Senior Minister. Responsibilities such as health and safety management, coordinating building maintenance, and ongoing compliance reporting, while necessary for the good governance of parish life, absorb a disproportionate amount of time and energy. This often comes at the cost of engaging more deeply in pastoral care, leadership development, and evangelistic ministry. We are reminded by Paul's charge in 2 Timothy 4:2 to *"preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage with great patience and careful instruction."* This passage serves as a clarifying call to prioritise the core work of gospel proclamation and spiritual leadership. We believe that discerning ways to share or delegate administrative tasks more effectively is not just a matter of efficiency, but of faithfulness to the calling of ordained ministry, especially in a time of revitalisation.

3. What's the invitation to plant new seeds in good soil?

As we've listened to our community and reflected on opportunities, two new ministry ideas have emerged as compelling and timely:

1. A cooking class for families: focused on budget-friendly, healthy, and delicious meals. With the cost of living rising and many households feeling financial pressure, this ministry could meet a real need. We are blessed with the facilities to host such a programme and believe it would provide both practical support and a relational bridge to the wider community. The next step will be identifying someone with the passion and skillset to lead this initiative.
2. An afterschool club: leveraging our proximity to the primary school directly across the road from Holy Trinity. While we connect with the school through events like Pyjama Christmas and Neighbourhood Christmas, these are seasonal. We sense a greater opportunity to offer a regular space of welcome, activity, and faith formation for local children. Leadership is again key here, and we'd need to identify, and support a leader. We believe this seed has real potential to grow into a significant new expression of ministry, and could even be a partnership in our Deanery, or between other churches.

4. Celebrating Gospel Growth: Our Evangelistic Efforts as part of Haere Mai.

This past year, we have deliberately increased our focus on evangelism, recognising that if we are to realise our parish vision, to become an intentionally intergenerational church, living and sharing the Good News of Jesus in our community, then we must create intentional pathways for people to encounter Christ.

In response to the Diocesan initiative *Haere Mai, Jesus matters, come and see*, which arose from a Synod motion last year, we launched Hope Explored as our primary evangelistic effort. This three-week course introduces participants to the Christian faith by exploring the themes of hope, peace, and purpose, grounded in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

To prepare for prioritising evangelism several home groups completed the "Learn the Gospel" course. This six-point gospel summary equips participants to identify everyday conversational "on ramps" to the gospel and helps Christians build confidence in sharing the Good News in natural, relational ways.

We've already seen how this has shaped conversations within and beyond the church and given parishioners a practical framework to talk about Jesus.

Here is a reflection from one of our parishioners on using Learn the Gospel by Tony Payne, and available from Matthias Media:

'As someone who is naturally introverted and often anxious about sharing my faith, I've usually found gospel conversations difficult to initiate, especially when the topic comes up unexpectedly or in emotionally sensitive situations. But recently, I had a conversation with a colleague while we were in the car together that reminded me how powerful it is to have a simple, clear gospel framework to fall back on. My colleague began opening up about a painful experience in a church that had taught false things and left them hurt and confused. In the past, I might have felt overwhelmed or unsure how to respond but using Learn the Gospel by Tony Payne helped me to gently enter into the conversation, not as an expert, but as someone pointing to Jesus.

The following framework is explained, and taught in the study, and each point is paired with a helpful Bible verse.

1. God is the Creator: God is the loving ruler of the world, who made everything and everyone. Because He created us, we belong to Him and are called to live under His authority. **Revelation 4:11** – *"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."*
2. Our Rebellion: We all reject God's rule and try to live life our own way. This rebellion is called sin, and it leads to brokenness in our relationship with God and His world. **Romans 3:10-12** *"There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God. All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one."*
3. God's Justice: Because God is just, He will not let our rebellion go unpunished. His judgment means we are under the penalty of death and separation from him. **Hebrews 9:27** *"Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment."*
4. Jesus' Substitution: Out of love, God sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross in our place. By taking our punishment, Jesus offers forgiveness and brings us back to God. **1 Peter 3:18** – *"For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God."*

5. Jesus' Resurrection: Jesus did not stay dead but rose again as the ruler of the world. His resurrection shows He has defeated sin and death and offers new life to all who trust Him. **Acts 17:31** – *"For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."*
6. Two Ways to Live: We can continue to live our own way and face judgment and death or turn back to God by trusting Jesus as our Saviour and Lord. Choosing Jesus brings forgiveness, life, and hope. **John 3:36** – *"Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them."*

This framework with the associated scripture and talking points taught me a structure that helped me stay grounded. I didn't have to come up with the "perfect words" on the spot. Instead, I could walk through the gospel clearly, keeping the focus on Jesus rather than getting stuck in debates or people's feelings about the church.

What stood out to my colleague was the idea that Jesus is different from the people who hurt them— that He offers truth, grace, and a new way to live. Since that first conversation, we've gone on to talk more deeply about faith, religion, and what a real relationship with God looks like. This has been both encouraging and challenging for me, but also a reminder that God can use even small, quiet moments to do His work.

Having Learn the Gospel as a framework hasn't made me a bold evangelist overnight, but it has helped me feel more prepared and less anxious about speaking up. It's given me a way to clearly explain the good news in a way that's not forced, but natural. Even for someone like me who often prefers listening over speaking. I'm thankful for tools like this that help equip ordinary Christians like me to share Christ in everyday moments.'

This precursor to Hope Explored, was intended to build our confidence in the gospel of the Lord Jesus, and to remind us that he is all sufficient. This should raise the temperature of our personal evangelism as we are reminded that it's not our clever words, not our skill as presenters, or our ability to answer people's questions which will see them come to saving faith; it is the gospel of the Lord Jesus, taking root in hearts as the Holy Spirit enables it.

This have been valuable in building our confidence I the gospel so that when we engage in ordinary everyday conversations we can be alert to how the deeper issues which impact our lives connect to the story of the Good News of Jesus, and then we can prayerfully create an 'on ramp' or link to a key part of the gospel message. Through engaging with Learn the Gospel we've actively boosted our confidence in the gospel, so that we can start to share it where God has placed us with non-Christians, places like the Hope Explored course.

We decided to launch Hope Explored, a three-week course which helps us to see that real hope is what the Christian faith claims to offer: a joyful expectation for the future, based on true events in the past, which changes everything about my present.

After the first evening session of Hope Explored a parishioner shared their first impressions:

"Without giving the game away, what a great first place to start, grounding the journey in such a simple but meaningful way. I am very glad I chose to participate as I can already sense the way these sessions will help shape my capacity to share with others. Jesse, with clearly a few of these sessions under his belt, delivered a Masterclass in small group facilitation - and seemed so at ease and confident - it was contagious. I'm really looking forward to the next sessions"

We weren't disappointed. As we tackled the themes of hope, peace and purpose were were grounded in the teaching of the Bible, in a really accessible way, supported by great video content, and outstanding facilitation by Jesse Behan and Oli Preston, students at Bishopdale Theological College, and Student Ministers in our parish.

Reflecting on the evening group another parishioner shared that;

"Something I was reminded of is that while some non believers can find hope in certain things in the world, others simply have no hope. They reject the hope this world offers because it has been unfulfilling or futile in the past. This is a dark place to be in, but thankfully Jesus knows this and calls himself the light to anyone who should look toward him.

I think Hope Explored is definitely aimed at non-believers who are brought along by a Christian friend. The content is for non-believers, but it is vital for them to talk it through with a friend of theirs who is a Christian so they can ask questions and continue to have conversations about it after the course.

Hope Explored helped me grow in my faith by giving a safe place to have Christ guided conversations with unbelievers, to practice being an ambassador for Christ. I liked the safe opportunity to put my faith into action to grow the kingdom of God."

We also had a group meeting before Lunch on the Hill, a fortnight community meal our church hosts. This was lead by Sarah Geiger our Senior's Ministry Enabler. She did a great job of presenting the course material in a really grounded way. This group was much smaller, and the real benefit of the day time group was being able to spend longer in discussion.

One of the exciting comments I heard from the day time group was;

"I've always believed in God, and known he was there. Hope Explored reminded me that God wants a personal relationship with us. He cares about me and my life."

Through Hope Explored we were reminded that in a world which seems like it is out of control, we can lean on our hope in Jesus which gives us true peace, and that we have a wonderful, real, and life changing message to share with others who don't yet know Jesus. Not only that, but believing that message about our future, means that every part of our lives right now are affected. We have a purpose, a reason to live, which supersedes the here and now.

What a wonderful hope, what a wonderful Saviour!

Through this initiative, we saw new conversations about Jesus emerge, existing believers strengthened in their confidence, and some who were taking God for granted reawakened to the hope of the gospel.

Hope Explored and Learn the gospel were not only courses, but a catalyst, deepening our passion to be a church that introduces others to Christ.

Conclusion

We are grateful to God for His faithfulness in this season, nurturing new life, prompting wise pruning, and stirring our hearts to plant new seeds. Richmond Parish is far from perfect, but we are learning to listen, respond, and act with courage. As we continue to pursue our vision of being an intergenerational, gospel-shaped church, we pray that all we do will bring glory to God and bear lasting fruit in our community.

The Vestry of Richmond Parish
Holy Trinity Richmond & St Alban's Appleby

WAIMEA

Introduction

Any report for the year to 30 June 2025 must first start by noting that the Vicar took five weeks leave for burnout from the end of March and then only returned part-time for the remainder of the period. He then indicated his intention to resign in late June, with an effective date to be decided. This produced some hesitation in parish ministries for the last quarter of the year. Specific comment is made where appropriate below.

Healthy Shoots

Near the end of 2023, the parish adopted a new structure in accord with a new vision for the parish:

Who we are: a network of missional communities.

Our big prayer: a missional community for every neighbourhood/affinity group in our parish and beyond, where every person from every walk of life has opportunity to experience, hear, respond and grow in the good news of Jesus.

This reflected where evangelistic efforts were focussed in the parish: in groups outside the “conventional” congregations in the parish. As part of the move to a network around a hub, each of these congregations was cast as one of the missional communities in the network. Already existing groups, such as the Senior Care ministry, were also recast as missional communities.

The effect intended by this change can best be seen by thinking of an activity like Messy Church. Conventionally, a group would be appointed from within a congregation to run the programme on behalf of the congregation. In the new model it becomes a group, associated with the parish, who gather to do mission together using Messy Church as their missional tool. This is intended to focus the group on mission and it allows the groups to include people from outside the parish.

Growth has resulted from this change. When it was first mooted, there were 7 missional communities associated with the parish. By February 2025 there were 14, ranging from the St Paul’s morning congregation to the newest Discovery Bible Study group with 3-4 members.

The other aspect of growth experienced is in seeing people come to faith in Jesus and take the step of baptism. Following the previous year’s 7 baptisms, there were a further 6 in the year coming out of the less conventional missional communities.

Specific Groups

Kai with Love was a programme which provided free food for the community at a gathering where there was opportunity for a chat over a sausage and tea and coffee. It was more than a foodbank and showed fruit in new commitments to Jesus. The parish was an agent delivering the food on behalf of another ministry which eventually shut down. Initially, we replaced it with a programme called Hapori Fruit and Veg Box which did not prove fruitful in the same way at all. Consequently, it was ended and replaced during the year with our home-grown programme we call Parish Pantry. This has been run monthly on the same lines as Kai with Love – it would look no different to the community. It has proven successful, with good community response and we are hopeful of the ministry growing and bearing fruit.

Pruning

Nothing has been noted for pruning as yet, although there is at least one candidate, Messy Church. This started well, initially being run with Sunday Live so that one Sunday a month was Messy Church at Sunday Live. On the basis that this upset the rhythm of Sunday Live, it was shifted to a Friday evening with an initial poor response. It has been put on indefinite hold following the Vicar's leave as a measure to reduce the load on those running things. As to restarting, it still needs consideration of its timing.

There will likely be other things, but they will need to be addressed as the future following the Vicar's resignation is assessed. The possibility that some of the missional communities may be compromised without the support currently provided by the Vicar is a real one.

Planting New Seeds

It is not possible to give any specific answers to this in view of the Vicar's resignation and our current focus on what we believe the Lord is saying about what the future holds. We are confident that new opportunities exist and will present themselves, but think that this will be in the context of decisions made about the future without the current Vicar.

Haere Mai

When considering the Haere Mai challenge against the current parish ministries in late 2024, we decided that the parish was doing well in its evangelistic efforts. Accordingly, it was not felt that any extra programme needed to be instituted to meet the challenge. Our ministries were already showing fruit and we expected more in the coming year. Indeed, there were two further baptisms after that decision (included in the 6 noted above.)

The challenge was noted again in early 2025, but that coincided with the appearance of burnout in the Vicar and so no further action was taken.

WAKEFIELD AND DISTRICTS

A Season of Growth and Grace

Over the past year, we have witnessed God's hand at work in our parish in powerful and life-giving ways. From the growth in children's ministry to deeper community engagement, we give thanks for what the Lord is doing in Wakefield and beyond.

Children's Ministry: New Life and New Families

We have been especially blessed to see the rebirth of our Sunday children's ministry. What began as simple in-service children's activities has grown into a vibrant program with 10–12 children attending regularly. A structured roster is now in place, and new families are becoming part of our church whānau through the 10:30am service and Alpha. This marks a new chapter in our journey—one where we are actively seeking how to shape our worship life to better include and nurture young families.

At St John's, our faithful 9:00am congregation continues to meet monthly, offering a quiet but meaningful rhythm of worship.

Leadership and Ministry Formation

We are deeply thankful for Michael Johnston's ministry among us. As he studies at Bishopdale Theological College and serves in Wakefield, we see the fruit of his growth in both spiritual maturity and leadership. His connection with the community has been a true gift. Lauren Johnston has also stepped up with grace and strength, particularly in leading Mainly Music. We are also grateful to Phil Greenwood for his steady hand in guiding the parish as a whole.

Mainly Music: Reaching Young Families

Mainly Music has continued to be one of our most effective outreach ministries. Term 1 began with record numbers. While attendance dipped slightly during winter, Term 3 has already seen a bounce-back in engagement. We celebrate Lauren Johnston's leadership and the joy and connection this ministry brings to young mums, dads, and children in our community.

Alpha Course: Community, Conversation, and Christ

Alpha was a spiritual highlight of the year. Co-led by Phil and MJ, the course ran for six weeks and regularly gathered 30 people—children included. Each session offered dinner, teaching, and meaningful discussion. It was a space where God’s Spirit moved freely, and many experienced deep connection and curiosity about faith. This ministry has built bridges to people both new and returning to faith, and we are hopeful that a home group will grow out of these relationships.

Community Events: Building Belonging

Our Mid-Winter Christmas celebration brought more than 60 people together—many of whom had never been to our church before. There was laughter, food, music, and new friendships formed. One couple who had never set foot in a church raved about the evening. These joyful occasions are helping build bridges between the church and the community. Plans are already underway for a Christmas BBQ and carol event at Faulkner’s Bush in December.

Responding to Crisis: A Church of Compassion

The recent flooding deeply impacted our congregation and wider community. Over 25% of our members suffered property damage—one family for the third time in four years. We grieved the tragic loss of Peter Lines, whose funeral was attended by over 500 people, including local mayors and Civil Defence personnel.

As the Civil Defence Centre, our church opened its doors to NZDF, council staff, and local families needing shelter. We thank Jenny and David Allnut for their tireless work coordinating support with grace and compassion.

This crisis also revealed a challenge: some locals do not yet see the church as a central place of community life. We are prayerfully seeking ways to become a more visible and welcoming presence.

Extending Care to Tapawera and Murchison

Tapawera, too, felt the brunt of the floods. We are continuing to send food parcels to the school and planning further support as they reopen. In Murchison, the op shop continues to be both a community hub and a source of practical help. The congregation there meets regularly and is a faithful witness in their town.

Seeds of Faith: Housing, Prayer, and Pastoral Care

We celebrated alongside three new families who moved into homes built in partnership with Habitat for Humanity. Our own Valerie and Ewan have championed this work for years. The blessing of these homes by Harvey Ruru and MJ was a moment of joy and hope.

Our fortnightly prayer meeting has become a vital part of our spiritual life. A faithful group from St John's and other churches gathers to pray for Wakefield, seeking God's guidance and interceding for our community.

We also continue to serve through our monthly lunch gatherings and visits to the Wakefield Rest Home, where MJ now leads a monthly service. Nikky, our eldercare worker, continues to support these pastoral ministries with warmth and compassion.

Looking Ahead: A Church in Motion

We are humbled and encouraged by the growth we've seen—but we also recognise the need for more volunteers to sustain this momentum. The recovery from the floods continues, and we desire to be at the heart of that recovery—not just in logistics, but as a source of love, light, and peace.

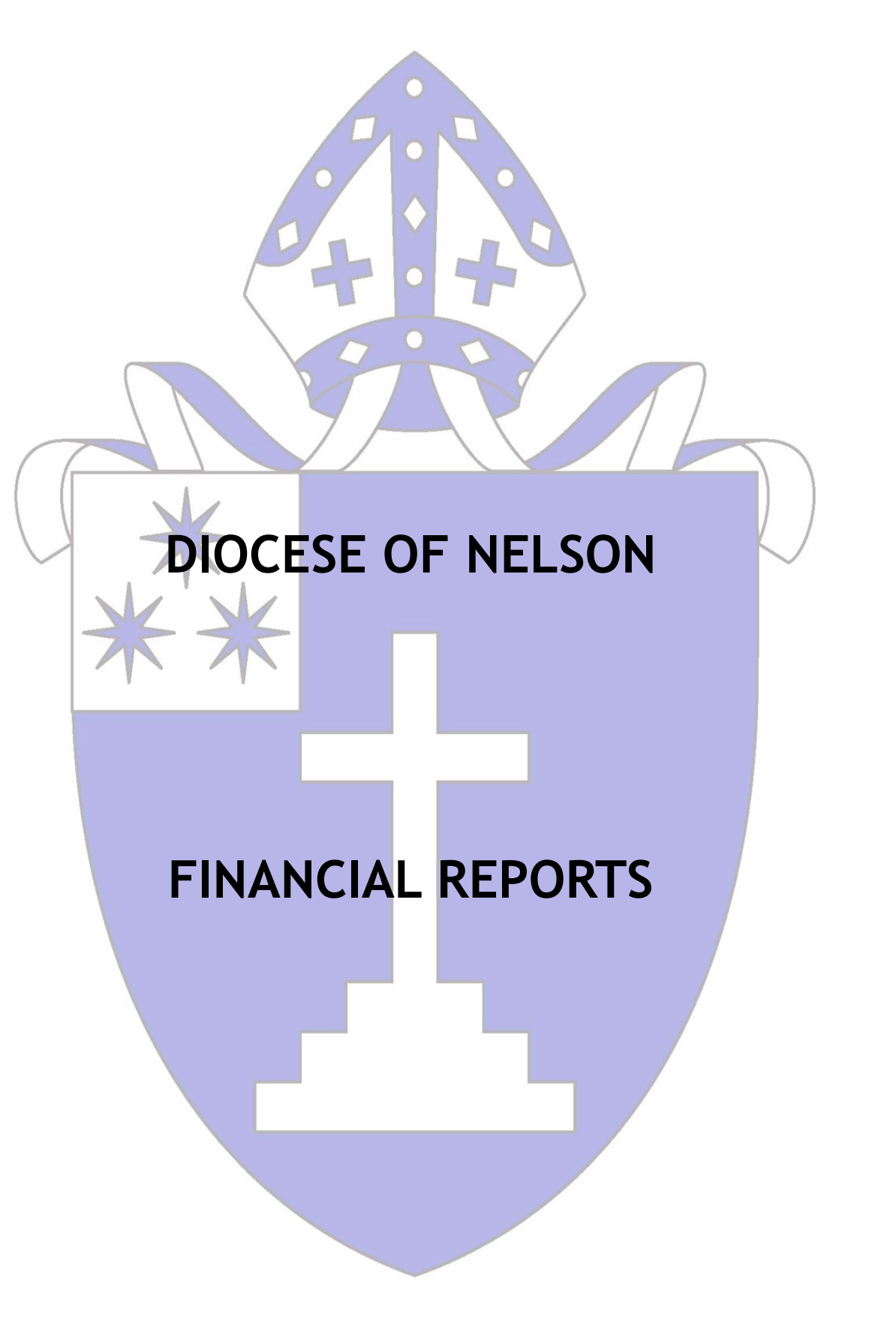
We serve a faithful God who is at work in our midst. We are praying and acting in faith, trusting that He who began a good work among us will bring it to completion.

"Let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we will reap a harvest, if we do not give up."

— Galatians 6:9

With grateful hearts,
Wakefield and Districts Parish

SECTION FOUR – FINANCIAL REPORTS





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(The Anglican Church in Aotearoa,
New Zealand and Polynesia)

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SUSTENTATION FUND

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

Sustentation Account

In accordance with Section 8 of the Sustentation Fund Act, the following report is presented:

Statement of Movements in Parish Ministry Debt
For the Year ended 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
<u>Income and Receipts</u>		
Parish Contributions	2,248,384	2,172,199
Trust Income - Stipend Trusts	41,738	20,828
- Vehicle Trusts	12,369	15,259
- Other Trusts	106,621	73,152
Population and Development Grants	206,965	216,097
Assistants Under Training Grants	74,322	15,892
Elder Care Grants	288,608	266,970
Total Income	<u>2,979,007</u>	<u>2,780,397</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Stipends, Salaries, Wages	2,157,192	2,002,808
Pensions	90,879	91,861
Allowances	28,798	28,422
Mileage Allowances	39,830	41,897
Housing Allowances	95,076	101,175
Accident & Sickness Insurance	34,886	31,747
Diocesan Funds (Assessments)	123,202	121,700
Removal Costs	0	0
Insurance Premiums (net)	407,776	350,015
Parish Reserve Funds	0	0
Total Expenditure	<u>2,977,640</u>	<u>2,769,625</u>
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>1,366</u>	<u>10,772</u>
Opening Balance	(22,713)	(33,485)
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	1,366	10,772
Closing Balance	<u>(21,347)</u>	<u>(22,713)</u>
<u>Parish Quota Balances</u>		
Parish Quota Debtors	21,751	23,767
Parish Quota Creditors	(405)	(1,054)
Net Parish Quota as per statement of Financial Position	<u>21,346</u>	<u>22,713</u>

CALL AND PERMANENT TRUSTS

Trust No	Orgn	Account Name	Opening Balance	Interest	Deposits	Withdrawal	Closing Balance
810009	Diocese	Development Fund	200,919	9,438	-	-	210,357
811009	Diocese	TTRC Funds	7,715	362	-	-	8,078
812009	Diocese	Training Fund	82,471	2,220	-	84,175	516
813009	Diocese	Mae & Betty Sherratt Ch. Trt	59,380	3,615	24,960	-	87,955
814009	Diocese	Bishopdale Chapel Fund	7,959	374	-	-	8,332
814089	Diocese	Cath. Fabric Repair - Dean Trt	586,100	28,050	43,611	8,963	648,798
815009	Diocese	Emerging Leaders- Clgy Fund	-	3,660	100,000	23,264	80,397
823009	Diocese	Property Maint. Reserve	192,823	8,456	-	34,686	166,593
824009	Diocese	Income Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
828009	Diocese	Godwin Charitable Trust	15,865	593	1,800	7,117	11,140
844009	Diocese	Bishopdale College	-	-	-	-	-
858009	Diocese	Companion Diocese Fund	24,231	1,033	-	3,174	22,090
867009	Diocese	Estate EJ Dobson - Archives	2,147	101	-	-	2,248
868009	Diocese	Estate A Mead	314,195	14,760	-	-	328,954
871009	Diocese	Seamens Mission Chapl. Fd	9,607	451	-	-	10,058
876009	Diocese	Anglican Care Trust	12,725	598	-	-	13,323
Diocese Total			1,516,135	73,712	170,371	161,380	1,598,838
802029	All Saints	All Saints All Purpose Fd	-	-	-	-	-
804029	All Saints	All Saints Loaves & Fishes	42,707	1,836	-	8,920	35,623
805029	All Saints	Doug Tibble Organ Tuition	4,421	142	-	2,400	2,163
820029	All Saints	M Tibble Youth Work Trust	87,024	3,250	-	37,000	53,273
All Saints Total			134,151	5,228	-	48,320	91,059
803049	Atawhai	Atawhai Vicarage Amenities	-	-	-	-	-
811049	Atawhai	General Purpose Trust	57,593	2,077	-	36,750	22,920
812049	Atawhai	General Purpose Trust No. 2	13,062	672	2,496	-	16,231
816049	Atawhai	St Johns Hira Building Fund	6,418	335	1,163	286	7,630
Atawhai Total			77,074	3,085	3,659	37,036	46,782
802059	Awatere	Awatere Maintenance Fund	26,788	1,060	2,400	18,000	12,248
804059	Awatere	Awatere General Fund	239,488	10,822	-	20,001	230,309
811059	Awatere	Kekerengu Church Account	38,780	1,822	-	-	40,602
814059	Awatere	Sale Clifford St Section	4,715	221	-	-	4,936
821059	Awatere	St Andrews Church Trt	16,045	747	1,027	2,300	15,519
822059	Awatere	Awatere Parish Nurse Fund	11,082	524	201	-	11,807
Awatere Total			336,897	15,197	3,627	40,301	315,421
802069	Blenheim	Blenheim Building Maint.	86,355	3,944	1,795	5,901	86,193
811069	Blenheim	Blenheim General Purpose Fd	348,034	10,604	70,000	201,955	226,684
820069	Blenheim	Nativity Development Trust	-	-	-	-	-
826069	Blenheim	White Homes	76,402	1,027	-	77,137	292
827069	Blenheim	White Windows	54,866	2,577	-	-	57,443
829069	Blenheim	B Bruce Bequest	-	-	-	-	-
830069	Blenheim	Mogridge Trust	-	-	-	-	-
831069	Blenheim	K N Reardon Bequest	-	-	-	-	-
832069	Blenheim	Nativity Courts Maintenance	4,382	180	-	4,500	62
833069	Blenheim	Nativity Kids	44,827	2,370	7,141	-	54,338
834069	Blenheim	Nativity Bldg. Redev. Call Trust	90,672	1,336	-	91,592	416
837069	Blenheim	Blen Fundraising Committee	23,863	745	-	24,580	28
Blenheim Total			729,402	22,784	78,935	405,665	425,456

804079	Cathedral	Cathedral General Fund	68,128	4,763	100,000	47,340	125,551
805079	Cathedral	Cathedral Specific Trust Fnds	8,457	259	10,600	17,024	2,292
823079	Cathedral	Nile St Rent Account	26	1	40,608	40,608	27
828079	Cathedral	Insurance Liability Trust	41,673	1,620	6,000	30,825	18,468
834079	Cathedral	Deanery Trust - Vicarage	94,623	4,648	37,611	8,858	128,025
844079	Cathedral	Memorial Garden Reserve	450	21	-	-	471
845079	Cathedral	Cathedral RM Williams Trust	493,164	22,152	-	105,623	409,693
846079	Cathedral	Cathedral EQ Strength. Fund	27,233	8,020	43,490	-	278,743
Cathedral Total			733,754	41,483	438,310	250,277	963,269
804099	Cobden	Cobden/Runanga Specific Fnds	67,014	3,843	31,678	8,142	94,394
Cobden Total			67,014	3,843	31,678	8,142	94,394
803109	Golden Bay	G/ Bay Vicarage Amenities	93	4	-	-	98
811109	Golden Bay	G/Bay Building Maint.	478	22	-	-	500
812109	Golden Bay	Estate KJ Riley	60	5	138	-	204
813109	Golden Bay	Estate AM Lindsay	74	3	-	-	77
815109	Golden Bay	Collingwood Church Fund	687	32	-	-	719
819109	Golden Bay	General Reserve Fund	151,778	8,297	40,000	-	200,075
820109	Golden Bay	Ives	86	4	-	-	90
823109	Golden Bay	Esme Wright (G/Bay) Bequest	54	3	-	-	57
825109	Golden Bay	Thomas Theol. Literature Trst	75	4	-	-	79
Golden Bay Total			153,387	8,375	40,138	-	201,900
801119	Buller	Youth/Children Ministry Fd	36,181	1,691	-	4,500	33,372
802119	Buller	Buller Building Maintenance	38,657	1,050	22,208	49,177	12,739
803119	Buller	Buller Vicarage Amenities	1,318	90	1,200	-	2,608
804119	Buller	Buller Music Fund	1,803	76	-	313	1,565
806119	Buller	Vicars Discretionary Fund	734	34	-	-	768
807119	Buller	Granity - St Peter's Past. Care	9,186	427	1,200	1,200	9,613
808119	Buller	Vicars Discretionary Fund	4	0	-	-	4
Buller Total			87,883	3,368	24,608	55,190	60,670
803129	Greymouth	Kumara Repairs & Maint. Fnd	2,837	128	-	278	2,687
820129	Greymouth	Choir Trust	2,408	113	-	-	2,522
822129	Greymouth	Holy Trinity Term Deposits	133,425	6,407	113,014	140,638	112,207
Greymouth Total			138,670	6,648	113,014	140,916	117,415
802139	Havelock	Havelock Building Maintenance	4,118	196	120	-	4,434
803139	Havelock	Havelock Vicarage Amenities	1,179	56	30	-	1,265
811139	Havelock	Crail Bay Trees Endowment	5,748	270	-	-	6,018
812139	Havelock	Youth Ministries Endowment	5,213	245	-	-	5,458
815139	Havelock	St Mark's Building Fund	774	36	-	-	810
817139	Havelock	St Lukes Building Maintenance	1,755	82	-	-	1,838
818139	Havelock	Havelock General-purpose Fnd	52,954	3,430	23,000	-	79,385
Havelock Total			71,742	4,316	23,150	-	99,208
802149	Kaikoura	Kaikoura Blding Maintenance	6,312	311	600	-	7,222
811149	Kaikoura	Kaikoura General Purpose Fd	3,402	160	-	-	3,562
813149	Kaikoura	Clarence Bridge Chapel Fund	4,449	209	-	-	4,658
816149	Kaikoura	MacDonald A Bequest	3,708	174	-	-	3,882
817149	Kaikoura	Stipend Provision Account	53,433	1,924	14,910	33,710	36,557
Kaikoura Total			71,304	2,777	15,510	33,710	55,881

815159	Motueka	Motueka Vicarage Maintenance	99	9	350	-	459
816159	Motueka	St Thomas' General Purpose	74	3	-	-	78
818159	Motueka	Vicar's Discretionary Account	213	10	-	-	223
822159	Motueka	Margaret Ruth Thomas Bequest	28	1	-	-	30
823159	Motueka	Youth Fund	36	2	-	-	38
824159	Motueka	St Thomas Preservation & Maint	105	10	350	-	465
826159	Motueka	Motueka Technology Fund	-	6	1,100	-	1,106
827159	Motueka	Motueka Missions Fund	-	44	2,640	1,500	1,184
825159	Motueka	Vincent Roy Morley Bequest	3,255	153	-	-	3,408
Motueka Total			3,811	239	4,440	1,500	6,990
802189	Picton	Picton Building Fund	5,571	273	480	-	6,324
812189	Picton	Picton Foodbank	11,902	66	1,238	13,205	-
814189	Picton	Koromiko Ladies Guild	6,914	325	-	-	7,239
815189	Picton	Koromiko Church Fund	21,520	1,011	-	-	22,530
818189	Picton	Picton Fundraising Account	2,926	137	-	-	3,063
819189	Picton	Parish Nurse/Pastoral Care Trst	3,801	179	-	-	3,980
820189	Picton	Holy Trinity Organ Fund	3,349	157	-	-	3,506
822189	Picton	Vicars Discretionary Fund	50	2	-	-	52
825189	Picton	Presentational Equipment Fund	92	4	-	-	97
Picton Total			56,124	2,154	1,718	13,205	46,791
803199	Reefton	Reefton Vicarage Amenities	106	5	-	-	110
804199	Reefton	Gavin Nalder Memorial Trust	2,237	105	-	-	2,343
805199	Reefton	Reefton Specific Funds Trust	4,295	211	348	-	4,854
811199	Reefton	Reefton Building Maintenance	1,027	48	-	-	1,075
815199	Reefton	Organ Repair Fund	2,125	100	-	-	2,224
818199	Reefton	Reefton Fundraising Account	533	25	-	-	559
Reefton Total			10,323	494	348	-	11,165
802209	Richmond	Richmond Building Maintenance	11,156	941	10,300	-	22,397
807209	Richmond	Appleby Building Maintenance	6,837	321	-	-	7,158
814209	Richmond	Richmond Building Fund	22,200	1,176	8,322	-	31,698
820209	Richmond	General Purpose Fund	125,954	6,427	20,730	-	153,111
823209	Richmond	Estate AV Simpson	4,210	198	-	-	4,408
824209	Richmond	Estate MA Challies	6,291	296	-	-	6,586
826209	Richmond	Richmond - Student Ministry Fund	-	410	10,000	-	10,410
825209	Richmond	Family & Children Ministry	10,527	447	-	8,230	2,744
Richmond Total			187,175	10,215	49,352	8,230	238,512
802219	Spring Creek	Spring Creek Bldg Maintenance	5,274	262	600	-	6,136
811219	Spring Creek	Spring Creek Reserve Fund	38,132	2,153	20,600	-	60,884
Spring Creek Total			43,406	2,414	21,200	-	67,020
838229	Stoke	Stoke Specific Trust Funds	54,173	2,895	26,365	-	83,433
Stoke Total			54,173	2,895	26,365	-	83,433
802239	Tahunanui	Tahunanui Building Maintenance	226	11	-	-	237
811239	Tahunanui	Tahunanui General Purpose Fund	1,259	59	-	-	1,318
814239	Tahunanui	Children' Worker Fund	9,893	276	-	7,500	2,669
818239	Tahunanui	Youth Music Fund	1,120	53	-	-	1,172
819239	Tahunanui	Leadership Education Fund	651	31	-	-	681
820239	Tahunanui	Vicar and Wardens Discretionary Fund	965	45	-	-	1,010
821239	Tahunanui	Tahunanui Fundraising Trust	6,271	70	-	5,000	1,341
822239	Tahunanui	Tahunanui Staff Allowances Fund	1,922	90	-	-	2,013
823239	Tahunanui	Vege Stall Funds	-	-	-	-	-
Tahunanui Total			22,307	634	-	12,500	10,441

802249	Waimea	Waimea Building Maintenance	14,709	864	30,000	-	45,573
803249	Waimea	Waimea Vicarage Amenities	3,317	156	-	-	3,473
807249	Waimea	Waimea Allocated Funds	43,106	2,025	-	-	45,131
811249	Waimea	Waimea West Temporary Trust	24,393	1,146	-	-	25,539
813249	Waimea	Waimea Parish General Funds	77,375	2,948	5,792	45,829	40,286
814249	Waimea	St Michaels Church Maint.	179,520	7,295	1,158	69,796	118,178
825249	Waimea	St Pauls Cemetery Maintenance	58,965	2,851	3,480	-	65,296
Waimea Total			401,386	17,284	40,430	115,625	343,474
802259	Wairau Valley	Wairau Building Maintenance	11,371	568	1,800	4,129	9,611
803259	Wairau Valley	Wairau Valley Vicarage Amenits	3,366	215	3,700	2,500	4,781
804259	Wairau Valley	Wairau Valley Specific Funds	3,315	160	2,500	-	5,975
812259	Wairau Valley	Renwick Mission Develop. Fd	1,171	55	-	-	1,226
Wairau Valley Total			19,223	999	8,000	6,629	21,593
802269	Wakefield	Tapawera Building Maintenance	19,827	931	-	-	20,759
803269	Wakefield	Wakefield Vicarage Amenities	288	14	-	-	302
811269	Wakefield	Murchison Vicarage Fund	1,461	69	-	-	1,530
Wakefield Total			21,577	1,014	-	-	22,590
801299	Blenheim Sth	AW Mapp Sunday School	2,526	119	-	-	2,645
802299	Blenheim Sth	Blenheim Sth Bldg Maintenance	5,092	239	-	-	5,331
803299	Blenheim Sth	Blenheim Sth Bldg Fund	-	-	-	-	-
811299	Blenheim Sth	General Reserve	122,474	6,229	45,000	20,000	153,702
815299	Blenheim Sth	Darcy Christopher Foundation	313	15	-	-	328
821299	Blenheim Sth	The Ron Bell Memorial Trust Fd	-	-	-	-	-
822299	Blenheim Sth	Elaine Hadfield Memorial Fund	3,812	4,407	-	-	98,219
Blenheim Sth Total			224,217	11,008	45,000	20,000	260,225
812309	Victory	Victory Property Fund	504	24	-	-	528
813309	Victory	Victory Building Maintenance Fund	3,822	251	4,200	2,332	5,941
815309	Victory	Victory General Purpose Fund	2,849	45	3,837	4,000	2,731
822309	Victory	Victory Children & Families Ministry F	-	121	16,500	7,429	9,192
821309	Victory	Victory Parish Tithe Account	2,367	83	-	2,400	50
Victory Total			9,542	524	24,537	16,160	18,443
802319	Mapua	Mapua Building Maintenance	24,429	1,148	-	-	25,576
Mapua Total			24,429	1,148	-	-	25,576
823509	Dio	Utterson-Kelso Bequest	30,230	1,666	11,545	-	43,441
Diocese Total			30,230	1,666	11,545	-	43,441
810569	BTC	BTC Call Funds	39,994	4,162	596,000	544,000	96,156
BTC Total			39,994	4,162	596,000	544,000	96,156
801579	Seafarers	Port Nelson Mission To Seafarers	7,785	276	4,000	4,800	7,261
Seafarers Total			7,785	276	4,000	4,800	7,261
702709	Night Shelter	Night shelter Trustees	-	-	-	-	-
703709	Night Shelter	Night shelter Committee	-	-	-	-	-
704709	Night Shelter	Night shelter Committee Leave Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Night Shelter Total			-	-	-	-	-

Grand Total	5,273,113	247,942	1,775,935	1,923,587	5,373,404
Parishes	3,654,539	166,980	994,019	1,213,406	3,602,132
Diocese	1,546,366	75,377	181,916	161,380	1,642,279
BTC	39,994	4,162	596,000	544,000	96,156
Total Group Trusts	5,240,899	246,519	1,771,935	1,918,787	5,340,566
Mapua	24,429	1,148	-	-	25,576
Port Mission to Seafarers	7,785	276	4,000	4,800	7,261
Non Group Trusts	32,214	1,424	4,000	4,800	32,838
Total Call Trusts	5,273,113	247,942	1,775,935	1,923,587	5,373,404

NELSON DIOCESAN TRUST BOARD CALL TRUST MOVEMENTS for the year ended 31 December 2024

Trust No	Organ.	Account Name	Opening Balance	Interest	Deposits	Withdrawal	Closing Balance	
916007	Diocese	Capital	Anglican Care Marlborough	12,191	-	50	-	12,241
916008	Diocese	Income	Anglican Care Marlborough - Income	2,602	670	-	-	3,272
908007	Diocese	Capital	Archdeaconry Fund	16,932		69	-	17,002
908008	Diocese	Income	Archdeaconry Fund	0	745	-	745	0
903007	Diocese	Capital	Bishopric Endowment Fund	1,037,199	-	20,343	-	1,057,542
903008	Diocese	Income	Bishopric Endowment Fund	711	45,666	-	45,637	741
953007	Diocese	Capital	Deanery Trust	622,827	-	2,541	-	625,368
953008	Diocese	Income	Deanery Trust - Income	387	28,527	51,913	80,554	501
911007	Diocese	Capital	Diocese General Endowment Fund	1,318,366	-	5,379	-	1,323,745
911008	Diocese	Income	Diocese General Endowment Fund	1	58,008	-	58,008	1
957007	Diocese	Capital	Diocesan Acc/Sick End. Fund	136,308	-	556	-	136,864
957008	Diocese	Income	Diocesan Acc/Sick End. Fd -Inc	33,848	7,716	-	-	41,564
968007	Diocese	Capital	Diocesan Clergy Educational Tr	203,745	-	831	-	204,576
968008	Diocese	Income	Diocesan Clergy Educational Tr	8,404	9,551	-	-	17,955
956007	Diocese	Capital	Diocesan Fire Insurance Act Fd	405,429	-	1,654	-	407,083
956008	Diocese	Income	Diocesan Fire Insurance Act Fd	3,274	17,947	5	18,650	2,576
913007	Diocese	Capital	Diocesan Ministry Housing Fund	328,099	-	1,339	-	329,438
913008	Diocese	Income	Diocesan Ministry Housing Fund -Income	1	14,436	-	14,436	1
909007	Diocese	Capital	Diocesan Removal Fund	384,161	-	1,567	-	385,729
909008	Diocese	Income	Diocesan Removal Fund - Income	89,169	21,417	-	18,655	91,930
960007	Diocese	Capital	Diocesan Trust	8,521,877	-	34,771	-	8,556,648
960008	Diocese	Income	Diocesan Trust - Income	9	374,963	23,252	398,215	8
980007	Diocese	Capital	Endres Estate Trust	184,889	-	3,615	-	188,504
980008	Diocese	Income	Endres Estate Trust Income	67,760	11,441	-	5,710	73,491
904007	Diocese	Capital	Episcopal International Travel (Lambeth)	65,284	-	266	-	65,551
904008	Diocese	Income	Episcopal International Travel (Lambeth)	31,371	4,408	-	-	35,778
917007	Diocese	Capital	Esme Wright Bequest	806,583	-	3,291	-	809,874
917008	Diocese	Income	Esme Wright Bequest - Income	-	239	35,729	-	35,490
906007	Diocese	Capital	FCM Diocesan School Trust	2,569,527	-	10,484	-	2,580,011
906008	Diocese	Income	FCM Diocesan School Trt - Inc	3	113,059	-	113,059	3
907007	Diocese	Capital	FCM Mission Trust	95,081	-	388	-	95,469
907008	Diocese	Income	FCM Mission Trust - Income	74,717	7,630	-	4,125	78,222
923007	Diocese	Capital	FCM Sunday School	14,050	-	57	-	14,107
923008	Diocese	Income	FCM Sunday School - Income	12,843	1,210	-	1,209	12,843
921007	Diocese	Capital	FCM Van & Boat Fund	31,395	-	128	-	31,523
921008	Diocese	Income	FCM Van & Boat Fund - Income	18,502	2,280	-	-	20,782
967007	Diocese	Capital	Fitchett IE Chapter Mem. Fund	19,024	-	78	-	19,102
967008	Diocese	Income	Fitchett IE Ch/Mem Fd - Income	15,684	1,592	-	-	17,276
900007	Diocese	Capital	General Purposes Funds	9,309,809	-	37,986	-	9,347,795
900008	Diocese	Income	General Purposes Funds Inc	10	409,632	24,204	433,836	9
978007	Diocese	Capital	Graham Marlborough Deanery Fnd	75,677	-	309	-	75,986
978008	Diocese	Income	Marlborough Deanery Income	39,304	5,213	3,500	3,500	44,516
918007	Diocese	Capital	Hobhouse Trust	1,012,914	-	4,133	-	1,017,047
918008	Diocese	Income	Hobhouse Trust - Income	1	44,568	-	44,568	1
996007	Diocese	Capital	Home Mission Endowment Fund	484,411	-	3,091	-	487,502
996008	Diocese	Income	Home Mission Endowment Fund	20,937	22,284	-	21,363	21,858
901537	Diocese	Capital	Hospital Chaplain Endowment	447,802	-	1,827	-	449,629
901538	Diocese	Income	Hospital Chaplain Endowment	77,428	23,391	-	16,080	84,739
912007	Diocese	Capital	Isel Property	670,717	-	2,737	-	673,454
912008	Diocese	Income	Isel Property Income	192,042	38,877	230	12,370	218,779
927007	Diocese	Capital	John & Hazel Baigent Trust	585,507	-	2,389	-	587,896
927008	Diocese	Income	John & Hazel Baigent Trust	337,895	41,586	650	37,020	343,111
955200	Diocese	Capital	Land Trust Funds	950,000	-	-	-	950,000
959007	Diocese	Capital	Mission Committee Expenses End	6,858	-	28	-	6,886
959008	Diocese	Income	Mission Committee Exps Income	6,057	593	-	-	6,649
914007	Diocese	Capital	Motueka School Acre	1,338,475	-	5,461	-	1,343,936
914008	Diocese	Income	Motueka School Acre Trt - Inc	1	58,893	-	58,893	1
915007	Diocese	Capital	Older Persons Ministry Fund	5,176,727	-	21,122	-	5,197,849
915008	Diocese	Income	Older Persons Ministry Fund Income	419,187	245,373	-	326,780	337,781
998007	Diocese	Capital	Sabbatical Leave Fund	397,132	-	1,620	-	398,752
998008	Diocese	Income	Sabbatical Leave Fund	139,383	20,689	-	100,000	60,073
958007	Diocese	Capital	The Witness Trust	12,033	-	49	-	12,082
958008	Diocese	Income	The Witness Trust	0	529	-	529	0
920007	Diocese	Capital	Theological Tutorship Fund	148,878	-	607	-	149,486
920008	Diocese	Income	Theological Tutorship Fund	0	6,551	-	6,551	-
913517	Diocese	Capital	Whakarewa Trust for Social Svc	1,544,100	-	6,300	-	1,550,400
913518	Diocese	Income	Whakarewa Trust for Social Svc	168,937	75,592	-	78,675	165,855
901507	Diocese	Capital	Whareama Endowment Bequests	3,538,668	-	14,439	-	3,553,107
901508	Diocese	Income	Whareama Endowment Bequests	1,043,671	206,592	9,639	71,011	1,188,892
902007	Diocese	Capital	Youthwork Endowment Trusts	295,588	-	1,206	-	296,794
902008	Diocese	Income	Youthwork Endowment Trusts	0	13,006	-	13,006	0
Diocese Total			45,571,388	1,970,363	304,108	2,018,673	45,827,186	

Trust No	Orgn	Account Name	Opening Balance	Interest	Deposits	Withdrawal	Closing Balance
901027	All Saints	Capital All Saints General Endowment	724,719	-	2,957	-	727,676
901028	All Saints	Income All Saints General Endowment	77,468	35,704	-	21,600	91,571
904027	All Saints	Capital All Saints Sunday School Endmt	8,092	-	33	-	8,125
904028	All Saints	Income All Saints Sunday School Endmt	11,615	909	-	-	12,524
917027	All Saints	Capital Esme Wright (All Saints) Bequest	77,890	-	318	-	78,208
917028	All Saints	Income Esme Wright (All Saints) Bequest - Incom	9,874	3,964	-	-	13,838
916027	All Saints	Capital JE & MI Mills General Endowmnt	27,500	-	112	-	27,612
916028	All Saints	Income JE & MI Mills Trust	33,831	2,646	-	8,000	28,478
912027	All Saints	Capital Tibble Organ Mtce Endowment	31,390	-	128	-	31,518
912028	All Saints	Income Tibble Organ Mtce Endowment	29,925	2,800	-	967	31,759
919027	All Saints	Capital All Saints Property Maintenance Fund	155,360	-	6,634	-	161,994
919028	All Saints	Income All Saints Property Maintenance Fund - In	28,423	8,451	-	-	36,874
All Saints Total			1,216,087	54,474	10,182	30,567	1,250,176
999047	Atawhai	Capital Atawhai General Endowment Fund	27,631	-	113	-	27,743
999048	Atawhai	Income Atawhai General Endowment Fund	1,026	1,238	-	1,960	304
903047	Atawhai	Capital Estate KM Dodson	155,780	-	636	-	156,415
903048	Atawhai	Income Estate KM Dodson	38,125	8,791	-	-	46,916
Atawhai Total			222,561	10,029	748	1,960	231,379
901057	Awatere	Capital Altimarlock Cemetery Endowment	13,259	-	54	-	13,313
901058	Awatere	Income Altimarlock Cemetery - Income	4,690	816	-	-	5,506
902057	Awatere	Capital Awatere General Endowment Trst	112,791	-	460	-	113,251
902058	Awatere	Income Awatere General Endowment Fund	10,761	5,477	-	3,980	12,257
Awatere Total			141,501	6,293	514	3,980	144,328
999067	Blenheim	Capital Blenheim Car Fund - Capital	-	-	-	-	-
999068	Blenheim	Income Blenheim Car Fund - Income	-	-	-	-	-
901067	Blenheim	Capital Blenheim General Endowment	315,224	-	1,286	-	316,510
901068	Blenheim	Income Blenheim General Endowment	57,764	14,908	-	61,716	10,956
909067	Blenheim	Capital Blenheim Owner Occupier Lnd Fd	-	-	-	-	-
909068	Blenheim	Income Blenheim Owner Occupier Inc Fd	-	-	-	-	-
908067	Blenheim	Capital JR Baldwin Bequest	20,244	-	83	-	20,327
908068	Blenheim	Income JR Baldwin Bequest Income	5,088	924	-	5,000	1,012
905067	Blenheim	Capital McKenzie Maintenance Endowment	6,398	-	26	-	6,424
905068	Blenheim	Income McKenzie Maintenance Endowmen	4,488	498	-	-	4,987
Blenheim Total			409,206	16,330	1,395	66,716	360,215
999297	Blen Sth	Capital Blenheim South General Endowmnt	43,762	-	179	-	43,941
999298	Blen Sth	Income Blenheim South General Endwmnt	5,767	2,201	-	1,596	6,372
Blenheim Sth Total			49,530	2,201	179	1,596	50,313
905117	Buller	Capital Buller General Endowment	237,740	-	970	-	238,710
905118	Buller	Income Buller General Endowment	15,420	11,031	-	13,828	12,623
903117	Buller	Capital Granity Karamea Repair Endowmnt	23,913	-	98	-	24,011
903118	Buller	Income Granity Karamea Repair Endwmnt	15,773	1,451	1,200	8,866	9,558
904117	Buller	Capital WC Staples Bequest	159,386	-	650	-	160,036
904118	Buller	Income WC Staples Bequest	2,888	7,408	5,000	5,441	9,855
Buller Total			455,121	19,891	7,918	28,136	454,794
901077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Choir Fund	9,438	-	39	-	9,476
901078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Choir Fund	8,182	809	-	-	8,990
902077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Emergency Relief End	520	-	2	-	522
902078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Em/Relief End - Incm	600	52	-	-	652
903077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral General Endowment	7,140	-	29	-	7,169
903078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral General Endowment	2,168	423	-	-	2,591
999077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Motor Vehicle Fund	47,347	-	193	-	47,540
999078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Motor Vehicle Fund	3,784	2,279	-	2,349	3,714
915077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Music Trust	36,768	-	150	-	36,918
915078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Music Trust - Income	8,976	1,829	-	8,905	1,900
904077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Organ Mnt Trust	4,550	-	19	-	4,569
904078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Organ Mnt Trt - Incm	381	222	-	-	603
912077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Property Fund	179,357	-	732	-	180,088
912078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Property	16,726	8,748	-	4,469	21,006
905077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Repair Fund	7,748	-	32	-	7,779
905078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Repair Fund Income	906	391	-	-	1,296
908077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral W/Ins Fund Trust	2,723	-	11	-	2,734
908078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral W/Ins Fd Trust - Inc	1,210	179	-	-	1,389
907077	Cathedral	Capital Cathedral Y/Fship End Fund Cap	5,488	-	22	-	5,510
907078	Cathedral	Income Cathedral Y/Fship End Fd - Cap	6,881	570	-	-	7,451
914077	Cathedral	Capital Estate ME Mollison	56,865	-	232	-	57,097
914078	Cathedral	Income Estate ME Mollison	17,663	3,385	-	-	21,048
916077	Cathedral	Capital Estate NG Shea	544,521	-	2,222	-	546,742
916078	Cathedral	Income Estate NG Shea Income	27,802	24,967	-	50,367	2,402
911077	Cathedral	Capital Frank & Jean Grear Mem. Trust	43,246	-	176	-	43,422
911078	Cathedral	Income F&J Grear Memorial Trust - Inc	6,914	2,268	-	-	9,182
909077	Cathedral	Capital FCM Curate Fund	81,518	-	333	-	81,850

909078	Cathedral	Income	FCM Curate Trust - Income	10,082	4,137	-	-	14,219
913077	Cathedral	Capital	Linda Leah Herbert Cathedral	674,101	-	2,750	-	676,851
913078	Cathedral	Income	Linda Leah Herbert Cath . Trust	34,357	31,215	-	40,190	25,382
917077	Cathedral	Capital	The Rainey Bequest	20,536	-	84	-	20,620
917078	Cathedral	Income	The Rainey Bequest - Income	5,158	1,019	-	5,284	893
910077	Cathedral	Capital	Tomlinson Memorial Trust	1,403	-	6	-	1,409
910078	Cathedral	Income	Tomlinson Memorial Trust	461	71	-	483	49
Cathedral Total				1,875,516	82,564	7,031	112,046	1,853,064
901097	Cobden	Capital	Cobden General Endowment	38,669	-	158	-	38,827
901098	Cobden	Income	Cobden General Endowment	-	1,678	30,000	31,678	-
Cobden Total				38,669	1,678	30,158	31,678	38,827
902107	Golden Bay	Capital	G Bay General Endowment	153,189	-	625	-	153,815
902108	Golden Bay	Income	G Bay General Endowment	12,665	7,479	-	-	20,144
906107	Golden Bay	Capital	G Bay Housing Fund	67,124	-	274	-	67,397
906108	Golden Bay	Income	G Bay Housing Fund	18,438	3,883	-	-	22,320
901107	Golden Bay	Capital	Page Church Epiphany R&M Trt	46,338	-	189	-	46,527
901108	Golden Bay	Income	Page Church Epiphany R&M Trt	28,553	3,424	-	-	31,977
Golden Bay Total				326,307	14,785	1,088	-	342,180
902127	Greymouth	Capital	Greymouth General Endowment	761	-	3	-	764
902128	Greymouth	Income	Greymouth General Endowment	943	78	-	-	1,021
904127	Greymouth	Capital	Greymouth Sunday School Endmt	766	-	3	-	769
904128	Greymouth	Income	Greymouth Sunday School Endmt	1,475	104	-	-	1,579
901127	Greymouth	Capital	Hopkinson Organ Maint. Trust	639	-	3	-	642
901128	Greymouth	Income	Hopkinson Organ Mtce Trust	2,164	130	-	-	2,294
Greymouth Total				6,748	313	9	-	7,070
905137	Havelock	Capital	Canvastown Church Sale Fund	120,709	-	493	-	121,201
905138	Havelock	Income	Canvastown Church Sale Fund	4,518	5,542	-	4,080	5,981
901137	Havelock	Capital	Havelock General Endowment	199,186	-	813	-	199,999
901138	Havelock	Income	Havelock General Endowment	59,806	11,761	-	-	71,566
908137	Havelock	Capital	Heatly/Dalton St Pauls End Fnd	15,522	-	63	-	15,586
908138	Havelock	Income	Heatly/Dalton St Pauls End Fnd	10,290	1,181	-	-	11,471
907137	Havelock	Capital	Mary Parr St Peters End Fund	14,348	-	59	-	14,407
907138	Havelock	Income	Mary Parr St Peters End Fund	15,582	1,377	-	-	16,958
909137	Havelock	Capital	Woodman Endowment Fund	10,956	-	45	-	11,001
909138	Havelock	Income	Woodman Endowment Fund	7,615	850	-	-	8,465
Havelock Total				458,533	20,711	1,472	4,080	476,636
907147	Kaikoura	Capital	Hitchcock Organ Mtce Trust	33,344	-	136	-	33,480
907148	Kaikoura	Income	Hitchcock Organ Mtce Trust	27,856	2,807	-	-	30,663
905147	Kaikoura	Capital	John Boyd Anglican Youth Tst	11,338	-	46	-	11,384
905148	Kaikoura	Income	John Boyd Anglican Youth Tst	17,669	1,340	-	-	19,009
901147	Kaikoura	Capital	Kaikoura General Endowment	195,092	-	796	-	195,888
901148	Kaikoura	Income	Kaikoura General Endowment	14,044	9,260	-	7,200	16,104
902147	Kaikoura	Capital	Kowhai Cemetery Endowment	8,554	-	35	-	8,589
902148	Kaikoura	Income	Kowhai Cemetery Endowment	3,945	564	-	600	3,909
Kaikoura Total				311,843	13,970	1,013	7,800	319,027
999317	Mapua	Capital	Mapua General Endowment Tst	16,816	-	69	-	16,885
999318	Mapua	Income	Mapua General Endowment Tst	4,238	938	-	631	4,546
Mapua Total				21,055	938	69	631	21,431
902157	Motueka	Capital	Brereton E.G. Trust Capital	3,702	-	15	-	3,717
902158	Motueka	Income	Brereton E.G. Trust Income	3,650	338	-	-	3,988
904157	Motueka	Capital	Eric and Peg Richardson Trust	21,523	-	88	-	21,610
904158	Motueka	Income	Eric and Peg Richardson Trust Inc	8,878	1,384	-	-	10,262
901157	Motueka	Capital	Motueka General Endowment	35,439	-	145	-	35,583
901158	Motueka	Income	Motueka General Endowment	624	1,664	1,800	-	4,088
903157	Motueka	Capital	St James Maintenance Edmt	12,347	-	50	-	12,397
903158	Motueka	Income	St James Church Res Fund	11,502	1,095	-	-	12,597
Motueka Total				97,665	4,481	2,098	-	104,244
905187	Picton	Capital	Dart Holy Trinity Repair Fund	2,559	-	10	-	2,569
905188	Picton	Income	Dart Holy Trinity Repair Fund	1,580	189	-	-	1,769
901187	Picton	Capital	Picton General Endowment Tst	154,247	-	629	-	154,877
901188	Picton	Income	Picton General Endowment Tst	8,587	7,212	-	5,350	10,449
Picton Total				166,974	7,401	640	5,350	169,664
901197	Reefton	Capital	Reefton General Endowment	698,619	-	2,712	-	701,331
901198	Reefton	Income	Reefton General Endowment	35,475	31,553	20,000	19,800	67,227
Reefton Total				734,094	31,553	22,712	19,800	768,559

901207	Richmond	Capital	Appleby Church Fund	12,797	-	52	-	12,850
901208	Richmond	Income	Appleby Church Fund - Income	17,861	1,414	-	-	19,276
902207	Richmond	Capital	St Albans Cemetery Maintenance	21,779	-	89	-	21,868
902208	Richmond	Income	St Albans Cemetery Maintenance	17,221	1,788	-	-	19,008
903207	Richmond	Capital	Hepburn Holy Trinity Mtce	6,398	-	26	-	6,424
903208	Richmond	Income	Hepburn Holy Trinity Maintenan	6,321	584	-	-	6,906
904207	Richmond	Capital	Richmond General Endowment	14,103	-	58	-	14,161
904208	Richmond	Income	Richmond General Endowment	22,737	1,702	-	-	24,439
906207	Richmond	Capital	Newport Missions Trust	37,255	-	152	-	37,407
906208	Richmond	Income	Newport Missions Trust	1,183	1,693	-	1,560	1,316
Richmond Total				157,656	7,182	377	1,560	163,654
903217	Spring Creek	Capital	Holy Trinity Burial Grd Endmt	16,491	-	67	-	16,559
903218	Spring Creek	Income	Holy Trinity B Grd Income	15,803	1,484	-	-	17,287
901217	Spring Creek	Capital	Spring Creek General Endowment	230,459	-	940	-	231,400
901218	Spring Creek	Income	Spring Creek General Endowment	67,100	13,509	-	-	80,609
Spring Creek Total				329,854	14,992	1,008	-	345,854
901227	Stoke	Capital	Stoke General Endowment	73,228	-	299	-	73,526
901228	Stoke	Income	Stoke General Endowment	3,471	3,394	-	2,600	4,265
903227	Stoke	Capital	Stoke Graveyard Endowment	2,684	-	11	-	2,695
903228	Stoke	Income	Stoke Churchyard Endowment	3,228	272	-	-	3,501
Stoke Total				82,611	3,666	310	2,600	83,987
901237	Tahunanui	Capital	Bell Sunday School Endowment	3,838	-	16	-	3,854
901238	Tahunanui	Income	Bell Sunday School Endowment	1,339	235	-	-	1,574
917237	Tahunanui	Capital	Esme Wright (St Stephens) Bequest	77,890	-	318	-	78,208
917238	Tahunanui	Income	Esme Wright (St Stephens) Bequest - Inc	2,919	3,571	-	2,880	3,609
918237	Tahunanui	Capital	JL McCrea Bequest	21,578	-	88	-	21,666
918238	Tahunanui	Income	JL McCrea Bequest - Income	996	999	-	766	1,229
902237	Tahunanui	Capital	Tahunanui General Endmt Trust	39,304	-	160	-	39,464
902238	Tahunanui	Income	Tahunanui General Endowmnt Trt	9,545	2,215	-	-	11,759
Tahunanui Total				157,409	7,019	582	3,646	161,364
903307	Victory	Capital	Victory Building Maintenance Trust	15,314	-	62	-	15,376
903308	Victory	Income	Victory Building Maintenance Trust - Inc	3,621	858	-	-	4,479
902307	Victory	Capital	Victory General Endowment	3,012	-	12	-	3,024
902308	Victory	Income	Victory General Endowment - Income	1,416	190	-	1,000	606
904307	Victory	Capital	Victory Young Persons Trust	8,092	-	33	-	8,125
904308	Victory	Income	Victory Young Persons Trust - Income	25,798	1,431	10,000	15,772	21,457
Victory Total				57,252	2,479	10,108	16,772	53,067
910247	Waimea	Capital	Bryant St Pauls Mtce Endowment	42,024	-	171	-	42,196
910248	Waimea	Income	St Pauls Maintenance Income	-	1,889	-	1,889	-
905247	Waimea	Capital	St Michaels Grounds Endowment	41,323	-	169	-	41,492
905248	Waimea	Income	St Michaels Grounds - Income	44,645	3,954	-	-	48,599
901247	Waimea	Capital	St Pauls Gounds Mtce Endowment	101,984	-	416	-	102,400
901248	Waimea	Income	St Pauls Grounds Mtce Endowmnt	-	4,503	-	4,503	-
902247	Waimea	Capital	Waimea General Endowment Trust	425,302	-	1,735	-	427,038
902248	Waimea	Income	Waimea General Endowment Trust	28,090	20,276	-	11,738	36,628
Waimea Total				683,369	30,622	2,492	18,130	698,353
901257	Wairau	Capital	Bell - Graves Endowment	14,443	-	59	-	14,502
901258	Wairau	Income	Bell Sir Graves, - Income	10,525	1,143	-	-	11,668
903257	Wairau	Capital	Samson Good Shepherd Furn Trus	24,104	-	98	-	24,202
903258	Wairau	Income	Samson Good Shepherd Income	25,487	2,216	-	2,588	25,114
907257	Wairau	Capital	Tyntesfield Cemetery Endowment	8,345	-	34	-	8,379
907258	Wairau	Income	Tyntesfield Trust - Income	364	392	-	-	757
908257	Wairau	Capital	Wairau Valley Cemetery Endowmt	2,166	-	9	-	2,175
908258	Wairau	Income	Wairau Valley Cemetery Fund	4,444	306	-	-	4,750
902257	Wairau	Capital	Wairau Valley General Endowmnt	123,909	-	506	-	124,415
902258	Wairau	Income	Wairau Valley General Endowmnt	1,719	5,649	-	-	7,368
Wairau Total				215,505	9,707	706	2,588	223,329
903267	Wakefield	Capital	Children/Youth Endowment Trust	5,734	-	23	-	5,757
903268	Wakefield	Income	Children/Youth Endowment Trust	1,815	338	-	216	1,937
904267	Wakefield	Capital	Foxhill Church Sale Fund	186,862	-	762	-	187,625
904268	Wakefield	Income	Foxhill Church Sale Fund - Income	8,377	8,638	-	6,600	10,415
917267	Wakefield	Capital	Murchison General Endowment Trust	29,654	-	121	-	29,775
917268	Wakefield	Income	M General Endowment Trust - Inc	1,375	1,373	-	1,020	1,728
907267	Wakefield	Capital	St Georges Cemetery Endowment	10,267	-	42	-	10,308
907268	Wakefield	Income	St Georges Cemetery Endmnt - Inc	12,637	1,055	-	-	13,692
902267	Wakefield	Capital	St Johns Heritage Endowment	84,145	-	343	-	84,489
902268	Wakefield	Income	St Johns Heritage Endowment	8,616	4,204	2,000	2,400	12,421
905267	Wakefield	Capital	Tapawera General Endowment	669,626	-	2,732	-	672,358
905268	Wakefield	Income	Tapawera General Endowment - Inc	91,259	33,622	-	25,000	99,881
901267	Wakefield	Capital	Wakefield General Endowment	226,153	-	923	-	227,076
901268	Wakefield	Income	Wakefield General Endowment	9,217	10,414	-	7,800	11,832
Wakefield Total				1,345,737	59,645	6,947	43,036	1,369,293

900567	BTC	Capital	BTC Trust Funds	569,268	-	4,043	1,020	572,291
900568	BTC	Income	BTC Trust Funds - Income	2,486	25,062	2,215	28,795	968
901567	BTC	Capital	BTC Scholarship Trust Fund	1,248	-	5	-	1,253
901568	BTC	Income	BTC Scholarship Trust Fund - Inc	1,053	106	-	-	1,158
BTC Total				574,055	25,168	6,263	29,815	575,670
914527	St Andrews	Capital	St Andrews General Bequests	1,037,354	-	4,233	226,740	814,846
914528	St Andrews	Income	St Andrews General Trust	97,549	46,314	12,750	38,089	118,524
St Andrews Total				1,134,902	46,314	16,983	264,829	933,370
901007	Other	Capital	Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu	85,513	-	349	-	85,862
901008	Other	Income	Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu	53,214	6,343	-	-	59,556
905007	Other	Capital	Mary C Foster-Barham Fund	1,178,844	-	4,810	-	1,183,654
905008	Other	Income	Mary C Foster-Barham Fund - Inc	96,458	56,677	-	47,086	106,049
901587	Other	Capital	Bishop of Nelson Trust - Capital	9,971	-	41	-	10,012
901588	Other	Income	Bishop of Nelson Trust - Income	9,562	956	3,000	500	13,018
Other Total				1,433,562	63,975	8,200	47,586	1,458,151
Grand Total				58,274,707	2,528,744	445,307	2,763,575	58,485,182
GROUP								
Parishes				9,539,745	421,985	109,685	402,041	9,669,374
Diocese				45,571,388	1,970,363	304,108	2,018,673	45,827,186
BTC				574,055	25,168	6,263	29,815	575,670
Other				1,433,562	63,975	8,200	47,586	1,458,151
Total Group Trusts				57,118,750	2,481,491	428,255	2,498,115	57,530,381
NON GROUP								
St Andrews				1,134,902	46,314	16,983	264,829	933,370
Other				1,433,562	63,975	8,200	47,586	1,458,151
Mapua				21,055	938	69	631	21,431
Total Non Group Trusts				2,589,519	111,228	25,251	313,046	2,412,952
CAPITAL								
Capital	Dio			42,768,264	-	190,714	-	42,958,977
Capital	Parish			8,289,580	-	39,685	-	8,329,264
Capital	BTC			570,516	-	4,048	1,020	573,544
Capital	Other			-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Group Trusts				51,628,359	-	234,446	1,020	51,861,785
Capital	Non -Group			2,328,498	-	9,501	226,740	2,111,258
Total Capital				53,956,857	-	243,947	227,760	53,973,043
INCOME								
Income	Dio			2,803,125	1,970,363	113,394	2,018,673	2,868,208
Income	Parish			1,250,166	421,985	70,000	402,041	1,340,109
Income	BTC			3,539	25,168	2,215	28,795	2,127
Income	Other			-	-	-	-	-
Total Income Group Trusts				4,056,829	2,417,516	185,609	2,449,510	4,210,444
Income	Non -Group			261,021	111,228	15,750	86,305	301,694
Total Income				4,317,850	2,528,744	201,359	2,535,815	4,512,138
Grand Total				58,274,707	2,528,744	445,307	2,763,575	58,485,182

BISHOPDALE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**The Bishopdale Theological College Trust****Performance Report****For the year ended
31 December 2024****Contents**

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The Bishopdale Theological College Trust**Entity Information****"Who are we?", "Why do we exist?" For the year ended****31 December 2023**

Legal Name of Entity:	The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
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Type of Entity and Legal Basis (if any):	Charitable Trust and Registered Charity
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Registration Number:	CC23883
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Entity's Purpose or Mission:
The teaching of theology within an evangelical ethos to leaders and future leaders of the Anglican Church and other church communities.

Entity Structure:
Management and control of the Trust and the full control of all income and expenditure, and assets of the Trust is vested in the Trust Board.

Main Sources of the Entity's Cash and Resources:
The Trust's main sources of income are:
- Student fee income - Donations - Trust income - Grant and training income from the Diocese of Nelson - Exterior grant funding

Main Methods Used by the Entity to Raise Funds:
The Trust receives donation income from its supporters which has continued since the Colleges inception. The College also applies for grants from appropriate bodies.

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:
The Trust receives volunteer help. The volunteers include the Trustees on the Trust Board as well as volunteers who assist with the operations of the College.

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The Bishopdale Theological College Trust**Statement of Service Performance****"What did we do?", When did we do it?"****For the year ended****31 December 2024****Description of the Entity's Outcomes:**

Bishopdale Theological College provides theological and leadership training through the provision of courses in Nelson towards the following qualifications awarded by Laidlaw College:

- New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies (Christian Leadership and Biblical Studies tracks, at level 6)
- Bachelor of Theology
- Graduate Certificate in Theology
- Graduate Diploma in Theology

The College also provides its own theological and leadership qualifications

	Actual	Actual
Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Entity's Outputs:	This Year	Last Year
<u>Courses</u>		
Level 5 Courses (Laidlaw)	12	8
Level 6 & 7 Courses (Laidlaw)	3	6
Level 6 Courses (Bishopdale)	7	7
<u>Students</u>		
Informal Students	3	6
Formal Students	37	15
	40	21
Formal Students		
Full time	13	10
Part time	24	5
	37	15
<u>Graduands</u>		
Diploma in Christian Studies (Laidlaw)	8	2
Graduate Diploma in Theology (Laidlaw)	0	1
Graduate Certificate in Theology (Laidlaw)	0	0
Bachelor of Theology (Laidlaw)	2	2
Diploma in Christian Studies (Bishopdale)	2	4
	12	9



The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Statement of Financial Performance
"How was it funded?" and "What did it cost?"
For the year ended
31 December 2024

	Note	Actual This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Revenue	1		
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue		218,047	158,577
Revenue from providing goods or services		753,453	319,480
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue		32,088	19,087
Other revenue		3,405	9,976
Total Revenue		1,006,993	507,120
Expenses	2		
Volunteer and employee related costs		429,513	293,763
Costs related to providing goods or services		186,715	164,020
Grants and donations made		318,123	68,947
Other expenses		26,678	33,739
Total Expenses		961,029	560,469
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		45,964	(53,349)



 Chairperson



 Finance Manager

21.05.2025

 Date

21/05/2025

 Date



The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Statement of Financial Position
"What the entity owns?" and "What the entity owes?"
As at
31 December 2024

	Note	Actual This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Assets			
Current Assets	3		
Bank accounts and cash		7,120	10,753
Debtors and prepayments		30,281	3,640
Other current assets		98,283	43,533
Total Current Assets		135,684	57,926
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	4	101,801	109,983
Investments	3	573,544	570,516
Other non-current assets			
Total Non-Current Assets		675,345	680,499
Total Assets		811,29	738,425
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	3		
Bank overdraft			
Creditors and accrued expenses		21,957	24,194
Employee costs payable		42,182	27,698
Other current liabilities		19,077	4,684
Total Current Liabilities		83,216	56,576
Non-Current Liabilities	3		
Loans			
Other non-current liabilities		-	-
Total Non-Current Liabilities		-	-
Total Liabilities		83,216	56,576
Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)		727,813	681,849
Accumulated Funds	5		
Trust Capital		118,000	118,000
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)		154,269	111,333
Restricted Funds Reserve		455,544	452,516
Total Accumulated Funds		727,813	681,849

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Statement of Cash Flows
"How the entity has received and used cash"
For the year ended
31 December 2024

	Actual This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash was received from:		
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts	218,047	158,577
Receipts from providing goods or services	730,217	358,562
Interest, dividends and other investment receipts	430	565
Net GST	(1,217)	(6)
Cash was applied to:		
Payments to suppliers and employees	(594,071)	(537,506)
Donations or grants paid	(318,123)	(68,947)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	35,283	(88,755)
Cash flows from Investing and Financing Activities		
Cash was received from:		
Receipts from the sale of property, plant and equipment	-	-
Receipts from NDTB Trusts	126,650	126,650
Cash was applied to:		
Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment	(12,796)	(37,540)
Payments to NDTB Trusts	-	-
Net Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities	(38,916)	89,110
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Cash	(3,633)	355
Opening Cash	10,753	10,398
Closing Cash	7,120	10,753
This is represented by:		
Bank Accounts and Cash	7,120	10,753



The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Statement of Accounting Policies
"How did we do our accounting"
For the year ended
31 December 2024

Basis of Preparation

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of equal to or less than \$5,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

Restricted Funding

When donation funding has been provided for specific future investment purposes or to meet specific future costs of the Trust and does not have a use or return condition attached, the initial donation received is recognised as income in the reported surplus or deficit and then transferred from Accumulated Funds to a separate "Restricted Funds" equity reserve. This treatment recognises that restricted funding received is preserved in investments and the income only can be used to fund the future costs of the Trust.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust is registered for GST. All amounts are recorded exclusive of GST, except for Debtors and Creditors which are stated inclusive of GST.

Income Tax

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax having fully complied with all statutory conditions for these exemptions.

Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank accounts and cash in the Statement of Cash Flows comprise cash balances and bank balances (including short term deposits) with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Asset Valuation

Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards Applied:

Investments include funds invested through the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board which are classified as financial assets measured at fair value through surplus or deficit in terms of PBE IPSAS 41 Financial Instruments. These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses, including any dividend income or interest, are recognised in surplus or deficit.

Revenue**Student Fees & Ministry Training Income**

Student Fees and Ministry Training Income is recognised as income when the teaching/training occurs.

Grants

Grants are recognised as revenue when the funding is received unless there is an obligation to return the funds if conditions of the grant are not met. If there is such an obligation, the grant is initially recorded as a liability and recognised as revenue when conditions of the grant are satisfied.

Interest Revenue

Interest revenue is recorded as it is earned during the year.

Depreciation

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life.

Depreciation rates used are as follows:

Furniture and equipment 5 - 10 years

Computers 3 - 5 Years

Leasehold Improvements 10 years

Library Books 10 Years

Changes in Accounting Policies

The Trust has elected to apply PBE IPSAS 41 Financial instruments which became effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022. There has been no change in the valuation of investments as a result of the application of this standard.

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Notes to the Performance Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Note 1: Analysis of Revenue

Revenue Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Donations, Fundraising and other similar revenue	Donations - Restricted	700	5,600
	Donations - Operating	99,347	74,281
	Grant - Diocese	118,000	78,696
	Total	218,047	158,577

Donations - Restricted are donations received which are being invested in a permanent trust with the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board with the income only being available for the college's operational purposes.

Revenue Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Revenue from providing goods or services	Student Fees	127,875	50,492
	Ministry Training - Diocese	-	39,508
	St John's – Base Funding	219,100	104,872
	St John's – Student Scholarships	309,585	68,860
	St John's – Other	82,983	46,033
	New Site Project	9,715	9,715
	Grant – Other	13,910	-
	Total	753,453	319,480

Revenue Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	Trust Interest	29,330	27,132
	Interest	430	565
	Capital Distribution to Financial assets at Fair Value through Surplus and Deficit – change in fair value	2,328	(8,610)
	Total	32,088	19,087

Revenue Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Other revenue	Other Revenue	3,405	-
	Gain on sale/disposal of assets	-	70
	Legacies/Bequests	-	9,906
	Total	3,405	9,976



The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Notes to the Performance Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Note 2: Analysis of Expenses

Expense Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Volunteer and employee related costs	Salaries and Wages	398,895	283,199
	Superannuation & Kiwisaver	17,571	5,070
	ACC levies/Insurances	5,263	3,934
	Allowances	4,540	1,560
	Professional Development	3,244	-
	Total	429,513	293,763

Expense Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Costs related to providing goods or services	Administration Fee	12,000	11,000
	Property Costs	73,448	62,972
	Administration and overhead costs	60,520	42,918
	Other service delivery costs	4,451	12,899
	Ministry Training Costs	14,201	10,613
	Direct costs relating to service delivery	22,095	23,618
	Total	186,715	164,020

Expense Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Grants and donations made	Scholarships – Other	9,500	87
	Scholarships – Anglican	308,623	68,860
	Total	318,123	68,947

Expense Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Other expenses	Audit Fee	5,700	13,250
	Depreciation	20,987	20,489
	Total	26,687	33,739



The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Notes to the Performance Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024
Note 3: Analysis of Assets and Liabilities

Asset Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Bank accounts and cash	Cheque account balance	7,120	10,753
	Total	7,120	10,753

Asset Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Debtors and prepayments	Accounts receivable	10,281	130
	Prepayments	-	-
	Accrued Income	20,000	2,129
	Leasehold Improvement Expense	-	-
	Sundry Debtors	-	1,381
	Total	30,281	3,640

Asset Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Other current assets	NDTB Call Fund	96,156	39,994
	NDTB Permanent Income Fund	2,127	3,539
	Total	98,283	43,533

Asset Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
NDTB Permanent Trust – financial assets at fair value through surplus and deficit	NDTB Permanent Trust	573,544	570,516
	Total	573,544	570,516

Liability Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Creditors and accrued expenses	Trade and other payables	6,506	8,386
	Accrued expenses	13,310	12,450
	GST Payable	2,141	3,358
	Total	21,957	24,194

Liability Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Employee costs payable	Wages and salaries earned but not yet paid	12,867	4,210
	Holiday pay accrual	29,210	18,292
	ACC contributions owing	105	95
	Pension contributions owing	-	447
	Sabbatical Accrual	-	4,654
	Total	42,182	27,698

Liability Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Other current liabilities	Visa Balance	6,743	4,399
	Income received but not spent	12,334	285
	Total	19,077	4,684

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Notes to the Performance Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Note 4: Property, Plant and Equipment

This Year					
Asset Class	Opening Carrying Amount	Purchases	Sales/ Disposals	Current Year Depreciation & Impairment	Closing Carrying Amount
Leasehold Improvements	19,697	-	-	2,168	17,529
Furniture and equipment	6,301	3,030	-	2,022	7,309
Computers (incl. software)	2,563	-	-	1,148	1,415
Library Books	81,422	9,766	-	15,640	75,548
Total	109,983	12,796	-	20,978	101,801

Last Year					
Asset Class	Opening Carrying Amount	Purchases	Sales/ Disposals	Current Year Depreciation and Impairment	Closing Carrying Amount
Leasehold Improvements	194	21,685	-	2,182	19,697
Furniture and equipment	2,885	5,695	-	2,279	6,301
Computers (incl. software)	3,972	-	-	1,409	2,563
Library Books	85,811	10,232	-	14,621	81,422
Total	92,862	37,612	-	20,491	109,983

Note 5: Accumulated Funds

This Year				
Description	Trust Capital	Accumulated Surpluses or Deficits	Restricted Funds Reserve	Total
Opening Balance	118,000	111,333	452,516	681,849
Surplus/(Deficit)		45,964		45,964
Transfer from Reserves		(3,028)	3,028	
Closing Balance	118,000	154,269	455,544	727,813

Last Year				
Description	Trust Capital	Accumulated Surpluses or Deficits	Restricted Funds Reserve	Total
Opening Balance	118,000	161,972	455,226	735,198
Surplus/(Deficit)		(53,349)		(53,349)
Transfer to Reserves		2,710	(2,710)	
Closing Balance	118,000	111,333	452,516	681,849

Breakdown of Reserves		Actual	Actual
		This Year	Last Year
Name	Nature and Purpose	\$	\$
Restricted Funds Reserve Endowment Fund	Permanent trust fund with only the income generated by the fund available for the operational purposes of the College.	454,291	451,268
Restricted Funds Reserve Scholarship Fund	Permanent trust fund with only the income generated by the fund available to assist with the payment of College scholarships.	1,253	1,248
Total		455,544	452,516

The Bishopdale Theological College Trust
Notes to the Performance Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024

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Note 6 : Commitments and Contingencies

		At balance date	At balance date
		This Year	Last Year
Commitment	Explanation and Timing	\$	\$
Commitments to lease or rent assets	The Trust has a non-cancellable operating lease commitment for the premises leased from the All Saints parish. The current term of the lease runs through to 31 January 2027. The lease has been varied to allow the lease to be terminated on the giving of six months written notice.		
		52,467	43,300
Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees			
There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at balance date (Last Year - nil)			

Note 7: Related Party Transactions

Description of Related Party Relationship	Description of the Transaction (whether in cash or amount in kind)	This Year \$	Last Year \$	This Year \$	Last Year \$
		Value of Transactions	Value of Transactions	Amount Outstanding	Amount Outstanding
Anglican Diocese Of Nelson - Parent	Grant Funding Received	200,983	124,729	-	-
Anglican Diocese Of Nelson - Parent	Ministry Training Income Received	-	39,508	-	-
Anglican Diocese Of Nelson - Parent	Administration Fee Paid	12,000	11,000	-	-
Nelson Diocesan Trust Board	Trust Income Received	29,330	27,132	-	-
Nelson Diocesan Trust Board	Trust Income - Capital Distribution	2,328	(8,610)		
Nelson Diocesan Trust Board	Call Fund	-	-	96,156	39,994
Nelson Diocesan Trust Board	Permanent Fund	-	-	573,544	570,516
Nelson Diocesan Trust Board	Permanent Income Fund	-	-	2,127	3,539

Note 8: Events After the Balance Date

Events After the Balance Date:

There were no significant events after the balance date.





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustees of The Bishopdale Theological College Trust

Opinion

We have audited the performance report of The Bishopdale Theological College Trust (the Trust) which comprise the financial statements on pages 3 to 11, the statement of service performance on page 2 and the entity information on page 1. The complete set of financial statements comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, and the statement of financial performance and statement of cash flows for the year ended, and the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying performance report presents fairly, in all material respects:

- the entity information as at 31 December 2024;
- the financial position of the Trust as at 31 December 2024, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the service performance of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024 in that the service performance information is appropriate and meaningful and prepared in accordance with the entity's measurement bases or evaluation methods
- in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit of the financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)), and the audit of the entity information and statement of service performance in accordance with the ISAs (NZ) and New Zealand Auditing Standard (NZ AS) 1 (Revised) *The Audit of Service Performance Information*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Performance Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Trust in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand)* issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Trust.

Information other than the Performance Report and Auditor's Report

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the performance report does not cover the other information included in the annual report and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion on the other information. At the time of our audit, there was no other information available to us.

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In connection with our audit of the performance report, if other information is included in the annual report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the performance report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of our auditors' report, we concluded that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

Trustees' Responsibilities for the Performance Report

The Trustees are responsible on behalf of the Trust for:

- a) the preparation and fair presentation of the performance report in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board;
- b) the selection of elements/aspects of service performance measures and/or descriptions and measurement bases or evaluation methods that present service performance information that is appropriate and meaningful in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit);
- c) the preparation and fair presentation of service performance information in accordance with the entity's measurement bases or evaluation methods, in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit);
- d) the overall presentation, structure and content of the service performance information in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit); and
- e) such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements and statement of service performance that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the performance report, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Performance Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the performance report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 (Revised) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of this performance report.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 (Revised), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the performance report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit of the performance report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Obtain an understanding of the process applied by the entity to select its elements/aspects of service performance, performance measures and/or descriptions and the measurement bases or evaluation methods.
- Evaluate whether the selection of elements/aspects of service performance, performance measures and/or descriptions and measurement bases or evaluation methods present an appropriate and meaningful assessment of the entity's service performance in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit).
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Trustees and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the performance report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the performance report, including the disclosures, and whether the performance report represents the underlying transactions, events and elements/aspects of service performance in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Trustees regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Restriction on Use

This report is made solely to the Trust's Trustees, as a body. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trust's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trust and the Trust's Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Crowe New Zealand Audit Partnership

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Dated at Nelson this 21st day of May 2025

The title 'Partner' conveys that the person is a senior member within their respective division and is among the group of persons who hold an equity interest (shareholder) in its parent entity, Findex Group Limited. The only professional service offering which is conducted by a partnership is external audit, conducted via the Crowe Australasia external audit division and Unison SMSF Audit. All other professional services offered by Findex Group Limited are conducted by a privately owned organisation and/or its subsidiaries.

ST ANDREW'S FAMILY TRUST**St Andrew's Family Trust****Performance Report****For the year ended:
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St Andrew's Family Trust**Entity Information****"Who are we?", "Why do we exist?"****For the year ended:****31 December 2024**

Legal Name of Entity:	St Andrew's Family Trust
Type of Entity and Legal Basis (if any):	Charitable Trust & Registered Charity
Registration Number:	CC23872

Entity's Purpose or Mission:

The Trust is a Family/Whanau based charitable, non-profit organisation; formed to provide support services to Children, Young Persons and their Families/Whanau.

The Trust aims to provide Loving, Caring Christian Based Services, for Children, Young Persons and their Family/ies/Whanau.

Entity Structure:

Management and control of the Trust and the full control of all income and expenditure, and assets and property of the Trust is vested in the Trust Board.

Main Sources of the Entity's Cash and Resources:

The Trust's main source of income is investment income from the investments placed with the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board (NDTB).

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:

The Trust does not have any paid staff with all tasks being undertaken by volunteers.

Contact details

Physical Address:	48 Halifax Street, Nelson
Postal Address:	PO Box 100, Nelson
Phone	Ph (03) 5483124

St Andrew's Family Trust
Statement of Service Performance
"What did we do?"
For the year ended
31 December 2024

Description of the Entity's Outcomes:

The St Andrew's Family Trust is a charitable, non-profit organisation formed to provide support services to children, young persons and their families/whanau. In particular the trust:

- funds projects that provide care and support for vulnerable children, young persons and their families/whanau.
- funds special needs and emergency grants for vulnerable children, young persons and their families/whanau.
- advocates for resources and services for children, young persons and their families/whanau.

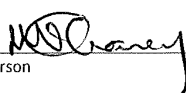
	Actual	Budget	Actual
Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Entity's			
Outputs:	This Year	This Year	Last Year
Project grants (including Kindergarten Social Worker, school workshops, after school programme, community centre kids programmes)	\$12,064	\$22,918	\$27,957
Special needs and emergency grants (including school uniforms, heating, camps, disability assistance, emergency needs)	\$ 9,780	\$11,200	\$ 8,997

St Andrew's Family Trust
Statement of Receipts and Payments
"How was it funded?" and "What did it cost?"

For the year ended:
31 December 2024

	Notes	Actual This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Operating Receipts			
Operating Receipts	2		
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts		-	-
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members		-	-
Receipts from providing goods or services		-	-
Interest, dividends and other investment income receipts		46,314	47,420
Other operating receipts		-	-
Total Operating Receipts		46,314	47,420
Operating Payments	3		
Payments related to public fundraising		-	-
Volunteer and employee related payments		-	-
Payments related to providing goods or services		-	-
Grants and donations paid		21,844	27,957
Other operating payments		3,494	4,599
Total Operating Payments		25,338	32,556
Operating Surplus or (Deficit)		20,976	14,864
Capital Receipts			
Receipts from NDTB Capital Account		226,741	-
Capital Payments			
Payments for 3 Redress Claims		226,741	-
Increase/(Decrease) in Bank Accounts and Cash		20,976	14,864
Bank accounts and cash at the beginning of the financial year		97,549	82,685
Bank Accounts and Cash at the End of the Financial Year		118,525	97,549
Represented by:			
NDTB Call Account		118,525	97,549
Total Bank Accounts and Cash at the End of the Financial Year		118,525	97,549

Signed for and on behalf of the Trust


 Chairperson

23/5/25
 Date

The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes and the review report.

St Andrew's Family Trust
Statement of Resources and Commitments
“what the entity owns?” and “what the entity owes?”
As at
31 December 2024

SCHEDULE OF RESOURCES	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Bank Accounts and Cash (from Statement of Receipts and Payments)	118,525	97,549
Other Resources		
Description and Source of Value	Cost or Current Value	Cost or Current Value
NTDB Permanent Trust	814,846	1,037,354

The NDTB Permanent Trust fund is a long term investment fund which includes St Andrews Bequest funds that have been received. The bequest funds received could have been fully spent however the Trustees have elected to hold these funds as capital funds along with the net proceeds from the sale of the St Andrews home in Richmond. Normally only the income from these funds would be spent. During 2024 the Board elected to use some of the capital funds (\$226,741) to address historical abuse payments related to the St Andrews home in the middle of last century. This expenditure was partially offset by capital gains of \$4,233.

SCHEDULE OF COMMITMENTS	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Money Payable by the Entity		
Description	Amount	Amount
Review Fee	1,800	834
Other Commitments		
Description	Amount	Amount
Commitments to provide grants	31,000	25,000

The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes and the review report.

St Andrew's Family Trust
Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 December 2024

Note 1: Accounting Policies "How did we do our accounting"

Basis of Preparation

St Andrew's Family Trust is permitted by law to apply PBE SFR-C (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Cash (Not-For-Profit) and has elected to do so. All transactions are reported in the Statement of Receipts and Payments and related Notes to the Performance Report on a cash basis.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

St Andrew's Family Trust is not registered for GST. Therefore amounts recorded in the Performance Report are inclusive of GST (if any).

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Note 2: Analysis of Receipts "How was it funded"

Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Fundraising receipts		-	-
	Total		
Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Grants and donations	Donations	-	-
	Estate of JP Cooper	-	-
	Total		
Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members	Fees and subscriptions from members	-	-
	Total		
Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Receipts from providing goods or services		-	-
	Total		
Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Interest, dividends and other investment income receipts	NDTB Call Account Income	46,314	47,420
	NDTB Permanent Trust Income		
	Total	46,314	47,420
Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Other receipts	Grant Returned	-	-
	Total		
Receipt Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Capital receipts		-	-
	Total		

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Note 3: Analysis of Payments "What did it cost"

Payment Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Payments related to public fundraising		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Payment Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Volunteer and employee related payments		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Payment Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Payments related to providing goods or services	Repairs and Maintenance	\$	\$
	Other Expenditure		
	Total	-	-
Payment Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Grants and donations paid	Grants	\$	\$
		21,844	27,957
	Total	21,844	27,957
Payment Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Other operating payments	Review fees	\$	\$
		-	830
	Administration Levy	3,450	3,450
	Other Expenditure	44	319
	Total	3,494	4,529
Payment Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Capital payments	Transfer to NDTB Permanent Trust	\$	\$
	Total	-	-

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Notes 4: Related Party Transactions

There were no transactions involving related parties during the financial year. (Last Year – Nil)

Notes 5: Events After the Balance Date

There have been no events after balance date.

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INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW REPORT**To the Trustees of St Andrews Family Trust****Report on the Financial Statements**

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements contained in the performance report of St Andrews Family Trust, which comprises the statement of resources and commitments as at 31 December 2024, and the statement of receipts and payments for the year then ended, and the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information. We were not engaged to review the entity information or statement of service performance and accordingly these statements, representing other information, are not included in our review.

Trustees Responsibility for the Performance Report

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the Performance Report in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Cash (Not-For-Profit) [PBE SFR-C (NFP)], including the selection of outcomes, outputs and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a Performance Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Assurance Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying Financial Statements. We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (New Zealand) (ISRE (NZ)) 2400, *Review of Historical Financial Statements Performed by an Assurance Practitioner who is not the Auditor of the Entity*. ISRE (NZ) 2400 requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements, taken as a whole, are not prepared in all material respects in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework. This Standard also requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with ISRE (NZ) 2400 is a limited assurance engagement. The assurance practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements. Other than in our capacity as assurance practitioner we have no relationship with, or interests in the St Andrews Family Trust.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements of St Andrews Family Trust as at 31 December 2024 are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with PBE SFR-C (NFP).

Emphasis or Matter – Special Purpose Report

The performance report is prepared in accordance with a special purpose framework, PBE SFR-C (NFP), and as a result, the performance report may not be suitable for other purposes.

*Independent Auditors Ltd***INDEPENDENT AUDITORS LTD**

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**Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa,
New Zealand and Polynesia)
For the year ended 31 December 2024**

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

For the year ended 31 December 2024

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Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense
For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Group	
		2024	2023
		\$	\$
REVENUE FROM NON-EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS			
Fundraising and donations	6	3,399,042	3,520,112
Government grants and subsidies		3,118	7,546
Government grants and subsidies		555,060	7,546
Total revenue from non-exchange transactions		3,957,220	4,089,088
REVENUE FROM EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS			
Sale of goods		128,972	115,205
Rendering of services		1,012,050	391,929
Rental income		2,836,390	2,670,910
Dividend income		544,386	443,881
Other income	10	62,720	18,834
Total revenue from exchange transactions		4,584,518	3,640,759
TOTAL REVENUE		8,541,738	7,729,847
EXPENSES			
Direct cost of public fundraising		8,442	10,114
Cost of goods sold		426	951
Service delivery costs		356,793	375,001
Wages, salaries and other employee costs		4,398,874	4,033,613
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment expenses	8	209,694	225,996
Grants and donations		685,262	346,969
Other overhead and administrative expenses	7	3,221,256	2,655,272
TOTAL EXPENSES		8,880,747	7,647,916
Interest income	9	1,282,515	1,160,909
Finance costs	9	(122,152)	(74,390)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FROM FINANCE ACTIVITIES		1,160,363	1,086,519
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		821,354	1,168,450
Provision for redress	30	1,124	(183,928)
OTHER GAINS/(LOSSES)			
Gain/(loss) on fair value of investment properties		(170,000)	46,906
Gain/(loss) on sale of assets		(652)	2,668
Gain/(loss) attributable to Non- Group Entities		(741)	(4,055)
Gain/(loss) on financial instruments at fair value through surplus or deficit		668,691	115,676
Other gains/(losses)		(282,550)	(970,840)
TOTAL OTHER GAINS/(LOSSES)		214,748	(809,645)
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		1,037,226	174,877

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.



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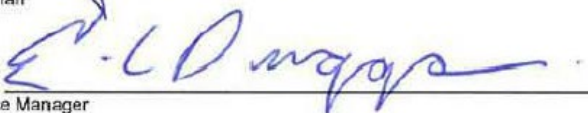
Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Notes	Group	
	2024 \$	2023 \$
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	1,037,226	174,877
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES	1,963,526	5,752,634
<i>Movements that will not be reclassified to surplus or deficit in subsequent periods:</i>		
Gain/(loss) on revaluation of Property Plant and Equipment		
- Current year fair value gains/(losses) Property Plant and Equipment	1,963,526	5,752,634
Total other comprehensive revenue and expense		
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR	3,000,752	5,927,511

These financial statements have been authorised for issue by Standing Committee on 4th December 2025



 Chairman



 Finance Manager

4th December 2025
Date

4th December 2025
Date

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.



Diocese of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 December 2024

	Notes	Group	
		2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents	11	1,172,410	2,446,855
Receivables from exchange transactions	12	475,660	477,180
Receivables from non-exchange transactions	12	35,260	216,072
Prepayments		587,074	617,130
Other current financial assets	15	5,518,081	6,333,175
Total current assets		7,788,485	10,090,412
Non-current			
Property, plant and equipment	13	71,938,593	69,644,944
Investment properties	14	29,646,875	29,816,875
Other non-current financial assets	15	28,913,051	26,230,580
Total non-current assets		130,498,519	125,692,399
TOTAL ASSETS		138,287,004	135,782,811
LIABILITIES			
Current			
Payables under exchange transactions	16	243,270	248,284
Deferred revenue	18	172,040	318,602
Employee entitlements	17	430,293	349,430
Call Deposits Non-Group	20	32,838	32,214
Provisions	31	130,000	400,000
Permanent Trusts - Income Non-Group	20	301,694	261,021
Licence to Occupy Obligation	19	597,529	578,171
Total current liabilities		1,907,664	2,187,722
Non-current			
Permanent Trusts - Capital Non-Group	20	2,111,257	2,328,498
Unallocated Investment Gains	20	40,106	39,365
Total non-current liabilities		2,151,363	2,367,863
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,059,027	4,555,585
NET ASSETS		134,227,977	131,227,226
EQUITY			
Restricted Funds	21	60,924,127	60,330,480
Accumulated Funds		9,804,686	9,361,108
Revaluation Reserves	21	63,499,164	61,535,638
TOTAL EQUITY		134,227,977	131,227,226

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Diocese of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Group	Notes	Restricted Funds	Accumulated Funds	Revaluation Reserves	Total Equity
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance 1 January 2024		60,330,480	9,361,107	61,535,638	131,227,225
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		-	1,037,226	-	1,037,226
Other comprehensive revenue and expenses		-		1,963,526	1,963,526
Total comprehensive revenue and expense		-	1,037,226	1,963,526	3,000,752
Transfers within Group					
Transfer to/(from) restricted funds in the year		593,647	(593,647)	-	-
Transfer on sale of property		-			-
Transfer to/ (from) Revaluation reserves in the year					-
Balance 31 December 2024	21	60,924,127	9,804,686	63,499,164	134,227,977
Balance 1 January 2023		60,392,198	9,087,267	55,818,004	125,297,469
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		-	174,877	-	174,877
Other comprehensive revenue and expenses		-		5,752,634	5,752,634
Total comprehensive revenue and expense		-	174,877	5,752,634	5,927,511
Transfers within Group					
Transfer to/(from) restricted funds in the year		(61,718)	61,718	-	-
Transfer on sale of property		-		(35,000)	35,000
Transfer to/ (from) Revaluation reserves in the year			37,245		37,245
Balance 31 December 2023	21	60,330,480	9,361,107	61,535,638	131,227,225

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Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Group	
		2024	2023
		\$	\$
Cash flow from operating activities			
<i>Cash was provided from/applied to:</i>			
Membership subscriptions			
Fundraising, donations, grants and bequests		3,803,306	4,238,595
Receipts from goods and services provided		4,015,289	3,396,896
Payments to suppliers and employees		(7,763,021)	(7,474,302)
Interest and dividends received		1,628,102	1,446,435
Grants, contributions and sponsorship paid		(685,262)	(346,969)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities		998,414	1,260,655
Cash flow from investing activities			
<i>Cash was provided from/applied to:</i>			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		30,297	573,227
Proceeds of Non-Current Assets held for sale		-	139,970
Proceeds from Minor Loans		333,051	1,790,656
Proceeds from sale of financial assets		5,338,978	11,667,957
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(629,225)	(1,162,605)
Purchase of investment property		-	(113,094)
Purchase of financial assets		(7,047,865)	(15,406,058)
Trust Account Movements - Non Group		(298,095)	(103,752)
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities		(2,272,859)	(2,613,699)
Cash flow from financing activities			
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities			
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(1,274,445)	(1,353,044)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year		2,446,855	3,799,899
Effect of exchange differences on foreign cash held			
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	11	1,172,410	2,446,855



These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

Diocese of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

Notes to the financial statements**1 Reporting entity**

These financial statements comprise the financial statements of The Diocese of Nelson (the "Diocese") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The Diocese of Nelson is a branch of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. The Diocese is a registered charitable organisation with the Charities Commission and is exempt from Income Tax.

These financial statements include the Diocese of Nelson, Parishes of the Diocese, Nelson Diocese Trust Board (NDTB) and Bishopdale Theological College (BTC).

2 For the year ended 31 December 2024**(a) Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Tier 2 Public Benefit Entity (PBE) Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the New Zealand External Reporting Board (XRB). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Public Sector Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime (NZ IPSAS with RDR) and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards as appropriate to Public Benefit Entities.

The Diocese and Parishes have valued property at rateable value which is a departure from recognised practice under NZ IPSAS. The value of other heritage and donated assets has not been recognised in these financial statements and could be significant. Investment Properties held in NDTB are valued at independently assessed market value.

The Diocese is eligible to report in accordance with Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards on the basis that it does not have public accountability and annual expenditure does not exceed \$30 million.

The Diocese is deemed a public benefit entity for financial reporting purposes, as its primary objective is to provide services to the community for social benefit and has been established with a view to supporting that primary objective rather than a financial return.

(b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical costs basis, except for some assets that have been measured at fair value and rateable values.

The accrual basis of accounting has been used unless otherwise stated and the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

(c) Presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars.

(d) Comparatives

The comparative financial period is 12 months.

(e) Changes in accounting policies

The Group has not adopted any standards or interpretations on issue that are not yet effective. The standards are expected to be adopted in the period in which they become mandatory.

Changes affecting the Group in the future are:

Disclosure of Fees for Audit Firms' Services (Amendments to PBE IPSAS 1) will be effective for reporting periods after 1 January 2024. This change will increase the disclosure requirements around services received from the audit firm to improve transparency and consistency.

3. Summary of significant accounting policies

The accounting policies of the Diocese have been applied consistently to all years presented in these financial statements.

The significant accounting policies used in the preparation of these financial statements are summarised below:

(a) Basis of consolidation

The financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the Diocese and all entities over which the Diocese has the power to govern the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from their activities.

All subsidiaries have a 31 December balance date and consistent accounting policies are applied.

The consolidation of the Diocese and entities involves adding together like terms of assets, liabilities, income and expenses on a line-by-line basis. All significant intra-Diocese balances are eliminated on consolidation of Diocese financial position, performance and cash flows.

(b) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held on call with banks with original maturities of three months or less, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

The Diocese has no approved bank overdraft limits.

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)**Notes to the financial statements****(c) Financial instruments – initial recognition and subsequent measurement**

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets***Initial recognition and measurement***

The Groups financial assets include: cash, short- and long--term deposits, trade and other receivables, owner occupier and other mortgages, group loans and bonds. All financial assets are recognised initially at fair value.

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost; Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expenditure (FVOCRE) – debt investment; FVOCRE – equity investment; or Fair Value Through Surplus or Deficit (FVTSD). Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Group changes its management model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the management model.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTSD:

- (o) It is held within a management model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- (p) Its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A debt investment is measured at FVOCRE if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTSD:

- 10. It is held within a management model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- 11. Its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in the investment's fair value in OCRE. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCRE as described above are measured at FVTSD. On initial recognition, the Company may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCRE as at FVTSD if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)**Notes to the financial statements*****Subsequent measurement***

Financial assets classified as measured at amortised cost are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income and impairment losses are recognised in surplus or deficit. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in surplus or deficit.

Impairment of non-derivative financial assets

The Group recognises loss allowances for Expected Credit Losses (ECLs) on:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost; and
- debt investments measured at FVOCRE.

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are measured at 12-month ECLs:

- debt securities that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- other debt securities and bank balances for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Group considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Group's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

The Group assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due without explanation.

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

12-month ECLs are the portion of ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months).

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive).

ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost and debt securities at FVOCRE are credit-impaired.

Financial liabilities***Initial recognition and measurement***

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through surplus or deficit, payables, loans and borrowings, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of payables and loans and borrowings, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Group's financial liabilities include trade and other payables and loans and borrowings (including bank overdrafts).

In addition, Funds are held and managed by the Group on behalf of Group and non-Group entities. Although the Group is the legal owner of the Investment Assets, the Group has no beneficial interest in these assets and therefore the funds invested are held as liabilities by the Group. See notes 17, 18 & 19 for the details of such liabilities.

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)**Notes to the financial statements*****Subsequent measurement******Financial liabilities at fair value through surplus or deficit***

Financial liabilities at fair value through surplus or deficit include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are incurred for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term. This category also includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Group that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships as defined by PBE IPSAS 29. Separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments.

Gains or losses on liabilities held for trading are recognised in surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition at fair value through surplus or deficit are designated at the initial date of recognition, and only if the criteria in PBE IPSAS 29 are satisfied. The Group has not designated any financial liability as at fair value through surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

This is the category of financial liabilities that is most relevant to the Group. After initial recognition, trade and other payables and interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Gains or losses are recognised in surplus or deficit when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process. The effective interest rate amortisation is included as finance costs in the statement of financial performance.

Trade and other payables are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Due to their short-term nature they are not discounted.

The majority of the Groups liabilities are to the trusts for which they hold investments. These are paid interest rates dependant on the Groups returns which vary year to year. Their amortised cost is assuming to be their establishment cost.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, waived, cancelled, or expired. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, then such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of financial performance.

Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of financial instruments that are traded in active markets at each reporting date is determined by reference to quoted market prices or dealer price quotations (bid price for long positions and ask price for short positions), without any deduction for transaction costs. In the absence of an active market, the fair value of financial instruments is measured using valuation techniques with the objective of estimating what the transaction price would have been on the measurement date in an arm's length exchange motivated by normal operating considerations.

(d) Property, plant and equipment

Except for land and buildings, items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost, less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Low value assets are written off in the year of purchase.

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)**Notes to the financial statements****Additions and subsequent costs**

Subsequent costs and the cost replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset if, and only if, it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential will flow to the Diocese and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised.

In most instances, an item of plant and equipment is recognised at its cost. Where an asset is acquired at no cost, or for a nominal cost, it is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date.

All repairs and maintenance expenditure is charged to surplus or deficit in the year in which the expense is incurred.

Building earthquake strengthening costs are added to the carrying value of the asset when the costs are incurred.

Disposals

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no further future economic benefits or service potential are expected from its use or disposal.

When an item of property, plant or equipment is disposed of, the gain or loss recognised in the surplus or deficit is calculated as the difference between the net sale proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset.

Upon disposal, any revaluation reserve relating to the particular asset being sold is reclassified to accumulated funds.

Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised as an expense in the reported surplus or deficit and measured on a straight value (SL) basis on all plant and equipment over the estimated useful life of the asset. The following depreciation rates have been applied at each class of fixed asset:

Buildings	not depreciated
Leasehold Improvements	10 years
Furniture and Fittings	5-25 years
Office Equipment	3-5 years

Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated remaining life of the improvements, whichever is shorter.

The residual value, useful life, and depreciation methods of property, plant and equipment is reassessed annually

Revaluations

Land and buildings held for Christian Purposes (Churches, Halls and other Church buildings) are revalued to rateable value. Investment Properties are valued at fair value on an annual basis to ensure that the carrying amount does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value at the end of the reporting period.

The Nativity Court units, retirement units in Blenheim occupied on a Licence to Occupy basis, are revalued annually based on net present value. The units are being discontinued as retirement units so as each Licence to Occupy ceases and the occupant obligation is paid the unit is initially recognised at fair value then revalued to rateable value.

After initial recognition, Investment Property subject to revaluation whose fair value can be measured reliably shall be carried at a revalued amount, being its fair value at the date of the revaluation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Fair value is determined by reference to market based evidence, which is the amount for which the assets could be exchanged between a willing buyer and a knowledgeable willing seller in an arm's length transaction as at the valuation date.

Revaluations are performed on a class-by-class basis with the exception of Property. Buildings held for Christian purposes are considered a separate class from Investment Property. If an item of property, plant and equipment is revalued, the entire class to which the asset belongs is revalued.

Any revaluation surplus is recognised in other comprehensive revenue and expenses and credited to the asset revaluation reserve in equity, unless the increase relates to a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in the surplus or deficit.

Any revaluation deficit is recognised in other comprehensive revenue and expenses and credited to the asset revaluation reserve in equity to the extent of the revaluation reserve balance accumulated from previous year gains. When no revaluation reserve balance is available to offset a revaluation loss the revaluation deficit is reported within the surplus or deficit for the year.

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Investment property is property primarily held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both.

Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs.

Investment property acquired through a non-exchange transaction is measured at its fair value at the date of acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value, which is based on active market prices, adjusted if necessary, for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset at the reporting date.

Fair value is determined annually by external professional valuers with sufficient experience with respect to both the location and the nature of investment property and supported by market evidence.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are recognised in surplus or deficit in the year in which they arise.

When the use of investment property changes such that it is reclassified as property, plant and equipment, its fair value at the date of reclassification becomes its cost for subsequent accounting.

Investment properties are derecognised either when they have been disposed of or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit or service potential is expected from its disposal. While the property is available for sale but before the sale is unconditional the property will be held at the lower of fair value or estimated net sale proceeds.

Any gains or losses on the retirement or disposal of an investment property are recognised in surplus or deficit in the year of retirement or disposal.

(f) Leased assets

Leases where the Diocese assumes substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the leased assets, are classified as finance leases. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Upon initial recognition finance leased assets are measured at an amount equal to the lower of its fair value and the present value of minimum leased payments at inception of the lease. A matching liability is recognised for minimum lease payment obligations excluding the effective interest expense. Subsequent to initial recognition, the asset is accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy applicable to the asset.

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease. Associated costs, such as maintenance and insurance, are expensed as incurred.

(g) Employee entitlements
Short-term employee benefits

Employee benefits, previously earned from past services, that the Diocese expect to be settled within 12 months of reporting date are measured based on accrued entitlements at current rates of pay.

These include gross salaries and wages accrued up to the reporting date and annual leave earned, but not yet taken at the reporting date.

Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the Diocese is committed without realistic possibility of withdrawal, to terminate employment, or to provide termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. Termination benefits for voluntary redundancies are recognised as an expense if the Diocese has made an offer of voluntary redundancy, it is probable that the offer will be accepted, and the number of acceptances can be estimated reliably. If benefits are payable more than 12 months after the reporting date, then they are discounted to their present value.

Long-term benefits

No accrual has been made for long service leave within the Diocese.

(h) Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the Diocese and revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received.

The following specific recognition criteria must be met before revenue is recognised:

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A non-exchange transaction is where the Diocese either receives value from another entity without directly giving approximately equal value in exchange or gives value to another entity without directly receiving approximately equal value in exchange.

When non-exchange revenue is received with conditions attached, the asset is recognised with a matching liability. As the conditions are satisfied the liability is decreased and revenue recognised.

When non-exchange revenue is received with restrictions attached, but no requirement to return the asset if not deployed as specified, then revenue is recognised on receipt.

Condition stipulation – funds received are required to be used for a specific purpose, with a requirement to return unused funds.

Restriction stipulation – funds received are required to be used for a specific purpose, with no requirement to return unused funds.

Donations, grants and bequests

Donations and grant income is recognised as revenue when received and all associated obligations have been met. Where grants have been given for a specific purpose, or with conditions attached, income is not recognised until agreed upon services and conditions have been satisfied.

Government grants relating to income are recognised as income over the periods necessary to match them with the related services when performed. Grants received for which the requirements and services have not been met is treated as "income in advance" under current liabilities.

To the extent that there is a condition attached that would give rise to a liability to repay the grant amount or to return the granted asset, a deferred revenue liability is recognised instead of revenue. Revenue is then recognised only once the Diocese has satisfied these conditions.

Bequests are recognised when the bequest is notified rather than when the funds are received. All donations that are unconditional are recognised upon receipt rather than commencement of specific projects (such as building projects).

Restricted Funding

When donation funding has been provided for specific future investment purposes or to meet specific future costs of the Diocese, the initial donation received is recognised as income in the reported surplus or deficit and then transferred in the Statement of Movements in Equity from Accumulated Funds to a separate "Restricted Funds" equity reserve. This treatment recognises that restricted funding received is preserved in investments and the income only can be used to fund future costs or held as on Call funds to meet specific future costs of the Diocese.

Sale of goods

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when the Diocese has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods supplied. Significant risks and rewards are generally considered to be transferred to the buyer when the customer has taken undisputed delivery of the goods.

Licence to Occupy Contributions

The Units at Blenheim Parish are a Licence to Occupy and within the agreements amounts are settled on termination of the occupation licence. The Diocese accrues the amount of the termination settlement over the estimated life of the occupation on a straight line basis. The settlement difference between the accrual and the legal obligation to pay is held in the Statement of Financial Position as deferred income.

Rendering of services

Revenue from services rendered is recognised in the surplus or deficit in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. The stage of completion is assessed by reference to surveys of work performed. Under this method, revenue is recognised in the accounting periods in which the services are provided.

When the contract outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent of the expenses recognised that are recoverable.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised on the date that rights to receive payments are established.

Rental income

Rental income arising from rental premises is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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The operations of the Diocese are reliant on services provided by volunteers. Volunteer services received are not recognised as revenue or expenditure.

(i) Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are expensed in the period they occur. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds. The Diocese have chosen not to capitalise borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of assets.

(j) Income tax

Due to its charitable status, the Diocese is exempt from income tax.

(k) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

All amounts in these financial statements are shown exclusive of GST, except for receivables and payables that are stated inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Inland Revenue Department (IRD) is included as part of receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

4. Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with NZ IPSAS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Where material, information on significant judgements, estimates and assumptions is provided in the relevant accounting policy or provided in the relevant note disclosure.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Estimates are subject to on-going review and actual results may differ from these estimates. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the year in which the estimate is revised and in future years affected.

The following are significant management judgements in applying the accounting policies of the Diocese that have a significant effect on the financial statements:

Impairment

The Diocese assess the impairment of all assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Diocese and to the particular asset that might lead to impairment.

Fair value measurement of financial instruments

When the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the statement of financial position cannot be measured based on quoted price in active markets, the fair value is measured using valuation techniques including the discounted cash flow model. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values.

Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

Revaluation of property, plant and equipment and Investment Properties

The Diocese carries its Investment Properties at revalued amounts. Investment properties have been independently valued at fair value using comparable prices adjusted for specific market factors such as nature, location and condition of the property. If any of these factors change in subsequent years then this may materially affect the value of the Investment Properties.

Land and buildings (generally held within Parishes) are valued by reference to Local Body 3 yearly rateable values. It is not practicable to have each property independently valued and it is acknowledged that RV is not generally compliant with IPSAS for fair value measurement. No depreciation is calculated for Land and Buildings as it is expected that the value of Land and Buildings will increase at each 3 year revaluation by Quotable Value.

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)**Notes to the financial statements****Useful lives and residual values**

The useful lives and residual values of assets has been predominately based on historical experience and the following may be taken into account:

- The nature of the asset, its susceptibility and adaptability to changes in technology and processes. Adjustments to useful life are made when considered necessary.

Other Non-Group Entities

- The Diocese has the ability to elect 1 trustee to Mapua Hills Community Church but has no ability to control, direct or significantly influence the activities of the church.
- The Diocese manages applications to The Mary Foster Barham Trust. Beneficiaries of the Trust are children of Nelson and Richmond who are not necessarily church members. The Diocese is in effect acting as The Trustee for present and future beneficiaries.
- The St Andrews Trust Board members are appointed by the St Andrews Trust Board itself and therefore the Diocese does not have direct control over the decisions of the Board.
- The Diocese does not appoint the members of the Nelson Mission to Seafarers Board and therefore does not have direct control over the decisions of the Board
- The Diocese does not appoint the members of the Port Nelson Mission To Seafarers Board and therefore does not have direct control over the decisions of the Board
- Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu is a separate Diocese within Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia over which the Nelson Diocese has no control.
- NDTB manage funds on behalf of these entities and the financial statements hold their assets within a pool with a corresponding liability to the Non- Group Entities (see Note 21).

Licence to Occupy Units in Blenheim

Occupancy Tenure- The calculation for the recognition of LTO contribution in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense is based on an estimate of the expected tenure of the occupiers. The expected period of tenure used is nine years based on historical information.

Restricted Funds

Some donors specify that the capital is to be invested in perpetuity and the income generated from that capital is available either for the discretion of the Trustees or in some instances for specified purposes. When the income is for specified purposes then the Trustees deem it to be restricted funds. In certain circumstances, the Trustees may allocate funds donated for a specific purpose and these funds are therefore not available for general use and are also restricted.

5. Associated Entities

The consolidated financial statements of the Diocese include the following entities:

Name of Consolidating Entities	Principal activity	Country of incorporation
Nelson Diocese (Parent)	To provide administration and support functions to Parishes and other entities	New Zealand
Nelson Diocese Trust Board	To manage commercial and investment activities of the Diocese	New Zealand
Bishopdale Theological College	To deliver Anglican education at a Tertiary level within the Diocese	New Zealand
All Saints Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Atawhai Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Awatere Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Blenheim Nativity Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Blenheim South Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Buller Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Cathedral	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Cobden Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Golden Bay Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Greymouth Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Havelock Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Kaikoura Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Motueka Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Pictou Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Reefton Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Richmond Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Spring Creek Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Stoke Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Tahunanui Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Victory Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Waimea Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Wairau Valley Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand
Wakefield Anglican Parish	Parish in the Top of the South providing Anglican religious community	New Zealand

All the above entities have a 31 December reporting date.

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Notes to the financial statements**6 Revenue**

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Fundraising Revenue		
Offerings and general donations	3,074,304	2,923,821
Bequests	257,077	519,191
Other Fundraising activities	67,661	77,100
Total fundraising revenue	3,399,042	3,520,112
Grants Revenue		
St Johns College	399,528	452,956
External Grants to Parishes	85,002	100,732
Other	70,530	7,742
Total grant revenue	555,060	561,430

7 Other Overhead and Administrative Expenses

The following amounts were expensed in the surplus/(deficit) for the year:

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Audit fees	75,850	85,516
Other Expenses including Office Expenses	549,435	460,440
Insurances	456,979	407,286
Property and equipment costs	2,138,992	1,702,030
Total other overhead and administrative expenses	3,221,256	2,655,272

8 Depreciation, amortisation and impairment expenses

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	209,694	225,996
Total depreciation, amortisation and impairment expenses	209,694	225,996

9 Finance income and costs

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Financing income	37,834	111,711
Interest Income on Mortgages Other Interest	198,393	174,401
Interest income on bank deposits and bonds	1,046,288	874,797
Total finance income	1,282,515	1,160,909
Financing expenditure		
Interest expense - borrowings	(122,152)	(74,390)
Total finance costs	(122,152)	(74,390)

10 Other income

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Other Miscellaneous Income	62,720	18,834
Total other income	62,720	18,834

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	1,172,410	2,446,855
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,172,410	2,446,855

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents approximates their fair value.

Cash at bank earns interest at floating rates on daily deposit balances.

Short term deposits are made for varying periods of between one to three months depending of the immediate cash requirements of the Diocese and earn interest at respective short-term deposit rates.

12 Receivables

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade debtors	475,660	477,180
Other receivables	35,260	216,072
Total receivables	510,920	693,252

Trade debtors and other receivables are non-interest bearing and receipt is normally on 30 days terms. Therefore the carrying value of trade debtors and other receivables approximates its fair value.

Any bequests where the amounts have been advised but not yet received have been accrued in the year the bequest was advised. As at 31 December 2023 and 2024, all overdue receivables have been assessed for impairment and appropriate allowances made.

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Notes to the financial statements**13 Property, plant and equipment**

Movements for each class of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

Group 2024	Land and Buildings \$	Other Plant and Equipment \$	Total \$
Gross carrying amount	68,768,712	2,520,438	71,289,150
Additions	323,603	246,512	555,753
Disposals	-	(30,297)	(30,297)
Transfer to Assets for Sale	-	-	-
Revaluation movements	1,963,524	-	3,113,435
Closing balance	71,055,839	2,736,653	74,928,041
Accumulated depreciation and impairment			
Opening balance	-	1,644,206	1,644,206
Depreciation for the year	-	209,695	209,695
Depreciation written back on disposal	-	-	-
Closing balance	-	1,853,901	1,853,901
Carrying amount 31 December 2024	71,055,839	882,752	73,074,140

Group 2023			
Gross carrying amount	61,842,147	2,353,880	64,196,027
Additions	1,308,931	203,674	1,512,605
Disposals	(135,000)	(37,116)	(172,116)
Transfer to Assets for Sale	-	-	-
Revaluation movements	5,752,634	-	5,752,634
Closing balance	68,768,712	2,520,438	71,289,150
Accumulated depreciation and impairment			
Opening balance	-	1,418,208	1,418,208
Depreciation for the year	-	225,999	225,999
Depreciation written back on disposal	-	-	-
Closing balance	-	1,644,206	1,644,206
Carrying amount 31 December 2023	68,768,712	876,232	69,644,944

Revaluations

The Diocese have used rateable values as provided by the Local Government Agency, to determine the fair value of land and buildings. The majority of buildings are churches within the Diocese which are held in perpetuity for religious activities.

The effective date of the revaluation was the latest available valuation at 31 December 2024.

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Notes to the financial statements**14 Investment property**

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Opening balance	29,816,875	30,066,875
Fair value gain/ (loss) for the year	(170,000)	46,906.00
Additions/(Disposals) of Investment Property	.	296,906
Closing balance investment property	29,646,875	29,816,875

Investment property includes real estate properties in New Zealand, which are held to earn rents and for capital appreciation purposes. Leases are generally sought for a period of more than 5 years and rents are regularly assessed for market value. Rent reviews periods vary but all properties have a prescribed review process.

The Diocese has no restrictions on the realisability of its investment property and no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment property or for repairs, maintenance and enhancements.

Revaluations

The Diocese engaged Bayleys accredited valuers that use the International Valuation Standards Committee, International Valuation Standards as a reference, to determine the fair value of investment properties.

In determining fair value, the expected net cash flows applicable to each investment property have been discounted to the present value using a market determined, risk adjusted, discount rate applicable to the respective asset.

For some of the Investment Property held, there was a lack of comparable market data. A significant degree of judgement was applied by the independent Valuer to determine the investment property fair value. Changes in these assumptions could materially impact the reported fair value of the Investment Property.

		Group	
		2024	2023
Nelson Properties	Nelson Properties		
Discount rate	Discount rate	8%	7.75%
Capitalisation rate	Capitalisation rate	6.75%	6.50%
Dunedin Properties	Dunedin Properties		
Discount rate	Discount rate	7.25-8.25%	7-8.5%
Capitalisation rate	Capitalisation rate	5.25-7%	5-7%
Christchurch Properties	Christchurch Properties		
Discount rate	Discount rate	7.75-8.5%	7.75-8.75%
Capitalisation rate	Capitalisation rate	6.25-7.75%	6-7.5%

Significant increases (decreases) in estimated rental value and rent growth per annum in isolation would result in a significantly higher (lower) fair value of the properties. Significant increases (decreases) in long-term vacancy rate and discount rate (and exit yield) in isolation would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value.

15 Other financial assets

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current assets		
<i>Amortised Cost</i>		
Bank Term deposits - Current	4,775,000	6,001,113
Mortgages General	34,000	323,375
Owner Occupier Mortgages	9,081	8,687
Bonds	700,000	-
Total current other financial assets	5,518,081	6,333,175

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	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Non-current assets		
<i>Amortised Cost</i>		
Bank Term Deposits - Term	7,870,000	9,295,000
Mortgages General	455,400	489,400
Owner Occupier Mortgages	8,671	17,751
Bonds	5,980,896	5,320,896
<i>Financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit</i>		
Trust Investment - Property Funds	7,685,468	7,968,018
JB Were Funds	6,912,616	3,139,515
Total non-current other financial assets	28,913,051	26,230,580

There is no impairment provision for investments.

Bonds held are publicly traded and are valued at initial issuance cost.

16 Payables under exchange transactions	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current		
Trade creditors	243,270	347,224
GST payable/(receivable)		(98,940)
Total payables under exchange transactions	243,270	248,284

Trade creditors and other payables are non-interest bearing and normally settled on 30 day terms; therefore their carrying amount approximates

17 Employee entitlements	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current		
Accrued Salaries	150,490	103,148
Taxes Payables	(14,209)	(4,724)
Leave entitlements	294,012	251,006
Total employee entitlements	430,293	349,430

Short-term employee entitlements represent the Diocese's obligation to its current and former employees that are expected to be settled within 12 months of balance date. These mainly consist of accrued holiday entitlements at the reporting date.

18 Deferred revenue	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Rent Received in advance	59,450	51,348
Licence to Occupy deferred income	12,822	13,572
Unexpended grants	99,768	253,682
Total Deferred Revenue	172,040	318,602

Unexpended Grants represent grants received with conditions that have not yet been met and may require the grants to be repaid.

19 Licence to Occupy Obligation	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Licence to Occupy Obligation	597,529	578,171
Total obligation under the Licence to Occupy	597,529	578,171

The Group operates a retirement facility in Blenheim under Occupation Right Agreements (ORA). The refundable portion of an ORA relates to the amounts owing to the resident if the agreement was terminated. The liability is non-interest bearing.

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Notes to the financial statements**20 Non- Group Trusts and Unallocated Investment Gains**

These Trusts are managed by NDTB but the beneficial interests are not within the Group.

	2024			
	Call	Permanent Income	Permanent - Capital	Unallocated Gains
Mapua Hills Community Church	25,576	4,546	16,884	321
St Andrews Family Trust	-	118,524	814,846	15,479
Port Nelson Mission To Seafarers Funds	7,261	-	-	-
Mary C Foster-Barham Fund	-	106,049	1,183,654	22,485
Bishop Of Nelson Trust Fund	-	13,018	10,012	190
Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu	-	59,556	85,862	1,631
Total 31 December 2024	32,838	301,694	2,111,257	40,106

	2023			
	Call	Permanent Income	Permanent Capital	Unallocated Gains
Mapua Hills Community Church	24,429	4,238	16,816	284
St Andrews Family Trust	-	97,549	1,037,354	17,537
Port Nelson Mission To Seafarers Funds	7,785	-	-	-
Mary C Foster-Barham Fund	-	96,458	1,178,844	19,929
Bishop Of Nelson Trust Fund	-	9,562	9,971	169
Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu	-	53,214	85,513	1,446
Total 31 December 2023	32,214	261,021	2,328,498	39,365

21 Restricted Funds and Revaluation Reserves

	Group	
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Restricted Funds	60,924,127	60,330,480
Revaluation Reserves	63,499,164	61,535,638
Total restricted funds and revaluation reserves	124,423,291	121,866,118

(a) Restricted Funds

The restricted fund reserve within equity represents the balance of public donations and bequests, whereby at the request of the donor the principal donation must be retained for specific purposes within the Group and only income earned on the investments can be used for charitable purposes. Some of the income accounts are also restricted in their purpose. In some instances the Trustees have allocated funds to a restricted purpose and these are also shown as restricted funds in the financial statements. These funds have therefore been separated from the Accumulated Funds of the Group.

All income and expenditure in relation to restricted funds is first recognised in the reported surplus or deficit for the year, then taken to Accumulated Funds. The net balance of restricted fund activities for the year is then transferred to the "Restricted Funds" within the Statement of Changes in Equity.

	Group	
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening balance	60,330,480	60,392,198
Movement in the Restricted Funds for the year	593,647	(61,718)
Closing balance restricted funds	60,924,127	60,330,480

(b) Land and Building Revaluation Reserves

Each year the Parishes and the Diocese review the land and building held (not Investment Property) and reflect the carrying amount to rateable values as provided by the relevant local authority. The change in value is then reflected in revaluation reserves. If any property is sold then the amount carried in the revaluation reserve will also be transferred to comprehensive income. This reserve cannot fall into deficit.

	Group	
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening balance	61,535,638	55,818,004
Movement in Revaluation Reserves for the year	1,963,526	5,717,634
Closing balance revaluation reserves	63,499,164	61,535,638

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22 Contingent assets and contingent liabilities

The New Zealand Government has set up a Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care to look into what happened to children, young people and vulnerable adults in State and faith based care in Aotearoa New Zealand between the years of 1950 -1999. During 2023 and the start of 2024 the Nelson Anglican Diocese received several claims regarding historical physical, emotional, and sexual abuse against vulnerable people by employees and appointees of the Diocese. The Diocese takes these claims seriously and is carrying out investigations and entering mediation where appropriate for redress regarding these claims.

23 Commitments

Capital expenditure contracted for at the end of the reporting period but not yet incurred is as follows:	Group	
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Property, plant and equipment	-	-
Total	-	-

The Diocese is looking to earthquake strengthen the Cathedral in Nelson. Professional advice is being sought on how this can be undertaken and the estimated cost of the work. This professional advice is ongoing and has not yet been finalised. As parts of the Cathedral building are rated below the earthquake prone building threshold the Nelson City Council has issued an earthquake prone building notice. This notice requires the Diocese to complete earthquake strengthening work by 25 October 2041. The Diocese has obtained an indicative estimate for this work that amounts to approximately \$16m.

24 Related Party Transactions

Related party transactions arise when an entity or person(s) has the ability to significantly influence the financial and operating policies of the Diocese, or the entities are subject to common control.

Related party disclosures have not been made for transactions with related parties that are within a normal supplier relationship on terms and condition no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the Diocese would have adopted in dealing with the party at arm's length in the same circumstances.

25 Operating Leases

Operating Leases are held by Trust Board for the commercial property which is leased to arms length parties. The future non-cancellable minimum lease payments of operating as lessor at reporting date are \$6,442,386 (2023 \$5,047,604). As shown in the table below.

The Diocese leases the property at Halifax Street with a lease that expires 27/6/2026. The rental payable at balance date was \$117,300 (2023 \$193,500). As shown in the table below.

	Group	
	2024 \$	2023 \$
<i>Non-cancellable operating leases are receivable as follows:</i>		
Less than one year	1,688,824	1,628,229
Between one and five years	4,083,313	2,785,056
More than five years	670,249	634,319
Total rental income due under existing leases	8,442,386	5,047,604
<i>The Diocese leases the property at Halifax Street with a lease that expires 27/6/2026</i>		
<i>Non-cancellable operating leases are payable as follows:</i>		
Less than one year	76,200	76,200
Between one and five years	39,100	117,300
Total rental payable due under existing leases	117,300	193,500

26 Key Management Personnel

The governing body of the Group is the Nelson Anglican Synod (members 120 people) which meets on an annual basis and is made up of three arms - laity (volunteers), clergy and the Bishop. The total remuneration (stipend, car, pension, insurance and housing) of Senior Management and Clergy, 19.25 Full Time Equivalent (2023 19.4 FTE), able to influence the Synod is \$1,492,697 (2023 \$1,474,448).

Diocese Of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)**Notes to the financial statements****27 Events after the reporting period**

Subsequent to balance date the Diocese became aware that one of the group's investment properties, with a carrying value of \$5.3m, may have a lower New Building Standard (NBS) seismic threshold than was reported to the Diocese in prior years. A draft detailed seismic assessment report has been received which confirmed that initial indications are that certain structural elements may be below the minimum 34% NBS. This would classify the property as earthquake-prone under current legislation. This may reduce the value of the building due to the requirement to at some stage effect seismic strengthening. The cost of both seismic strengthening and any related impairment of the building value will be unknown until the detailed seismic assessment is completed and any remedial works are costed.

Because any seismic deficiencies would have existed at balance date, this represents an adjusting event under PBE IPSAS 14 - Events after the Reporting Date. However, at the date these financial statements are authorised for issue, the detailed seismic assessment has not been completed and the financial impact on the year-end fair value of the property cannot yet be reliably measured. Accordingly, no adjustment has been made to the carrying amount of the investment property at balance date. The eventual impact may be material and will be recognised once sufficient information becomes available to determine a reliable fair value measurement.

28 Forestry Rights

Four parishes of the Diocese of Nelson have interests in three forest blocks, in one of the three forest blocks two parishes share a 50/50 right. At harvest time the funds generated will be available for the general purposes of the parishes. There are Forest Right agreements in place with each of the land owners the forests are on. The agreements set out the term of the forest right and how the net proceeds from harvesting are shared by the land owner and parish. Forest rights are:

	<u>Start</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Parish Return</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Location</u>
Awatere Parish	1 April 2000	40 years	70%	4.12 ha	Awatere Valley
Havelock Parish	1 January 1995	32 years	80%	6 - 8 ha (estimate)	Crail Bay
Victory and Reefton Parishes	1 August 2006	20 years	75%	2 ha	Murchison

29 Investment Policy

The Trustees of NDTB are charged with delivering intergenerational preservation of capital as bequeathed to the Anglican Diocese and income distributions to provide income for the work of the Parishes and the Diocese. NDTB trustees have a mandate to ethically invest to optimise for long term sustainable cash flows: both capital and income. In doing so they have regard for financial risk, interest risks and credit risks. The Trustees have made investments in Commercial Properties, Equities and Fixed Interest Securities. Bonds and Fixed Interest Securities are lodged with significant organisations including Banks, Infrastructure and Energy Bonds. Bond Investments can only be lodged with organisations who have a minimum rating of BBB (unsubordinated). Trust Board also has some mortgages secured by property.

30 Provision**2024**

Refer to Note 22 for further information on contingent liability provided for.

	Group	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Opening balance	400,000	-
Provision made during the year		400,000
Provisions used during the year	(270,000)	-
Provisions reimbursed during the year		(216,072)
Closing balance	130,000	400,000



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Synod of Diocese of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the consolidated general purpose financial report of Diocese of Nelson (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia) (the Diocese) and its controlled entities (the Group) which comprise the consolidated financial statements on pages 12 to 31, and the consolidated service performance information on pages 2 to 11. The complete set of consolidated financial statements comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive revenue and expense, consolidated statement of changes in net assets and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying consolidated general purpose financial report presents fairly, in all material respects:

- * the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2024, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended; and
- * the consolidated service performance of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2024 in accordance with the entity's service performance criteria

in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Valuation of Land and Buildings

The consolidated financial statements records a balance of \$71,055,839 for Property, Plant and Equipment - land and buildings, being the latest rateable valuation. This is a departure from *PBE (NZ) IPSAS 17* which permits property plant and equipment to be measured at cost or fair value less accumulated depreciation and impairment. The rateable value may differ materially from the fair value less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Fair value is determined by market evidence or in the case of specialised buildings and other man-made structures, fair value may be estimated using depreciated replacement cost, or the restoration cost or service units approaches. The potential effects, if any, on property, plant and equipment and reserves have not been determined.

Completeness of Cash Donations Revenue

Cash offerings are a significant source of revenue for the Group. Control over such revenue prior to being recorded is limited. Consequently, there were no practical audit procedures we could perform to confirm independently that all cash donation revenue items were properly recorded. Accordingly, we were unable to determine the completeness of cash revenue and related cash flows.

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We conducted our audit of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)) and the audit of the consolidated service performance information in accordance with the ISAs (NZ) and New Zealand Auditing Standard (NZ AS) 1 *The Audit of Service Performance Information*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated General Purpose Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand)* issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Group.

Emphasis of Matter – Subsequent Event

We draw attention to Note 27 of the financial statements, which describes the discovery after balance date of seismic deficiencies in one of the group's investment properties. As described in that note, because such deficiencies would have existed at balance date, this represents an adjusting event under *PBE IPSAS 14 – Events after the Reporting Date*. At the date these financial statements were authorised for issue, the financial effect on the fair value of the property at balance date cannot be reliably measured. Accordingly, no adjustment has been made to the carrying value of the investment property. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Information Other Than the Consolidated General Purpose Financial Report and Auditor's Report

The Standing Committee are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the consolidated general purpose financial report does not cover the other information included in the annual report and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion on the other information. At the time of our audit, there was no other information available to us.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated general purpose financial report, if other information is included in the annual report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated general purpose financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of our auditors' report, we concluded that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

Standing Committee' Responsibilities for the Consolidated General Purpose Financial Report

The Standing Committee are responsible on behalf of the Group for:

- (a) the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements and consolidated service performance information in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board;
- (b) service performance criteria that are suitable in order to prepare consolidated service performance information in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime; and
- (c) such internal control as the Standing Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the consolidated financial statements and consolidated service performance information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated general purpose financial report, the Standing Committee are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Standing Committee either intend to liquidate the Diocese or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated General Purpose Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole and the consolidated service performance information are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of this consolidated general purpose financial report.

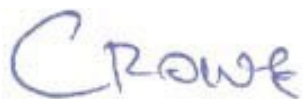
As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- * Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements and the consolidated service performance information, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- * Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit of the consolidated financial statements and the consolidated service performance information in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- * Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- * Obtain an understanding of the process applied by the entity to select what and how to report its consolidated service performance.
- * Evaluate whether the service performance criteria are suitable so as to result in consolidated service performance information that is in accordance with the Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime.
- * Conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Standing Committee and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated general purpose financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- * Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated general purpose financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated general purpose financial report represents the underlying transactions, events and service performance information in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- * Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information and service performance information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated general purpose financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for the audit opinion.

We communicate with the Standing Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Restriction on Use

This report is made solely to the Group's Synod, as a body. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Group's Synod those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Group and the Group's Synod as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Crowe New Zealand Audit Partnership

Dated at Nelson this 4th day of December 2025

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NELSON DIOCESE TRUST BOARD FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Nelson Diocesan Trust Board
Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2024**

Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

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Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Statement of Service Performance

For the year ended 31 December 2024

The Nelson Diocesan Trust Board is incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 and is an authorised Trust Board under the Private Act "Anglican Church Trusts Act 1981." While the Trust Board is the registered legal owner of Diocese and Parish Property, these properties are held on behalf of these entities and are recognised in their Financial Statements and not in the Trust Board.

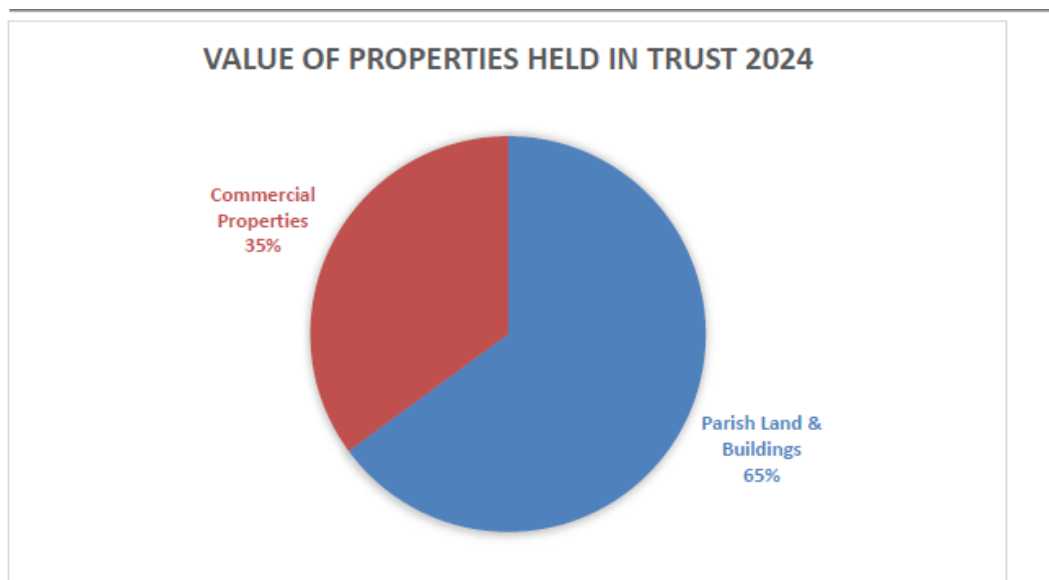
The Trust Board has two main purposes.

To hold parish properties and review proposals for property transactions (sale, purchase, construction, renovation, easements and boundary adjustments) requiring a level of due diligence be carried out to ensure prudent decisions and transactions.

To prudently manage the Diocesan permanent trusts and parish call deposits in line with their establishing documentation.

Property Held In Trust*¹

Type of Property	2024 \$	2023 \$
Churches & Halls	65,047,001	63,193,734
Commercial Properties	35,666,201	35,767,201
Total	100,713,202	98,960,935

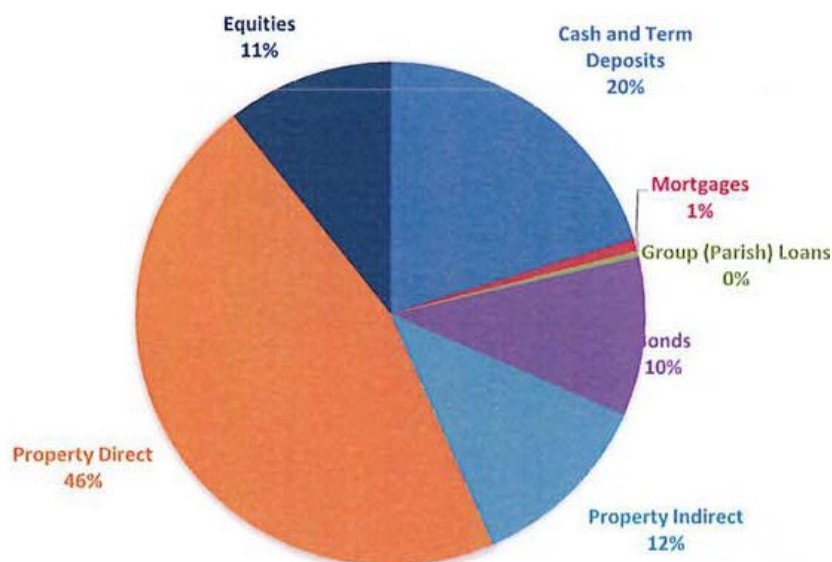


*1 Note parish properties including parish commercial properties are shown in their Statement of Financial Position rather than the Board's. In addition all parish properties are shown at rateable value while trust commercial properties are shown at market value.

Trust Investments

Type of Investment	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash and Term Deposits	13,140,175	17,275,545
Mortgages	507,152	839,213
Group (Parish) Loans	251,671	285,096
Bonds	6,680,896	5,320,896
Property Indirect	7,685,468	7,968,018
Property Direct	29,946,875	30,116,875
Equities	6,912,616	3,139,515
Total	65,124,853	64,945,158

TRUST INVESTMENTS BY TYPE 2024



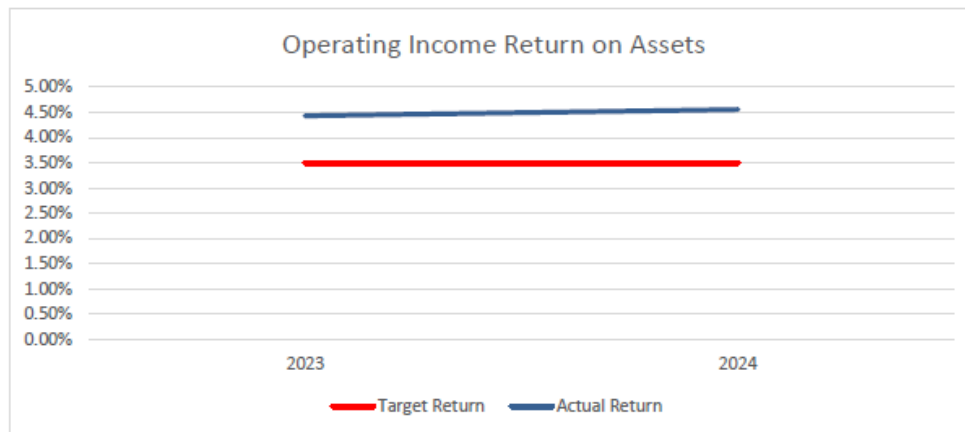
Assistance With Parish Property Matters

Type of Assistance	2024	2023
Property Sales/Purchase or Offers	0	4
Refurbishment /Earthquake Strengthening	3	3
Social Housing Developments	0	3
Other	6	7
Total	9	17

Operating Income Return on Investments

Net Operating Income as a percentage of investments

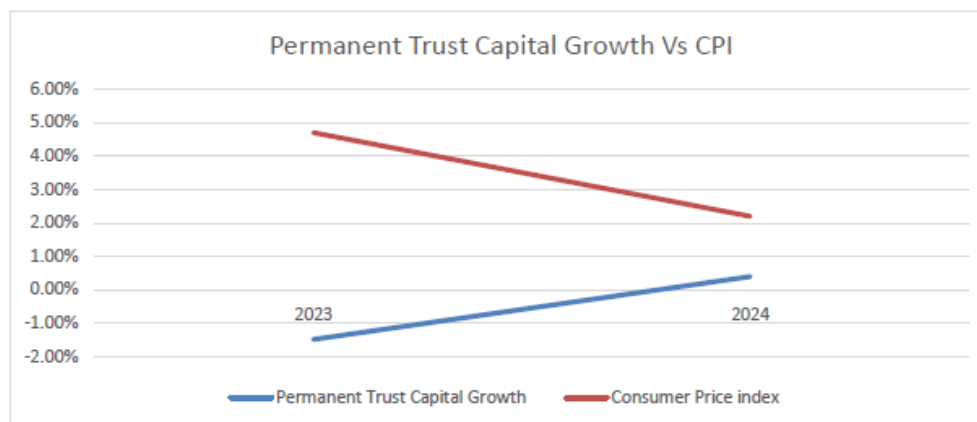
Target %	2024 %	2023 %
3.50%	4.56%	4.43%



Capital Growth of Permanent Trusts

Permanent Trust Capital Growth*²
Consumer Price Index

2024 %	2023 %
0.40%	-1.48%
2.20%	4.70%



It should be noted that the negative capital growth in 2023 is the result of the continued decline in property values in New Zealand. Property prices almost stabilised in 2024 and the Board expects some increases in 2025 depending on world political and economic events. The Board continues to review its Strategic Asset Allocation which is likely to increase the portion of Trust assets held in capital growth investments as well as a diversification in such investments.

*² On the capital opening balance of permanent trusts to exclude additions to capital made by bequests and donations during the financial year.

Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
REVENUE FROM EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS			
Rental Income Dividend		2,280,318	2,162,806
Income Other Income		544,386 75	443,881 0
Total revenue from exchange transactions		2,824,779	2,606,687
REVENUE FROM FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Interest Income	6	1,188,035	1,104,003
TOTAL REVENUE		4,012,814	3,710,690
EXPENSES			
Property Costs		697,207	558,578
Overhead and administrative expenses		349,570	274,805
TOTAL EXPENSES	5	1,046,777	833,383
Trust Income allocation to Non-Group Entities	6	112,651	74,390
Trust Income allocation to Group Entities	6	3,009,545	1,855,085
TOTAL COSTS FROM FINANCE ACTIVITIES		(3,122,196)	(1,929,475)
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(156,159)	947,832
OTHER GAINS/(LOSSES)			
Gain/(Loss) on Trust Management	7	(282,550)	(970,840)
Gain/(loss) on fair value of Investment properties	7	(170,000)	46,906
Gain/(loss) on financial Instruments at fair value through surplus or deficit	7	668,691	115,676
TOTAL OTHER GAINS/(LOSSES)		216,141	(808,258)
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		59,982	139,574
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES			
<i>Movements that will be reclassified to surplus or deficit in subsequent periods</i>		-	-
Total other comprehensive revenue and expense		-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR		59,982	139,574

These financial statements have been authorised for issue by Trust Board on 27 August 2025.

Chairperson

Date

Trustee

Date

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	495,175	1,979,433
Receivables from exchange transactions	9	455,229	384,811
Prepayments		173,813	165,535
Other current financial assets	12	5,542,365	6,366,600
Total current assets		6,666,582	8,896,378
Non-current			
Investment properties	10	29,946,875	30,116,875
Other non-current financial assets	12	29,140,438	26,482,251
Total non-current assets		59,087,313	56,599,126
TOTAL ASSETS		65,753,895	65,495,504
LIABILITIES			
Current			
Payables under exchange transactions	13	155,044	75,301
Deferred revenue	14	59,450	51,348
Call Deposits - Group	15	5,340,566	5,240,899
Call Deposits - Non-Group	15	32,838	32,214
Permanent Trusts Income - Group	17	4,210,423	4,056,829
Permanent Trusts Income - Non-Group	17	301,694	261,021
Other current financial liabilities	16	674,244	874,423
		10,774,259	10,592,035
Non-current			
Permanent Trusts Capital - Group	17	51,861,785	51,628,359
Permanent Trusts Capital - Non-Group	17	2,111,257	2,328,498
Unallocated Comprehensive Income	18	1,006,594	946,612
Total non-current liabilities		54,979,636	54,903,469
TOTAL LIABILITIES		65,753,895	65,495,504
NET ASSETS		-	-

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Statement of Changes in Unallocated Comprehensive Income For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening Balance		946,612	807,038
Surplus/ (deficit) for the year		59,982	139,574
Total comprehensive revenue and expense		59,982	139,574
UNALLOCATED COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AT YEAR END	18	1,006,594	946,612

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.



Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash flow from operating activities			
<i>Cash was provided from/(applied to):</i>			
Receipts from goods and services provided, exchange transactions Interest and dividends received		2,244,066	2,117,625
Payments to suppliers		(967,887)	(748,286)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities		2,833,707	2,765,861
Cash flow from investing activities			
<i>Cash was provided from/(applied to):</i>			
Proceeds from Minor Loans		342,727	1,828,566
Proceeds from realisation of financial assets		5,372,734	11,667,957
Purchase of investment property		-	(113,094)
Purchase of financial assets		(7,081,621)	(15,406,058)
Movement in Trust Accounts		(2,951,805)	(1,926,013)
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities		(4,317,965)	(3,948,642)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(1,484,258)	(1,182,781)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year		1,979,433	3,162,214
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	8	495,175	1,979,433



Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Notes to the financial statements

1. Reporting entity

These financial statements comprise the financial statements of Nelson Diocesan Trust Board Inc. (the "Trust Board") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Trust Board is Incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 and is an authorised Trust Board under the Private Act "Anglican Church Trusts Act 1981". While Trust Board is the registered legal owner of Diocese and Parish Property, these properties are held on behalf of these entities and are recognised in the their Financial Statements and not in Trust Board.

2. Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Tier 2 Public Benefit Entity (PBE) Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the New Zealand External Reporting Board (XRB). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Public Sector Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime (NZ IPSAS with RDR) and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards as appropriate to Public Benefit Entities.

The Trust Board is deemed a public benefit entity for financial reporting purposes, as its primary objective is to provide services to the community for social benefit and has been established with a view to supporting that primary objective rather than a financial return.

Trust Board is eligible to report in accordance with Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards on the basis that it does not have public accountability and annual expenditure does not exceed \$33 million.

(b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical costs basis, except for some assets and liabilities that have been measured at fair value.

The accrual basis of accounting has been used unless otherwise stated and the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

(c) Presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars.

(d) Comparatives

The comparative financial period is 12 months.

(e) Changes in accounting policies

The Trust Board has not adopted any standards or interpretations on issue that are not yet effective. The standards are expected to be adopted in the period in which they become mandatory.

Changes affecting the Trust Board in the future are:

Disclosure of Fees for Audit Firms' Services (Amendments to PBE IPSAS 1) will be effective for reporting periods after 1 January 2024. This change will increase the disclosure requirements around services received from the audit firm to improve transparency and consistency.

Nelson Diocesan Trust Board

Notes to the financial statements

3 Summary of significant accounting policies

The accounting policies of the Trust Board been applied consistently to all years presented in these financial statements.

The significant accounting policies used in the preparation of these financial statements are summarised below:

(a) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held on call with banks with original maturities of three months or less, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

The Trust Board has no bank overdraft facilities.

(b) Financial instruments - initial recognition and subsequent measurement

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

The Boards financial assets include: cash, short- and long-term deposits, trade and other receivables, owner occupier and other mortgages, group loans and bonds. All financial assets are recognised initially at fair value.

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost; Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expenditure (FVOCRE)- debt investment; FVOCRE - equity investment; or Fair Value Through Surplus or Deficit (FVTSD). Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Trust Board changes its management model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the management model.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTSD:

- It is held within a management model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- It's contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A debt investment is measured at FVOCRE if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTSD:

- It is held within a management model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- It's contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Board may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in the investment's fair value in OGRE. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCRE as described above are measured at FVTSD. On initial recognition, the Company may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCRE as at FVTSD if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Subsequent measurement

Financial assets classified as measured at amortised cost are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income and impairment losses are recognised in surplus or deficit. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in surplus or deficit.



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Impairment of non-derivative financial assets

The Board recognises loss allowances for Expected Credit Losses (ECLs) on:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost; and
- debt investments measured at FVOCRE.

The Board measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are measured at 12-month ECLs:

- debt securities that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- other debt securities and bank balances for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Board considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Board's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

The Board assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due without explanation.

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

12-month ECLs are the portion of ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the Instrument is less than 12 months).

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Board is exposed to credit risk.

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Board expects to receive).

ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Board assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost and debt securities at FVOCRE are credit-impaired.

Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through surplus or deficit, payables, loans and borrowings, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of payables and loans and borrowings, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Board's financial liabilities include trade and other payables and loans and borrowings (including bank overdrafts).

In addition, Funds are held and managed by the Trust Board on behalf of Board and non-Board entities. Although the Trust Board is the legal owner of the Investment Assets, the Trust Board has no beneficial interest in these assets and therefore the funds invested are held as liabilities by the Trust Board. See notes 17, 18 & 19 for the details of such liabilities.

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Subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities at fair value through surplus or deficit

Financial liabilities at fair value through surplus or deficit include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are incurred for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term. This category also includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Board that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships as defined by PBE IPSAS 29. Separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments.

Gains or losses on liabilities held for trading are recognised in surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition at fair value through surplus or deficit are designated at the initial date of recognition, and only if the criteria in PBE IPSAS 29 are satisfied. The Board has not designated any financial liability as at fair value through surplus or deficit.

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

This is the category of financial liabilities that is most relevant to the Board. After initial recognition, trade and other payables and interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Gains or losses are recognised in surplus or deficit when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process. The effective interest rate amortisation is included as finance costs in the statement of financial performance.

Trade and other payables are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Due to their short-term nature they are not discounted.

The majority of the Boards liabilities are to the trusts for which they hold investments. These are paid interest rates dependant on the Boards returns which vary year to year. Their amortised cost is assuming to be their establishment cost.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, waived, cancelled, or expired. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, then such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of financial performance.

Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of financial instruments that are traded in active markets at each reporting date is determined by reference to quoted market prices or dealer price quotations (bid price for long positions and ask price for short positions), without any deduction for transaction costs. In the absence of an active market, the fair value of financial instruments is measured using valuation techniques with the objective of estimating what the transaction price would have been on the measurement date in an arm's length exchange motivated by normal operating considerations.

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(c) Property, plant and equipment

Trust Board has no property, plant or equipment. All land and buildings have a classification of Investment Property.

(d) Investment property

Investment property is property primarily held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both.

Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs.

Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value, which is based on active market prices, adjusted if necessary, for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset at the reporting date.

Fair value is determined annually by external professional valuers with sufficient experience with respect to both the location and the nature of investment property and supported by market evidence.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are recognised in surplus or deficit in the year in which they arise.

Investment properties are derecognised either when they have been disposed of or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit or service potential is expected from its disposal. While the property is available for sale but before the sale is unconditional the property will be held at the lower of fair value or estimated net sale proceeds.

(e) Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the Trust Board and revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received.

The following specific recognition criteria must be met before revenue is recognised:

Interest income

Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

Rental income

Rental income arising from rental premises is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Donated services

The operations of the Trust Board uses services provided by volunteers. Volunteer services received are not recognised as revenue or expenditure.

(f) Trust Income Allocation

All Trust Income allocations are expensed in the period they occur. The Trust Board pay interest on funds lodged with Trust Board by Group Entities and some minor Non-Group Entities.

(g) Trust Capital Allocation

The Board distributes both capital gains and losses to the trusts is due to the fact the Board is merely the vessel through which the various trusts own assets. The Board itself has no assets nor is it in a business of making money for itself. The Board holds onto the money of the trusts and invests the money into assets for the trusts not for itself. In a sense the Trust Board is merely a bare trust. While the assets are in the name of the Board the assets are ultimately owned by the trusts not the Board. Therefore, all profits or losses (whether capital or income) are the trusts and therefore under accounting standards must be "distributed" or allocated back to the trusts otherwise the equity value of trusts is over or understated. This is why in the statement of financial position there is no "Owners' Equity" as such as the Board owns nothing, and all trust equity is recorded as a liability to the Board."

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(h) Income tax

Due to its charitable status, the Trust Board is exempt from income tax.

(i) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

All amounts in these financial statements are shown exclusive of GST, except for receivables and payables that are stated inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Inland Revenue Department (IRD) is included as part of receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

4. Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with NZ IPSAS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Where material, information on significant judgements, estimates and assumptions is provided in the relevant accounting policy or provided in the relevant note disclosure.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Estimates are subject to ongoing review and actual results may differ from these estimates. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the year in which the estimate is revised and in future years affected.

The following are significant management judgements in applying the accounting policies of the Trust Board that have a significant effect on the financial statements:

Impairment

The Trust Board assess the impairment of all assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Trust Board and to the particular asset that might lead to impairment.

Fair value measurement of financial instruments

When the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the statement of financial position cannot be measured based on quoted price in active markets, the fair value is measured using valuation techniques including the discounted cash flow model. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

Revaluation of investment properties

The Trust Board carries its Investment Properties at fair value as assessed by independent valuers.

Property held for sale

The Trust Board evaluates each property on an annual basis and can have a property listed for sale at balance date. Any property which has an agreement to list or is under agreement to sell is shown as Property held for sale. These are recorded at market value.

5. Expenses

The following amounts were expensed in the surplus/(deficit) for the year:

Audit fees
Repairs and Maintenance - Investment Properties
Diocese Office Levy
Consultancy, vacancy costs and valuation fees - Investment
Properties Legal Fees

2024 \$	2023 \$
27,250	30,250
161,397	79,015
226,944	212,100
74,557	63,185
7,253	2,030

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6. Finance income and costs

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Financing Income		
Interest Income on Mortgages	51,591	126,909
Interest income on bank deposits	1,136,444	977,094
Total finance income	1188,035	1,104,003
Financing expenditure		
Interest expense - Group Trusts	(3,009,545)	(1,855,085)
Interest expense - Non Group Trusts	(112,651)	(74,390)
Total interest expense on borrowings	(3,122,196)	(1,929,475)
Total finance costs	(1,934,161)	(825,472)

Financing Expenditure represents distributions to Trusts. All Trusts and Call Funds receive an interest payment, while Permanent Trusts also receive their share of the fair value movements in the overall investment portfolio. The Group comprises Nelson Diocese, Parishes and Bishopdale Theological College which are all under common control.

7. Other Gains/Losses

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Gain/(Loss) on Trust Management	(282,550)	(970,840)
Gain/(loss) on financial instruments at fair value through surplus or deficit	668,691	115,676
Revaluations of Investment Properties (at market Value)	(170,000)	46,906
Total Other Gains/Losses	216,141	(808,258)

8. Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash at bank and in hand		
ANZ Cheque Account	22,101	30,282
Bank Call Accounts	473,074	1,949,151
Total cash and cash equivalents	495,175	1,979,433

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents approximates their fair value.

Cash at bank earns interest at floating rates on daily deposit balances.

9. Receivables from exchange transactions

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Trade debtors	426,918	347,243
Less expected credit loss provision	-	-
GST receivable	28,311	37,568
Total Receivables from exchange transactions	455,229	384,811

Trade debtors and other receivables are non-interest bearing and receipt is normally on 30 days terms. Therefore the carrying value of trade debtors and other receivables approximates its fair value.

As at 31 December 2024 all overdue receivables have been assessed for impairment and an allowance of \$0 has been made (2023 \$0). All receivables are subject to credit risk exposure.

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10. Investment property

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening balance	30,116,875	29,956,875
Fair value gain/ (loss) for the year	(170,000)	46,906
Transfers from/(to) Property Held for Sale	-	-
Additions/(Disposals) of Investment Property	-	113,094
Closing balance	29,946,875	30,116,875

Investment property includes real estate properties in New Zealand, which are held to earn rents and for capital appreciation purposes. Lease are generally sought for a period of more than 5 years and rents are regularly assessed for market value. Rent reviews vary but all properties have a prescribed review process.

Trust Board has no restrictions on the realisability of its investment property and no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment property or for repairs, maintenance and enhancements.

Revaluations

Trust Board engaged Bayleys accredited valuers that use the International Valuation Standards Committee, International Valuation Standards as a reference, to determine the fair value of investment properties in line with NZ IPSAS Market Value.

In determining fair value, the expected net cash flows applicable to each investment property have been discounted to the present value using a market determined, risk adjusted, discount rate applicable to the respective asset.

For some of the Investment Property held, there was a lack of comparable market data. A significant degree of judgement was applied by the independent Valuer to determine the investment property fair value. Changes in these assumptions could materially impact the reported fair value of the Investment Property.

Nelson Properties

Discount rate

8% 7.75%

Capitalisation rate

6.75% 6.50%

Dunedin Properties

Discount rate

7.25-8.25% 7-8.5%

Capitalisation rate

5.25-7% 5-7%

Christchurch Properties

Discount rate

7.75-8.5% 7.75-

8.75%

Capitalisation rate

6.25-7.75% 6-7.5%

Significant increases (decreases) in estimated rental value and rent growth per annum in isolation would result in a significantly higher (lower) fair value of the properties. Significant increases (decreases) in long-term vacancy rate and discount rate (and exit yield) in isolation would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value.

11 Operating Leases

Operating Leases are held by Trust Board for the commercial property which is leased to arms length parties.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Less than one year	1,688,824	1,628,229
Between one to five years	4,083,313	2,785,056
Over five years	670,249	634,319
Total Operating Leases	6,442,386	5,047,604

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12. Other financial assets

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<i>Amortised Cost</i>		
Bank Term Deposits	4,775,000	6,001,113
Mortgages	34,000	323,375
Owner Occupier Mortgages	9,081	8,687
Group Loans	24,284	33,425
Bonds	700,000	-
Total other current financial assets	5,542,365	6,366,600

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Other non-current financial assets		
<i>Amortised Cost</i>		
Bank Term Deposits	7,870,000	9,295,000
Mortgages	455,400	489,400
Owner Occupier Mortgages	8,671	17,751
Group Loans	227,387	251,671
Bonds	5,980,896	5,320,896
<i>Financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit</i>		
Trust Investments Property Fund	7,685,468	7,968,018
JB Were Funds	6,912,616	3,139,515
Total other non-current financial assets	29,140,438	26,482,251

There is no expected credit loss provision for investments as at 31 December 2024 (2023: \$Nil).

13. Payables under exchange transactions

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<i>Current</i>		
Trade creditors and accrued expenses	155,044	75,301
Total payables under exchange transactions	155,044	75,301

Trade creditors and other payables are non-interest bearing and normally settled on 30 day terms; therefore their carrying amount approximates their fair value.

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14. Deferred revenue

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Deposit received on		
Property Sale Rent	-	-
received in advance	59,450	51,348
Total income in advance	59,450	51,348

BP Oil in Advance Payment for Cumberland (2023: \$51,348).

15. Call Deposits

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Diocese of Nelson	1,562,353	1,546,816
Parishes of Nelson Diocese	3,682,057	3,654,089
Bishopdale Theological College (BTC)	96,156	39,994
Total call deposits - Group	5,340,566	5,240,899
		24,429
Mapua Building Funds	25,577	
Port Nelson Mission to Seafarers Funds	7,261	7,785
Total call deposits - Non Group	32,838	32,214

These deposits represent Trust funds invested on behalf of the associated entities by Trust Board.

16. Other Current Financial Liabilities

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Diocese of Nelson - Current Account	674,244	874,423
Total Other Current Financial Liabilities	674,244	874,423

This liability represents the current account held by Trust Board on behalf of the Nelson Diocese.



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17. Financial Liabilities - Trust Capital

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Diocese of Nelson		
Parishes of Nelson Diocese	2,868,186	2,803,123
Bishopdale Theological College	1,340,110	1,250,167
(BTC)	2,127	3,539
Total Permanent Trusts Income - Group	4,210,423	4,056,829
Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu	59,556	53,214
Mary C Foster-Barham Fund	106,049	96,458
St Andrews Family Trust	118,524	97,549
Mapua Building Funds	4,547	4,238
Bishop Of Nelson Trust Fund	13,018	9,562
Total Permanent Trusts Income - Non Group	301,694	261,021
Total Permanent Trusts Income	4,512,117	4,317,850
Diocese of Nelson	42,958,977	42,768,265
Parishes of Nelson Diocese	8,329,264	8,289,580
Bishopdale Theological College (BTC)	573,544	570,516
Total Permanent Trust Capital - Group	51,861,785	51,628,359
Hui Amorangi o Te Waipounamu	85,862	85,513
Mary C Foster-Barham Fund	1,183,654	1,178,844
Mapua Building Funds	16,883	16,816
Bishop Of Nelson Trust Fund	10,012	9,971
St Andrews Family Trust	814,846	1,037,354
Total Permanent Trust Capital - Non Group	2,111,257	2,328,498
Total Permanent Trusts Capital	53,973,042	53,956,857
Permanent Trust Income (on Call)	4,512,117	4,317,850
Permanent Trust Capital	53,973,042	53,956,857
	58,485,159	58,274,707

The Mary C Foster- Barham Fund has been transferred to Trust Board to hold and invest the funds for the beneficiaries of the Trust being the elderly and children of the Nelson and Richmond Region. Trust Board has no beneficial interest in the fund. Permanent Trusts are made up of two components - Capital and Income derived from that capital. In accordance with the Trust, the Income portion only can be spent with the Capital portion held in perpetuity. The Capital portion is therefore a term liability but the Income portion can be spent within the next twelve month if it meets the requirements of the Trust.

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18 Unallocated Comprehensive Income

These funds represent gains in the Trust Board that have not been allocated to the Permanent Trusts balances. The unallocated Income would be allocated to Permanent Trust Income. As these funds are part of the Permanent Trust balances, in which the Trust Board does not have a beneficial interest, they are held as a liability in the Trust Board.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Unallocated Income	1,006,594	946,612
Total Unallocated Gains	1,006,594	946,612

(a) Unallocated Investment Property Revaluation Fund

The Unallocated Investment Property Revaluation Fund is used to record increases and decreases in the fair value of investment property to the extent that they offset each other (i.e. the reserve cannot fall into deficit).

Unallocated Income

The Unallocated Income represents income which has not been allocated to Trusts.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening balance	946,612	807,038
Other comprehensive income and expense movements		
Current year surplus/(deficit)	59,982	139,574
- Transfer to/(from) Insurance Reserves	-	-
- Transfer to/(from) Realised Capital Fund	-	-
- Transfer to/(from) Unrealised Capital Fund	-	-
Closing balance	1,006,594	946,612

19. Related party transactions

Related party transactions arise when an entity or person(s) has the ability to significantly influence the financial and operating policies of the Trust Board, or the entities are subject to common control.

The Trust Board has a related party relationship with its Trustees and the Nelson Diocese who appoints the Trust Board trustees.

The Trust Board receives management services from the Diocese of Nelson (Parent) and holds trust accounts and funds on behalf of the Diocese, BTC and Parishes within the Nelson Diocese. The transactions through these Funds are within the normal course of operations. Trust Board is the legal entity for the Diocese of Nelson and holds all the diocesan property, inclusive of Parish Property. Trust Board is the legal owner but all Parish Property registered in the name of the Board is included in the Parish accounts being the beneficial owner.

Related party disclosures have not been made for transactions with related parties that are within a normal supplier relationship on terms and condition no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the Trust Board would have adopted in dealing with the party at arm's length in the same circumstances.

Transactions with related parties

The following transactions were carried out with related parties:



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(a) Loans Provided to Parishes

The Trust Board provides loans to Parishes for the purposes of building projects. These are performing loans and are expected to be repaid during the prescribed periods agreed. Interest is charged on a quarterly basis at the same rates as ANZ residential rates.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
<i>Loans Provided to:</i>		
All Saints	30,260	49,920
Tahunanui	-	10,971
Victory	221,411	224,205
Total Loans to related Parties	251,671	285 096
Interest Paid to Trust Board by Parishes	13,757	15,1981

(b) Fees paid by Trust Board to Nelson Anglican Diocese

Trust Board pay an administration fee to The Nelson Diocese for the provision of financial and other services including computer costs, utilities and administrative costs, 2024 \$225,000 (2023 \$212,100).

No goods and services are sold by Trust Board to related parties.

(c) Interest Paid to Related Parties

	2024 \$	2023 \$
<i>Interest Paid to:</i>		
Parishes - local branches of the Parent	653,982	440,106
Diocese of Nelson - Parent Entity of the Trust Board	2,323,905	1,396,457
Bishopdale Theological College (Common Control)	31,658	18,522
Total interest paid to related parties	3,009,545	1,855,085

(d) Year end receivable/ (payable) with related parties

The only payable from Trust Board to related parties are the Trust Funds on deposit with Trust Board as per Notes 16 -18.

The Group Loans per Note 19(a) are loans provided by Trust Board to Parishes for the provision of buildings for Christian purposes.

(e) Other related party balances

Trustees

In the 2024 financial year there are no other related party transactions. (2023 Nil).

Trustees are providing their services without charge as a voluntary service to Trust Board.

At Balance date there are related party liabilities between members of the Group, being call deposits and Permanent Trust Income and Capital held by the Trust Board for other members of the Group, (see notes 16 and 18).

20. Contingent assets and contingent liabilities

2024: Nil. (2023: Nil)

21. Commitments

There were no commitments as at 31 December 2024. (2023: \$82,400).

22. Events after the reporting period

There were no significant events after the balance date 31 December 2024.



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www.crowe.nz**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT****To the Trustees of Nelson Diocesan Trust Board****Opinion**

We have audited the general purpose financial report of Nelson Diocesan Trust Board (the Trust Board) which comprise the financial statements on pages 5 to 21, and the service performance information on pages 2 to 4. The complete set of financial statements comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, and the statement of comprehensive revenue and expense, statement of changes in unallocated comprehensive income and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying general purpose financial report presents fairly, in all material respects:

- (q) the financial position of the Trust Board as at 31 December 2024, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended; and
- (r) the service performance of the Trust Board for the year ended 31 December 2024 in that the service performance information is appropriate and meaningful and prepared in accordance with the entity's measurement bases or evaluation methods

in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit of the financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)) and the audit of the service performance information in accordance with the ISAs (NZ) and New Zealand Auditing Standard (NZ AS) 1 (Revised) *The Audit of Service Performance Information*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the General Purpose Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Trust Board in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand)* issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Trust Board.

Information other than the General Purpose Financial Report and Auditor's Report

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the general purpose financial report does not cover the other information included in the annual report and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion on the other information. At the time of our audit, there was no other information available to us.

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In connection with our audit of the general purpose financial report, if other information is included in the annual report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the general purpose financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of our auditors' report, we concluded that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

Trustees' Responsibilities for the General Purpose Financial Report

The Trustees are responsible on behalf of the Trust Board for:

- (a) the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board;
- (b) the selection of elements/aspects of service performance measures and/or descriptions and measurement bases or evaluation methods that present service performance information that is appropriate and meaningful in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime;
- (c) the preparation and fair presentation of service performance information in accordance with the entity's measurement bases or evaluation methods, in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime;
- (d) the overall presentation, structure and content of the service performance information in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime; and
- (e) such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements and service performance information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the general purpose financial report, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the Trust Board's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the Trust Board or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the General Purpose Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 (Revised) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of this general purpose financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 (Revised), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and the service performance information, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- * Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements and the service performance information in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust Board's internal control.
- * Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- * Obtain an understanding of the process applied by the entity to select its elements/aspects of service performance, performance measures and/or descriptions and the measurement bases or evaluation methods.
- * Evaluate whether the selection of elements/aspects of service performance, performance measures and/or descriptions and measurement bases or evaluation methods present an appropriate and meaningful assessment of the entity's service performance in accordance with the Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime.
- * Conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Trustees and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust Board's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the general purpose financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust Board to cease to continue as a going concern.
- * Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the general purpose financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the general purpose financial report represents the underlying transactions, events and elements/aspects of service performance in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Trustees regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Restriction on Use

This report is made solely to the Trust Board's Trustees, as a body. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trust Board's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trust Board and the Trust Board's Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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Dated at Nelson this 29th day of August 2025

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STATEMENT OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE

Diocese of Nelson

Statement of Service Performance 2024

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B. Introduction

Purpose

This Statement of Service Performance (SSP) contains relevant non-financial information for the Nelson Anglican Diocese 2024 Financial Year. Preparation of this SSP is a requirement of the Charities Act 2005. The Nelson Anglican Diocese is a Tier 2 entity for reporting and this SSP has been prepared in line with Public Benefit Entity Financial Reporting Standard 48. This SSP aims to explain:

- Why the charity exists, what it wants to achieve, and how it wants to do that in a general sense
- What the charity actually did during the year to move closer to these goals

Who are we? - About the Nelson Anglican Diocese

The Diocese was formed in 1858 when the Letters Patent establishing Nelson as both a Diocese and as a City were signed. The first Bishop was installed in 1859. The role of an Anglican Bishop is to lead in serving and caring for the people of God and to work with them in the oversight of the Church.

In Nelson the diocese comprises of 23 parishes and one Mission District, each ministering within a defined geographical area. Each parish has a local management committee, called a vestry, made up of volunteers (lay members) and clergy. The Bishop provides spiritual oversight through the appointed clergy and lay leaders. A Bishop's Ministry team works across the diocese to support outcomes in parishes.

The Nelson Anglican Diocese is part of the wider Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, Te Hahi Mihinare ki Aotearoa ki Niu Tirenī, ki Nga Moutere o Te Moana Nui a Kiwa, a voluntary member of the compact of dioceses established by the Constitution of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia in 1857. This, in turn, is part of the world-wide Anglican Communion.

Hills Community Church, Mapua, is a Mission District within the Diocese. Whilst it operates as an independent charitable trust, it has a long connection to the Anglican Diocese and accesses the same oversight and support from the Diocese as the parishes.

Why do we exist? - Our Vision and Mission, Objectives, and Strategic focus

Our **mission** is to cultivate vibrant local communities of faith that radiate the good news of Jesus to the world around them.

Our **vision** is to see the Anglican Diocese of Nelson as a growing all-age whānau of disciples on the adventure of sharing Jesus Christ across the Top of the South and to the world.

Our key objectives

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia endorses the principles of mission as follows:

- (i) To proclaim the good news of the Kingdom; *Tell*
- (ii) To teach, baptise and nurture the new believers; *Teach*
- (iii) To respond to human needs by loving service; *Tend*
- (iv) To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation; *Transform*
- (v) To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth; *Treasure*.

These five marks of mission encompass the key question of what it means to be church.

Within that context, the Nelson Diocese has identified its strategic priorities into the following three **strategic focus** areas:

- Gather:** **Our Mission Pathway:** we are sensitive to, and respond to the needs of people, and we gather people into safe communities where they can explore the purpose and meaning of life
- Grow:** **Our Discipling Pathway:** we seek to teach, train and equip ordinary people to become mature contributors, in character and skill, to the work of transforming society and caring for creation
- Go:** **Our Leadership Pathway:** We seek to identify and invest in potential leaders of all ages, activating them as catalysts for change in the church and transformation in society.

What did we do? - Our Key Activities

Our key activities fit together as follows:

Mark of mission	Strategic Focus area	Description of activities	Examples of activities
Tell	Gather	Activities which have a community outreach focus based on education and training about God	• Bible in Schools • Alpha courses • Youth Spring Camp • Rest home chaplaincy/outreach
Teach	Grow <i>and</i> Go	Activities which increase the understanding, capacity and leadership of church members	• Church services • Small Groups • Church Youth groups • Discipleship training • Prayer groups
Tend	Gather	Activities which cater to the needs of all people in society, particularly those who are at disadvantage, are disconnected or who have suffered loss or	• Hospital chaplaincy • Children/Family events • Community Youth activities • Social services • Health services
Transform	Go	Activities which challenge structural barriers to promote social justice	• Community housing • Leadership development • Addressing historic abuse
Treasure	Gather	Activities which reflect stewardship of the environment and resources	• Repair Cafés • Op Shops • Sharing of church buildings/facilities with others

C. What did we do? – Our 2024 Focus Areas

Tell

“go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”

Matthew 28:16-18

Much of our gospel outreach work is delivered by our parishes reaching out to their local communities to promote the Gospel Message. This contributed to building a sense of whānau, contributing to social connectedness and spiritual wellbeing. Much of our outreach is relational – building social connections between people of different backgrounds, ages and family status.

There is a renewed focus on reaching young people and family groups – these are people for whom social connectedness can be easily lost. Church groups provide structured activities and relationships. Our investment in youth leadership development is beginning to translate into higher attendances in these groups.

Activities this year included:

Activity	Performance measure	Performance			Trend 23-24
		2022	2023	2024	
Children/Parent Groups	Attendance	2645	2149	6234	↗
Messy Church	Attendance	897	896	1090	↗
Bible in Schools	Attendance	564	2400	1430	↘
Youth – outreach	Attendance	1818	3200	2382	↘
Alpha Courses / Adult Outreach	Number	3	7	12	↗
	Attendance	260	934	1656	↗
Older adults/Rest Home services	Attendance	4876	2564	2874	↗

Of 31 reported ‘Tell’ activities, 16 reported growth, 18 reported stable numbers and only 2 reported declining numbers in 2024.

Teach

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

Timothy 3:16-17

A significant part of our work within our whanau occurs when we gather to be encouraged through teaching and fellowship. Last year Bishopdale College went through a transitional year which ended with three new partnership agreements being signed. The figures below show these new partnerships have resulted in significant growth in the number of Bishopdale students.

Church attendance was up again on last year, giving some encouragement that the church revitalisation programme has made a difference.

Activities this year included:

Activity	Performance measure	Performance			Trend 23-24
		2022	2023	2024	
Church services	Attendance	77,587	79,594	81,610	
Camps	Family camps Attendance ¹	Not held	190	166	
	#children	-	50	45	
	#youth	-	34	17	
	#family groups	-	34	42	
	Youth Camps ² Attendance	115	190	183	
Bishopdale College Students	# Formal:	23	16	37	
	# Informal:	5	5	3	
	# Interns:	14	7	12	
Ministry groups	All ministry attendance	18,310	12,066	15,137	
	Small group attendance	8,717	7,695	10,029	
Discipleship Pathways	# students	515	74	336	
	# enrolments	735	1,082	563	
	Web site visits	13,524	12,865	21,217	

Tend

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

Matthew 25:35

The Diocese and its parishes are involved in a wide range of activities that benefit people in our communities. Some parishes deliver social services themselves, using volunteers, others have more formal programmes with paid staff. The Diocese offers hardship grants and project funding for social services that tackle needs in our communities.

Our response to the economic downturn has reflected the challenges faced by people in our communities to pay for basics, such as food. In addition to over 6000 meals provided, over 1,430 food parcels were delivered.

Having the post of social services enabler filled early in 2024 has resulted in a significant increase in the number of hardship grants and their value. In 2024 197 people were assisted by the Diocese with the total value of hardship grants exceeding \$81,000.

¹ Includes convergence

² Includes Easter Camp and Spring Camp. Easter Camp did not run in 2022 due to covid-19.

Activities this year included:

Activity	Performance measure	Performance			Trend 23-24
		2022	2023	2024	
Providing meals	Number provided	2,737	5,112	6,117	↗
Food parcels		-	371	1,435	↗
Hardship Grants*	Number provided	98	61	197	↗
	Total value	\$39,945.	\$35,421	\$81,512	↗
Social activities	Number of groups	21	42	38	↗
	Attendance	8,184	9,006	13,163	↗
Craft groups	Participants	884	330	782	↗
Health and wellbeing	Participants	2,975	3,690	4,173	↗

*Hardship grants are direct purchase of goods and/or services by the Diocese for those in need. Some examples include: school uniforms, power, counselling, fuel supply, groceries, and out of school activities.

Transform

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free”

Luke 4:18

Transformation is most effective where there is a movement of people committed to social change. Church decline over the last several years has meant it has been harder to effect societal change. Our gather-grow-go strategy focuses on building capacity within the church community to enable this movement to develop and grow.

Activities this year included:

Activity	Performance measure	Performance			Trend 23-24
		2022	2023	2024	
Social housing projects	Number completed:	1 [†]	0	0	→
	Number investigated, but not completed:	2	3*	3*	→

[†]Victory Parish

*Wairau Valley, Wakefield and Golden Bay Parishes.

Treasure

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.

Psalm 24:1

The Diocese supports a range of activities that promote sustainable use of resource, including op shops and repair cafes. It also encourages other community groups to share the use of its facilities. The use of our buildings by community organisations and individuals continues to be strong even though the total number of organisations has decreased.

Activity	Performance measure	Performance			Trend 23-24
		2022	2023	2024	
Op shop/repair cafes	Hours open to public	1,911	1,570	1,663	
Community use of church buildings	Number of non-parish groups using buildings*	177	190	136	

*Groups/activities using church facilities this year included:

A&P Association	Alcoholics Anonymous	Antique Dealers	Art Groups	Birthday parties
Blood Doners	Brain Injury Association	Cake Decorating	Camera Club	Card Groups
Children's Programmes	Chinese Association	Citizenship Ceremonies	Community Concerts	Community Board Meetings
Counsellors	Craft Groups	Dancing Groups	Emergency Management	Exercise Groups
Filipino Community	Garden Club	Genealogy Group	Historical Society	Kapa Haka
Mainly Music	Multi-Cultural Festival	Narcotics Anonymous	Operation Cover Up	Oranga Tamariki
Other Chrisitan Denominations	Penguin Trust	Pilates	Polling Booth	Private Functions
Remedial Reading	Rose Society	Rural Women	School Prize Giving	Singing Groups
Tai Chi/Yoga	Toy Library	Training Groups and Events	Trefoil Guild	Women's Institute

Human Resource/Organisational Capability

In addition to the 5 marks of mission, the Diocese is committed to ongoing investment in its people to equip and enable them to deliver on our mission. Paid parish staff hours have increased during 2024 and while our number of volunteers has increased the Hours they do has decreased.

Activity	Performance measure	Performance			Trend 23-24
		2022	2023	2024	
Paid Parish Staff	Hours worked	93,960	90,346	81,402	
Volunteers	Number	1,015	1,266	1,796	
	Hours worked	84,084	92,012	71,337	
Leadership Conference attendees	Number	149	170	156	

D. Highlights from the year

Opportunity (Op) shops

Three parishes ran ops shops consistently during the 2024 year in the communities of Reefton, Murchison and Cobden. These op shops help the parishes to contribute to the treasure and tend marks of mission.

By giving an opportunity for items to be reused rather than dumped the shops help the parishes to safeguard the environment and sustain/renew life on the earth.

In addition, the shops provide quality second-hand products that help those who are financially struggling to afford everyday necessities such as clothes, kitchenware and other household items. In turn the cash generated by shops were used by parishes to help those in the community through food and fuel vouchers as well as firewood supplies. In this way parishes look after the human needs of their community.

It should be noted that parishes in Blenheim also provide opportunity for markets and repair cafes that also look after the planet and their communities.

Kids and Kai

Tāhunanui parish ran cooking lessons for vulnerable families teaching them how to provide nutritious meals on a budget. At the sessions the parent would be helped to make a meal while their children were engaged in a kid's activity programme. Once the meal was cooked the participants and their children would share in the meal.

Participants feed back to the volunteers that they had learnt, gained confidence and developed supportive networks. This programme tended to the needs of a very economically stressed community. In addition, one participant came to faith and is now part of the parish community.

E. Looking forward – Church Revitalisation 2025 Evangelism Focus

Bishop Steve's message to Synod 2024 was about Harvest in the Basket – that there was work needed in the church to be more intentional about evangelism. In response, members recognised that parishes needed training and equipping in running outreach events. A decision was made that committed parishes to consider engaging with Haere Mai: In addition, parishes will be encouraged to engage in Training, Prayer and Wayfinder Workshops during 2025

Haere Mai: In response to the Diocese wide initiative 'Haere Mai, Jesus matters, come and see', which arose from a motion in the 2024 Synod, every parish will be encouraged to apply for funding so they could participate in running at least one intentionally evangelistic initiative. Standing Committee prioritised this initiative and celebrated the exciting stories of people hearing the Good News of Jesus across the Diocese.

Training: Through use of the Ministry Education Budget training for evangelism will be offered to parishes during 2025 in three forms:

1. General training with tools and encouragement for parishioners to engage with their friends and families. To be run in Westcoast, Nelson and Blenheim locations.
2. Leadership training for clergy and key lay people to shift the culture in a parish to be more evangelistic. (Monthly on Thursday mornings)
3. New evangelists training

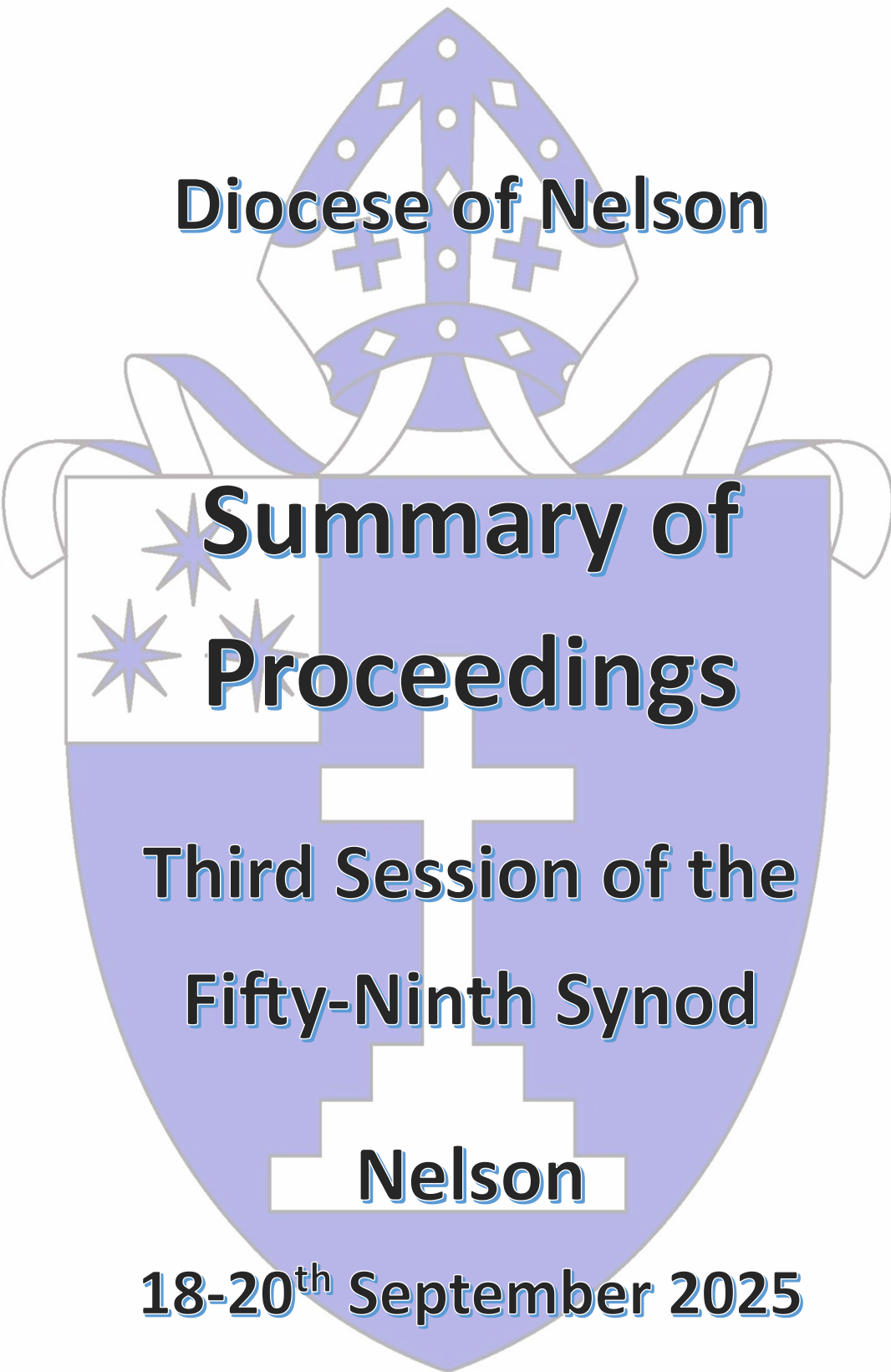
Prayer: The theme of 2024 Leadership Conference was “Going deeper with Jesus” with the focus being on prayer and commitment to spending time in the disciplines of prayer, reading Scripture and disciple making. Guest speakers and Bible study content were chosen to encourage these outcomes in 2025.

Wayfinder: The Bishop's Ministry Team will be delivering during 2025 a one-day workshop for parish leadership (lay and ordained) to clarify the vision and mission of their parish and develop skills in setting and reviewing mid- and short-term goals

F. Key Judgements

The Diocese carries out a wide range of activities and collects a wide range of statistics. It is not possible to summarise all of these in a meaningful way. Key judgements include:

1. Using the Marks of Mission as a framework for our activities. Whilst some non-financial measures do not fit well within this framework (for example organisational capacity building measures such as leadership training) it does allow a cross-section of our activities to be reported upon. It also allows some comparability with other Dioceses who use the same framework
2. Excluding theological and biblical foundation of the Church from the service performance measures information because the reporting focus is on the impact of the Church's activities on the community rather than on doctrinal issues.
3. Reporting on activities at a Diocesan level rather than individual parish level. This is because our Diocese is episcopally-led, with activities supported by both parish and diocesan staff.
4. Noting that some activities could contribute to multiple marks of mission. To avoid double counting we have made a judgement on which category to report those activities. Depending on the mode of delivery by individual workers and volunteers, similar activities could be categorised differently e.g. some elder care programmes focus just on church members (Teach) whilst others have a wider community outreach component (Tell).
5. Noting the Gather-Grow-Go strategy as it relates to the marks of mission rather than using that as a reporting framework. This is because the Diocesan Strategy is under review, and these may change.
6. Being selective with statistics generated by Hills Community Church. There is potential duplication with their own activity reporting, and we have restricted reporting in this document to activities in Hills Community Church that have Diocesan oversight or funding.

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Diocese of Nelson

**Summary of
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**Third Session of the
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Nelson

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SECTION FIVE – SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS



BISHOP'S CHARGE

TO NELSON DIOCESE SYNOD SERVICE, 18th SEPTEMBER 2025

Theme: Hearts That Burn

Key Text: Luke 24:32 — "*Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?*"

Introduction: Retracing the Journey

Kia ora whānau e te Karaiti,

Synod is like reaching a lookout on a long hike — a moment to pause, reflect on the journey so far, and look ahead to where God is leading us. We give thanks for all that's been achieved and for each of you who've prayed, served, and kept the dream alive. It's a privilege to be on this journey together with you.

Over the past three years, I've shared Charges with you that carried images many of you will remember. Three years ago, we named the reality of decline — *the hole in our bucket*. Two years ago, we lifted our eyes to hope — *hope in the boat* — and the revitalisation journey began. Last year, we saw signs of fruitfulness — *harvest in the basket* — and launched the Haere Mai project, calling us to intentional evangelism.

Each image marked a step in our journey as a Diocese: recognising our struggles, daring to hope, and stepping into mission. The revitalisation journey continues — and this year, the image shifts inward. I believe God is inviting us to a deeper work: to cultivate *hearts that burn* — hearts ablaze with passion for Jesus, for His Word, and for His mission.

While strategies and plans are vital, they are not enough. For the revitalisation road ahead, we need fresh fire. We need clear conviction. We need a renewed sense of passion.

Stories of Breakthrough

As I've travelled across the diocese and read your Yearbook reports, I've been so deeply encouraged. God is moving in so many parts of our church.

In Marlborough, at St Christopher's in Blenheim, a series of Haere Mai groups gathered more than thirty people each week — thirteen of them brand-new connections. Out of those groups sprang a Filipino Bible study and the first young adults group in years. On Pentecost Sunday, five people stood up to give testimony of how Jesus had changed their lives. Their hearts were burning with fresh faith.

In Nelson, at St Stephen's, Tahunanui, a programme called Kids and Kai taught vulnerable families how to cook affordable meals, while children were cared for. Out of that practical love, networks of support were formed — and one parent came to faith and joined the parish family. A fire was kindled around a kitchen table.

In Golden Bay, we've seen families respond to God's call to relocate, joining Mark and Kirsty in planting something new. Some left behind careers and community to follow Jesus into that mission. Their obedience is a living testimony that when hearts burn for Jesus, they burn for the communities he loves.

At the Cathedral, a reimagined Good Friday service with John Stainer's Crucifixion drew 230 people — nearly double the usual crowd, half of them newcomers. One left saying, "So Jesus died for me." In that moment, a heart was ignited by the beauty and truth of the Good News!

And in Havelock, four new families have unexpectedly moved in and committed themselves to the parish. This small rural parish, once struggling, suddenly saw new sparks of hope and life. God is not finished with us yet.

These are just a few of many green shoots we're noticing across the diocese. Baptisms are rising. People are being invited to explore faith through Alpha, Christianity Explored, and other ways. Leaders are being equipped. Communities are being reconnected with their parishes. These are signs of fire taking hold. Thank you for the part you play in extending God's mission.

The Reality of Battles

But alongside these breakthroughs, we cannot ignore the battles we also face.

We battle to find leaders. We battle to reach children and families. We battle to sustain ministry in remote rural communities. We battle for financial resources to do the Kingdom work God has called us to do. And we battle with the pain of letting go — pruning good ministries whose season is coming to its natural conclusion.

These battles are real. And I know many of you feel the weight of holding both joy and sorrow, growth and struggle, side by side. But friends, don't be discouraged by the presence of these challenges. Fire both warms and refines. Our struggles are the crucible in which passion is tested and strengthened.

Thank you for the part you play in contending for God's mission.

Earlier this year, I gathered the Standing Committee and the Trust Board together to face the facts of our situation. Together, they committed to finding a way through our financial, structural and governance challenges.

Recently, I invited three of our larger parishes to consider new models of parish oversight. Last week, I spent time with the vicars of these parishes, who have made a courageous commitment to a two-year learning community to explore how we might adapt the Resource Church model for our ongoing Revitalisation story within the diocese.

The Hinge: Why Passion Matters Now

That is why passion matters.

Because we are on a long journey, not a sprint. We're on a challenging adventure, not a comfortable holiday.

We are at an inflection point as a diocese. The Spirit is moving — we are seeing breakthroughs. And at the same time, the challenges we face are real. It is good, but it is also hard. And this is precisely why having hearts that burn with passion is so important right now.

Strategies and programmes are valuable, but they cannot sustain us through our tiredness, worries or disappointments. But what will sustain us is a fire in our hearts. Hearts ignited by Jesus. Hearts fuelled by the Word of God. And Hearts sparking with the Holy Spirit's fire to share the Good News.

As your Bishop, I hear you sharing both your excitement as people are being drawn to Jesus. And I hear your heartache as the future seems unclear in some of our parishes. But tonight, I want to say, Have heart! Don't lose your nerve! Don't lose heart!

As Jesus taught in Matthew 5 - "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot."

If we lose passion for Jesus and the work He is calling us to do in our diocese, then we will lose the energy that carries us forward. However, if we nurture that passion and stoke the flame, we will have the energy to go the distance.

Scripture: The Emmaus Encounter

Luke 24 tells us about two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They were discouraged, confused, and ready to retreat. Their hopes for redemption seemed crushed. They were walking away from Jerusalem, and away from the place of promise.

But Jesus himself drew near. They didn't recognise him at first, yet he walked with them, listened to their grief, and then opened the Scriptures. As he spoke, something stirred. Their hearts began to burn. And when he broke bread, they saw him clearly.

What did they do? They didn't stay put. They ran back to Jerusalem to share the good news. This passage shows us what God is calling us to in this season: to be a church whose hearts burn for Jesus, for the Word, and for the mission of God. Like those disciples, we may feel weary or uncertain, but Christ himself comes alongside us, rekindling the fire within each of us.

Firstly, we need Hearts that are ignited by Jesus

The fire begins with him.

The Emmaus disciples didn't recognise Jesus at first, but he was present with them in their confusion. And when they invited him in, their hearts began to burn within them.

Strategies and programmes will never be enough. We must walk with Jesus daily. Passion comes from our encounter and connection with him. It comes from inviting him into our pain, our longings, our ordinary lives – and letting him transform us daily.

I see this already across our diocese — in retreats being led, in small groups journeying together, in leaders calling for deeper prayer. But it begins for each of us personally: have you invited Jesus to walk with you? Do you notice his presence in the ordinary moments of your life? Are you inviting him to be Lord over all of your life?

The courage of the early disciples in Acts 4 was not a result of their training, but rather because they had been with Jesus. That is what ignites the heart. To be with Jesus, to linger in his presence, to cultivate intimacy with him — this is where the fire begins.

Secondly, we need Hearts that are fuelled by the Word of God.

The disciples on the road said, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he opened the Scriptures to us?" Passion without Scripture burns out. But passion fuelled by spending time in the Word endures.

This diocese has long been known for being grounded in Scripture and taking it seriously. And for us to remain passionate - That must not only continue, but it must deepen. I ask you: How will you bring the Word of God into your vestry meetings, leadership decisions, personal life, and preaching? How will you let the Word not just inform, but transform your life, and those around you?

The Word of God is our fuel. Without it, the fire in our hearts will flicker. With it, the fire grows hotter.

Let the Word dwell in you richly. Meditate on it. Journal it. Pray it. Obey it. Share it. Teach your children from it. Wrestle with it in your leadership. Let it become like Jeremiah said: "a fire in my heart, a fire shut up in my bones."

And thirdly, we need hearts that spark us into the World in Mission

When the disciples' hearts were burning, they did not stay in Emmaus. They ran back to Jerusalem.

When our hearts burn, we too will move outward — in evangelism, compassion, and service.

Let me share a story from my own journey.

After graduating from Bible College, I joined Nairobi Chapel, where Bishop Oscar mentored me. From day one, the message was clear: we are all called to go. In 1999, Watiri and I, with two other couples, were commissioned to plant a church in a growing suburb of Nairobi. We were warned: it will be tough, you'll want to give up, but don't come back. Keep the fire burning.

And it was tough. We delivered milk door to door to meet neighbours. Power cuts would often spoil the milk in our fridge. Every Sunday, we set up and packed down in a rented facility — it was exhausting. Both of our daughters were born during those years, so we were tired parents too. It was at times stretching, exhausting, and overwhelming.

But by God's grace, we saw lives changed. We started a pre-school to reach children. The gospel transformed a community. And it wasn't strategy or strength that carried us—it was passion, a fire in our hearts for Jesus and His mission.

When John Wesley's heart was "strangely warmed," he led the Methodist Revival, which was characterised by passionate preaching, social reform, and missionary zeal. One quote attributed to him was: "Give me one hundred preachers who fear nothing but sin and desire nothing but God, and I care not a straw whether they be clergy or lay; such alone will shake the gates of hell and set up the Kingdom of Heaven on earth"

And it's that kind of passion that will carry us through. Burning hearts lead to burning feet — ready to go wherever God sends. A church alive with passion does not sit still. It runs. It serves. It gives its best. It risks. It goes out and sets the world on fire.

As our prayer book says,

"Lord, Holy Spirit,
You are the kind fire who does not cease to burn,
Consuming us with flames of love and peace,
Driving us out like sparks to set the world on fire."

Cultivating Burning Hearts

So how do we cultivate hearts that burn? As William Booth once said: "The tendency of fire is to go out; so watch the fire on the altar of your heart."

The Bible mentions the heart more than a thousand times. Real transformation starts there. As Thomas Cranmer put it: "What the heart loves, the will chooses, the mind justifies."

We need to examine our hearts. What do your hearts burn for? And where perhaps have your loves become disordered?

I know from my own life the difference between love rightly ordered and love out of place. To take my wife for granted is to let passion grow cold where it should burn brightly. To feel more deeply about small losses than about my walk with Jesus is a sign of misplaced fire.

Remember - the church in Ephesus had sound doctrine, but sadly had lost its first love. They had stopped burning with the passion of Jesus.

But friends, passion is not just about emotion; it's not about hype, it's not about flashlights and rousing talks.

The kind of passion God calls us to is much more than that. God's passion is about a deep conviction, a contagious enthusiasm, and a perseverance through struggle.

Tend the fire. Stir it. Protect it. Feed it. Find others whose hearts burn for Jesus and surround yourself with them.

So, I ask you: What is sapping your passion for Jesus? And what feeds it? What do you need to attend to in order to keep the fire burning in your own heart, and in the heart of your church? These are questions for all of us, clergy and laity alike. They are questions that will determine the future of our diocese.

Conclusion: A Church Alive

So what do we long for? A church that is alive!

Alive to the presence of Jesus — walking with him daily.

Fuelled and ignited by the Word — rooted in God's truth.

And Sparking into the world in mission — carrying God's fire into our neighbourhoods.

This is what it means to be a church with hearts that burn.

The Good News is that God longs to give us the fire to burn. As we read in **2 Chronicles 16:9**,

"For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him."

So, I ask you: will you pray for the Holy Spirit to rekindle the fire in your life and in your parish?

Will you return to your first love—and invite Jesus to walk with you? To let the Word fuel you.

And to ask God to give you a renewed passion to propel you outwards into the world?

"Were not our hearts burning within us?" May it be said of us in this diocese.

Let us be a diocese known not only for our theology, not only for our programmes, not only for our leaders, but also for our passion — burning with holy fire for Jesus, for the Word, and for the mission of God.

And so I charge you: tend to the fire within you. Stoke the flames. Guard the embers. For this is not the moment to neglect your inner passion for God and go cold. No - This is the moment to burn brighter for Jesus – both in the breakthroughs and the battles ahead. Amen.

PEOPLE NOTICES**ORDINATIONS:**Holy Order of Priests

Rev Jude Saxon

PARISH APPOINTMENTS: (n) = new to the Diocese

Reverend Paul Nzimbi Vicar Victory Parish (n)

Reverend Mark Johnson Vicar Golden Bay Parish (n)

Reverend Jude Saxon Priest Assistant, Stoke Parish

Reverend Gordon Taylor Priest Assistant, St John's Hira

Reverend Emily Holmes Minister/Pastor Hills Community Church, Mapua

Reverend Peter Ross Acting Vicar Waimea Parish from 9 June 2025

APPOINTMENTS:

Amanda Poil Ministry Coordinator Children and Families

Erin O'Sullivan-Moffat Payroll and Finance Administrator

Allison Mitchell Administration Support, Anglican Centre (Apr)

Christopher Ward Diocesan Manager (Sept)

Liesel De Kriek Ministry Coordinator Older Persons Services (Sept)

Reverend Zane Elliott Waimea Regional Dean

NEW LAY SYNOD REPS:

Gary Adams (Motueka)

Susan Baker (Victory)

Maureen Harte (Golden Bay)

Merryl Hodgson (Wairau Valley)

Jeremy Matthews (Tahunanui)

Nanai Naseri (St John's Hira)

Kate Sinclair (Awatere)

Eric Whyte (Richmond)

RESIGNATIONS:

Rev Emmanuel Vallaidam Priest in Charge, Atawhai/Hira Parish (January 2025)

Rev Joseph (Joe) Keighley Vicar, Wairau Valley (January 2025)

Rev Stephen Gully Hospital Chaplain Nelson and Lead Chaplain NMHB (August 2025)

Rev Paul Milson Vicar, Waimea Parish (September 2025)

Graeme Mitchell Diocesan Manager (September 2025)

Janet Northfield Rest Home Chaplaincy Coordinator (September 2025)

Allison Mitchell Administration Support, Anglican Centre (September 2025)

RETIREMENTS:

Reverend Marie-Jeanette van der Wal Vicar, Picton Parish (November 2025)

THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:***Blenheim***

Gerald Wilkes d.24 May 2025. Long-term member of Nativity. Involved with church property and Men's ministry

Shirley Marston d. 19 November 2024. Missionary teacher in Tanzania. Involved with CMS and was a regular attender at services, very involved with missionary matters

Buller

Ian Hedgman d. 9 November 2024 Ian was the local leader of Holy Trinity Community Church Karamea for several years until 2021. With the vicar living 100km away in Westport, this meant Ian and his wife Ruth were involved with every aspect of church life in Karamea: Opening and closing the building each Sunday, leading services and bible studies, pastoral care and outreach into the community, hosting visiting preachers and organising repairs to the church building. Ian was a support to many people in the Karamea community and will be greatly missed. May he rest in peace and rise in glory!

Nelson Cathedral

Margaret and Neil Balloch d. 31 August 2024 80 yrs and 3 January 2025 (87 yrs). Regular attendees at CAMEO events and maritime services.

David Graham d.5 October 2024 (91yrs). Regular Weekday Eucharist attendee and services at The Wood.

Beatrice Clover d.30 October 2024 (95 yrs). Faithful parishioner and member of Association of Anglican Women, craft and exercise groups, and meditation group over many years. Beatrice was also a supporter of the flag flying on the Cathedral contributing to the cost of flags.

Anthony (Rod) White d. 11 December 2024 (91yrs). Retired dental surgeon and had a connection to the Cathedral through his wife Min.

Judith Campbell d. 19 February 2025 (91yrs). Faithful parishioner and supporter of her husband Rev. Murray Campbell. Regular attender at CAMEO events.

Donald McIver d.10 April 2025 (97yrs). Organist and Director of Music 1979-85 and 1988.

Johannes (Hans) de Ridder d.15 May 2025 (82yrs). Long time parishioner, member of walking group, helped with parish morning teas and Christmas Tree Festival concerts playing cathedral piano, and volunteer welcomer.

Jennifer Kaye d.20 May 2025 (90yrs). Life-long parishioner for over 50 years. Jennifer and her husband Dr Bruce Kaye hosted a parish home group.

John Thiesson Jnr d.22 November 2024 (84 yrs). Faithful parishioner and general supporter around the parish especially the Christmas Tree Festival, and photographer for events.

Rev'd Denis Mellsop 2 August 2025 (91 yrs). Hospital Chaplain and retired Priest at Nelson Cathedral.

Valaria Mills d.8 August 2025 (90 yrs). Faithful parishioner and regular CAMEO attender.

Richard Harris d. 20 August 2025 (86 years). Life-long parishioner and supporter of Nelson Cathedral and founding member of the Nelson Symphony Orchestra.

Donald James "Hamish" Campbell d. 27 August 2025 (95 years). Life-long parishioner and attender at 8am services

Kaikoura

Michael Hurst d. January 21 2025. A beloved servant of God in our parish who played guitar in the Sunday music team; faithfully provided copies of The Word For Today to the parish and cut and delivered firewood to those who needed help.

Reefton and The Grey Valley

Davida Anne Parkinson, known as Anne, d. 2nd September 2024 at the age of 91 after a very short illness.

She had been a member of St Stephen's community for over sixty years, having been married in the church around 1962 and served as a vestry member and Synod rep for many years. We miss her and her reminiscences of her early life and with her death have really lost the remaining link with those mid-century years in the life of St Stephen's Parish of Reefton and the Grey Valley.

Tahunanui

Richard (Dick) Vining d. 9th February 2025. Dick was a long-time parishioner actively involved in the life of St Stephens, especially in the Thursday Maintenance group, assisting with the finances and as an organist/pianist. Dick was known for a servant heart; he was a great encourager.

Clive Cook d. 28th June 2025. Clive was a wise and godly man, always encouraging and supporting the leadership. He served in the Oversight Team (Vestry) for a couple of years and participated in the 9am and Wednesday services.

Denis Daly d. 10th July 2025. Denis was an amazing organist and pianist. For many years, he served St. Stephens as an organist/pianist, served in the finance team and participated in the 9am service. He and his wife Denise were passionate about community outreach and backed many of the church's initiatives to serve Tahunanui community.

Don Fraser d. 22nd July 2025. Don was a very gifted and skilled man and used his talents to serve the church. He was part of the Thursday Maintenance group- a group of 4-5 men that made repairs and maintained the building. For many years he served faithfully as a welcomer in the 9am service.

Victory

Judy Bayard d. 26th March 2025. Judy was a valued member of the Victory Church community, serving as a dedicated vestry member. She was thoughtful and she skilfully helped care for the church furnishings. She was one of the volunteers who supported the Parish Administrator and welcomed people to the church office when it was open four days a week.

Wairau Valley

Valerie L. Mapp d. 31 July 2025. Val was a member of the Nativity Church until her marriage to LLoyd, when they moved out to the farm at Pine Valley and began attending the Renwick Church. Val and Lloyd saw the potential of the local school when it was closed and established a trust to run the Pine Valley Centre, used by schools, churches etc as a camp. Val was also responsible for initiating our major fundraiser, Garden tours 30 years ago.

Diocese

We remember with gratitude those who have faithfully served on our Diocesan Boards and Committees.

Richard (Dick) Vining d. 9th February 2025. Dick was appointed to the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board in 1976, serving for 35 years including the majority as Chair. Dick also served 19 years on the Diocesan Finance Team, also acting as Chair for a number of years. Dick is an Emeritus Canon of Nelson Cathedral, was assistant organist at Nelson Cathedral. Parishioner of St Stephen's, Tahunanui.

Denis Daly d. 10th July 2025. Denis was a Trustee on the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board 1991 - 2014. Parishioner of St Stephen's, Tahunanui.

We give thanks for their faithful service in the life of their parish and diocese. May they rest in peace and rise in glory

Greetings:

Waiapu: Dear Bishop Stephen and Members of the Synod of the Diocese of Nelson

Greetings and peace to you all in Christ.

We send you the prayerful support and greetings of the Diocese of Waiapu as you meet for your Synod. Our prayers surround and uphold you as you meet in the fellowship of Christ by which we are bound together in love. May the work that you do together during this Synod be enriching for you as you meet, and life-giving for those about whom decisions are made. In your debates, fellowship and worship together may God continue to be revealed as the source of the aroha (love), rongo (peace) and hari (joy) which we proclaim in our life together.

With assurance of our prayerful support, The Right Reverend Andrew Hedge

Christchurch:

Dear Bishop Steve and members of the Synod of Nelson,
Greetings!

On behalf of the Synod of Christchurch | write to wish you well as you come together for your Diocesan Synod. May you know the presence of the Holy Spirit in both your gathering and deliberations and may the work of your Synod further God's Mission in our midst.

In Christ, Here—reeoe, The Right Rev'd Dr Peter Carrell

Auckland:

Dear Bishop Steve

Grace and peace to you and the members of the Synod as you gather this week.

The people of Auckland Diocese and I pray that you will know the Spirit-borne gifts of peace, hope and joy in all your discussion, and that your time together will deepen your love for God and for one another.

Nga manaakitanga, Bishop Ross Bay

Dunedin:

I send warmest greetings and prayers from Dunedin Diocese as you begin your Synod. May it be a time of constructive discussions and growing together as a Diocese.

Ngā manaakitanga, +Anne Bishop Anne van Gend

RESOLUTIONS OF SYNOD

1. Speaking Rights

That speaking, but non-voting rights are, for the duration of this session of Synod, granted to the following persons:

Mr Ed Duggan	Diocesan Finance Manager
Mrs Margaret Soderberg	Diocesan Trust Board Chair
Mr Russell Nimmo	Diocesan Health & Safety Coordinator
Mr Jason Shaw	Ministry Coordinator - Social Services
Ms Amanda Poil	Ministry Coordinator - Children and Families
Ms Renata van der Wal	Ministry Education Administration
Rev David Dell	Church & Community Engagement Office, Anglican Missions
Mr Jethro Day	National Director, Church Army NZ

2. Diocesan Reports

That the Diocesan Reports are received

3. The Budget

1. That the report of the 2026 budget is received
2. That the 2026 budget is approved, noting the unsustainability of the deficit and recommend the suggested parish/diocese administration review
3. That the schedule of Parish and Mission Units Levy Contributions for 2026 be approved

4. Diocesan Overseas Mission Council Act 2004

That this Synod suspend the provisions of the Diocesan Overseas Mission Council Act 2004 for a further 12 months until Synod 2026

5. Diocesan Missions Quota 2026

This Synod accepts the recommendation of the Diocesan Missions Coordinator that the 2026 Anglican Missions funding be set at \$80,000.

6. Council of Nelson Cathedral Statute 2025

That this Synod assents to the Council of Nelson Cathedral Statute 2025.

7. Ratification of Trust Variation - White Windows Trust

That having received:

- The Chancellor's Report to Synod dated 11 July 2024
- The Scheme dated 30 March 2024 concerning the amendment of the White Windows Trust; and
- The Letter of 4 October 2024 from Crown Law confirming under delegated authority that the Attorney-General does not object to that Scheme -

this Synod approve the scheme to apply the proceeds of the White Windows bequest held on behalf of Nativity Parish towards the costs of the legally required Earthquake Strengthening of Nativity Church and any associated building upgrade.

On advice received and on the basis of the above documentation, Synod notes:

- a. This Synod is satisfied it is impracticable or Inexpedient to carry out the purposes of the original bequest and trust.
- b. Pursuant to s15 of the Anglican Church Trusts Act 1981 the Attorney General has been notified of this scheme and has not objected.
- c. The Vestry of the Parish has undertaken to have installed an appropriate plaque in the building to acknowledge the bequest.

ELECTION RESULTS

The President declared duly elected by Synod –

Rev Marge Tefft, Ms Helen Neame and Mr Alastair Smith to Standing Committee for a term of three years and Ms Laura Fear to Standing Committee for a term of one year

and

Rev Marge Tefft and Rev Matt Watts to Bishopdale Theological College for a term of three years

and

Rev Dr Andrew Burgess, Rev Canon Simon Martin, and Mr Ed Duggan to the General Synod & Tikanga Pakeha Conference for a term of two years.

Remaining vacancies become casual vacancies to be filled by Standing Committee.

Council of Nelson Cathedral Statue 2025

Be it enacted by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Nelson in Synod assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. The Statute set out in the schedule is hereby amended in terms of the schedule.

Schedule

Council of Nelson Cathedral Statue 2025

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PART II - TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PROVISIONS

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A STATUTE for the GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE FOR THE NELSON CATHEDRAL, KNOWN AS THE COUNCIL OF NELSON CATHEDRAL (CNC), AND FOR DEFINING ITS MEMBERSHIP, POWERS AND DUTIES AND REPLACING THE CURRENT CATHEDRAL VESTRY STATUTE 2015.

A PREAMBLE

The Christ Church Cathedral holds a unique and important place in the life of the Diocese and this Act is required for the governance of the cathedral to fulfil its roles being:

- the seat of the Bishop (otherwise known as the *Cathedra*), symbolising the authority of the Bishop. The presence of the Bishop's seat is what makes this church the 'Cathedral'
- as the seat of the Bishop, it is the principal or "mother" church of the Diocese, upholding the vision, mission and values of the Diocese (Diocese of Nelson Structures Statute 2021) and the Constitution of the Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia (1992)
- the parish church for its members, and
- the civic role in Nelson city.

BE IT ENACTED by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Nelson in Synod assembled and by authority of the same as follows:-

The Short Title of this Act shall be "The Council of Nelson Cathedral Act 2025" and shall come into force at the next Cathedral AGM.

PART 1 THE COUNCIL OF NELSON CATHEDRAL

1. The Nelson Cathedral [Christ Church Cathedral Parish, Nelson] shall be governed by a new body known as the **Council of Nelson Cathedral (CNC)**.

2. Membership of the Council

(1) Membership of the Council shall comprise

- The Bishop
- The Dean
- The Vicar of Christ Church Parish [if not also the Dean]
- The Dean's Warden
- The People's Warden
- Up to two Clerical Canons appointed by the Bishop in consultation with the Dean
- Up to two Lay Canons appointed by the Bishop in consultation with the Dean
- Both Clerical and Lay Canons to be appointed for up to a 3-year term which can be renewed by the Bishop.
- Five Lay Council members elected by the Cathedral congregation at the Parish AGM from those Lay persons contained on the Parish Roll and following Diocesan procedures of election.
- If any of the elected lay Council members hold other seats on the council by rite of role (Synod reps and Wardens), a meeting of parishioners may appoint a further member of Council from the Cathedral congregation.
- Co-option by the Council of up to two independent specialists as required for their specific skills.

- (2) Before entering into office, each Council member shall make and subscribe to the Declaration of Adherence and Submission to the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia as required by required by Title B Canon XXI. The signed declarations shall at once be forwarded to the Diocesan Manager.

- (3). If a vacancy arises on the Council through the death, resignation, or removal of an elected member of the Council, or for any other reason-
 - (a) The position may remain vacant unless it is necessary to fill the office in order to provide a quorum for the Council, as required by section 8.
 - (b) The position may be filled by appointment made by the Council.
- (4) Any Canonical vacancy may be filled by the Bishop in consultation with the Dean.

3. Primary Duties of the Council of Nelson Cathedral

- (1) The primary duties of the Council are to focus on the missional strategy, risk policy and compliance of Cathedral Governance by
 - (a) Enabling the worship of Almighty God and to provide all things necessary for the ordering of public worship
 - (b) Encouraging all members of the parish to live out the missional strategy of the Cathedral and grow in the faith and service of Christ.
 - (c) Foster the spiritual growth and wellbeing of the parishioners, including Christian education for persons of all ages.
 - (d) Promoting and encouraging the use of the Cathedral for such civic, diocesan, ecumenical and missionary functions as may be approved by the Bishop and the Dean (or by the Vicar of the Parish of Christ Church if he/she is not the Dean)
 - (e) Overseeing the management of the Cathedral/Parish, risk policy and compliance.
 - (f) Determining the establishment of any paid position within the Cathedral.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not limit the responsibility of the Vicar, under the authority of the Bishop, for the pastoral care of the parish, for Christian education in the parish, and for the spiritual wellbeing of the parishioners.
- (3) The Council of Nelson Cathedral may delegate operational authority through written policies and facilitated by sub-committees.

4. Further duties in respect of property

The Council of Nelson Cathedral shall have the following duties:

- (a) Provide and care for the Cathedral buildings (including repair, maintenance and enhancement), the Cathedral furnishings, and the equipment needed for the good working of the parish
- (b) Plan, authorise, and execute all capital works, alterations, and improvements that may be necessary or desirable for the proper functioning of the Cathedral buildings, subject always to the provisions of the Diocesan Properties and Faculties Act

- (c) Provide a Vicarage in the parish free of charge to the Vicar, and free accommodation to other full-time Assistant Clergy who are paid from parish funds, or, instead of accommodation, to provide an allowance approved by Standing Committee
- (d) Cause to be inspected at least once in each year the Cathedral, the vicarage, and all other buildings and property for which Council is responsible and ensure that all necessary repairs and maintenance are carried out.
- (e) The Council shall insure the Cathedral in the name of the Trustee for functional replacement value. The Vestry is not required to insure the Cathedral at full replacement.

5. Meetings of Council

- (1) Meetings of the Council shall be held at least bi-monthly at such time and place as the Council may determine.
- (2) A special meeting of Council may be called at such time as the Dean or the Churchwardens may determine, or upon a request in writing signed by a majority of Council members.
- (3) A special meeting may be called for any purpose by the Bishop.

6. Chairing of Council

- (1) The Dean is the Chair of the Council of Nelson Cathedral and normally presides at every meeting.
- (2) **Voluntary Delegation by the Dean:**
 - The Dean may, for any meeting or item of business, invite another member of the Council to act as Chair.
 - The delegation must be declared to the Secretary before the meeting opens and be recorded in the minutes.
 - Reasons may include absence, conflict of interest, succession development, or any circumstance the Dean considers will enhance effective governance.
 - Delegation for a meeting or item does not remove the Dean's overall leadership responsibilities between meetings.
- (3) **Absence or Vacancy in the Office of the Dean:**

If the Dean is unable to attend a meeting or if the office of the Dean is vacant:

 - 1. The Bishop may elect to chair that meeting;
 - 2. If the Bishop declines, the Dean's Warden will chair;
 - 3. If the Dean's Warden is unavailable, the People's Warden will chair;
- (4) **Revocation of Delegation -**

The Dean (or, where the Bishop is presiding, the Bishop) may revoke a delegation at any time before or during the meeting by advising the Council and ensuring the decision is recorded in the minutes.
- (5) The person chairing any meeting of the Council shall have a casting as well as a deliberative vote.

7. Persons with right to attend Council meetings

Any person may attend Council meetings at the invitation of Council and have the right to speak but not to vote.

8. Quorum for Council

- (1) No business shall be transacted at a meeting of **Council** unless a quorum is present.
- (2) The **Council** quorum shall be six and shall include the Dean or the Bishop or at least one of the Churchwardens and at least one of the clerical or Lay Canons
- (3) **Council may**, with the express consent of the Dean and the Churchwardens, delegate to a member of **Council** or a subcommittee of **Council** the power to deal with any particular item of business or to be responsible for any particular aspect of parish life, with power to co-opt additional parishioners or persons who are not members of **Council**; and in such a case the subcommittee may conduct the business committed to it even though the Dean or a Churchwarden is not present or is not a member of the subcommittee.

9. Election of Parochial Nominators

At a meeting held not later than two months after the annual general meeting at which it was elected, **Council** shall elect two persons, who are qualified to be members of **Council**, and two members of the **Council** [total of four] to be the Parochial Nominators for the Cathedral parish.

10. Keeping of minutes

The Council shall ensure that full minutes of all its meetings, and of all annual and special general meetings of parishioners, are kept.

11. Collections

The Council shall ensure that all collections within the parish are fully recorded, safely kept, and promptly banked.

12. Contributions for objects outside parish

- (1) **The Council** may at its discretion pay money from parish funds for religious, charitable, or educational objects outside the parish and authorise collections to be made for any such purposes.
- (2) All special offerings and collections shall be paid to the object specified within two months after their receipt.

13. Council bound by acts of predecessors

All contracts and undertakings that have been duly and lawfully entered into prior to the existence of the Council, shall (according to their tenor) be binding upon their successors in office from year to year.

14. Control of funds

All funds under the control of the Cathedral Chapter (Fabric/Chapter Fund) and the Cathedral Vestry (Parish Funds and Trusts) as at the commencement of this Statute shall for its duration be under the control of the Council of Nelson Cathedral for the purposes that the funds are held or received.

The Cathedral Fabric/Chapter Fund shall be recorded under Cathedral Accounts not the accounts of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board.

PART II: TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PROVISIONS**15. Suspension of provisions**

The following statutory provisions shall be suspended with regard to the operation of the Cathedral for the duration of this Statute

- (a) Sections 3,5 and 6 of the Cathedral Act 2002
- (b) Part 111 of the Cathedral Act 2002
- (c) Section 19 of the Parishes Statute 2006
- (d) Part IV of the Parishes Statute 2006

16. Interpretation

Where there appears to be a conflict between this Statute and any other Diocesan Statute this Statute shall prevail.

17. Duration of Act

This Act shall cease to have effect on 31 December 2026 pending a review by Standing Committee.

18. The Cathedral Vestry Statute 2015 is hereby repealed.

I certify that in terms of Standing Order 99 the 'Council of Nelson Cathedral Statute 2025' was referred to me and I am satisfied that it is in order.



Chancellor



Date

I certify that in terms of Standing Order 99 the 'Council of Nelson Cathedral Statute 2025' was passed at Synod on 19th October 2025 to take effect from the 2026 Cathedral AGM.



President



Date

Diocese of Nelson**REPORT ON THE 2026 DIOCESAN BUDGET*****PURPOSE OF REPORT***

This report is provided to enable Synod members to make an informed decision regarding approving the 2026 Parish Contributions to Diocesan Expenditure and the effect on Parish Finances.

BUDGET PRESENTATION

Attached to this report is the draft budget for the Diocese for the 2026 year.

OVERVIEW OF BUDGET

I have completed a draft of the 2026 budget with input from the Diocesan Manager but not the wider management team. A synod summary of this budget is attached to this document. My focus has been to represent the income and cost of the Diocese as close to what they will be in 2026. I have removed/reduced any budget item that has not been expended or fully expended over the past two year. In addition, I have removed two trusts from being considered Diocesan trusts as the Diocese does not control them and can only recognise the grants made by them as income. This reduces both income and trust transfers as noted below. I have also increased the budget for grants as some grants had not fully been budgeted in prior years.

This is an accountant's budget and is very lean. Any further cuts to this budget (without further system upgrades) will result in a reduction of level of service (both ministry and administration) to the parishes and other diocesan bodies. Having said that a deficit of \$135,899 is unsustainable and some changes need to be made

Some starting options to remedy this deficit immediately are

1. Implement further systems upgrades and save \$80,000 of Diocesan costs.
2. Expand the use Whakarewa Trust reserves (estimated 2025 end of year balance \$187,892) to further part fund the social services position as the position contributes to charitable social services. Say an additional \$30,000 pa on top of the \$27,753 of income currently used to fund the social services position. (approx. 6 years funding)
3. Increase parish levies a further \$25,899. This suggestion is only made as Nelson Diocese is heavily subsidising its parishes by the level of financial contribution required to support the Diocesan office. (5 percent of Diocesan costs as opposed to other Dioceses in the Province that start at 20% financial contribution and range up to over 60% contribution)
4. In 2027 we will experience a further drop in trust income of up to \$100,000 due to further weakening of interest rates. To prepare for this eventuality it is suggested a wider review of both diocesan and parish administration is undertaken by the administration leadership team to highlight opportunities for savings both in parishes and the diocesan office to fund this drop in income. An example of such efficiencies would be to consider the cost and benefits of rolling out ApprovalMax accounting system changes out to parishes once implemented within the diocesan office.

ASSUMPTIONS

The following key assumptions have been used in compiling the budget.

- General Inflation 2.5%, applied to parish contributions as well (2024 4.0%)
- Salary Increase 1.7% (2024 4%)
- Permanent/Capital Trust Income Rate 4.5% as per NDTB 2026 budget (2024 Budget 4.5% Actual 4.4%)
- Income/Call Trust Income Rate 4.25% as per NDTB 2026 budget (2024 Budget 4.8% Actual 4.55%)
- As per their recent letter to the Diocese the St Johns Trust Board has budgeted to provide \$201,131 of general education grant for the 2026 year. (Budgeted 2024 \$254,326).
- Education expenditure has been partially reduced to lessen the impact of this St John income drop.
- In addition, the St Johns Trust Board has budgeted to provide \$200,000 to the Diocese for both Anglicans studying theology and clergy study during their sabbatical. In 2024 BTC was provided \$309,585 for scholarships for students attending BTC.
- All currently budgeted vacant positions will be filled by 2026
- No provision has been made for any further redress payments for past abuse claims.
- Staff FTE's have been reassigned to enable a 1.0 FTE Older Persons Ministry. There is a 0.1 FTE increase overall. The OPMC position is included in the budget which will be funded from the Baigent Trust.

KEY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

The key financial impacts are set out in the below table

Change	Amount \$
Income Changes	
Specific Purpose Trust Income (including non-group Trust Removal Mary Foster-Barhan (MFB) & Cathedral Fabric Fund (CFF))	(165,338)
Decreased General Purpose Trust Income (diocese "call" balance less and lower interest rate)	(5,475)
Non-Group Trust Grant (was part of Specific Purpose Trust Income for MFB and CFF)	76,490
Reduced St John's Education grant income.	(53,195)
New (to Diocese Vs BTC) St John Scholarship Income (offset by cost below)	200,000
Miscellaneous net income increases	7,017
Total Income Increase	59,499

Expenditure Changes	
Staff Salary Costs	23,744
Net 0.1 OPMC position increase. OPMC absorbs rest home chaplain position and 0.2 of bishop's assistance position. (net 0.1 increase funded by Baigent trust)	6,336
Additional staff cost savings.	(852)
Net Grant increase due to previously unbudgeted grants	26,775
Eldercare grants/admin reduction (based on current parish levels plus inflation)	(1,209)
New (to Diocese Vs BTC) St John Scholarship Income (offset by income above)	200,000
Property Cost Increases (rent review early 2026 which gets hit with 2 years of inflation)	12,040
Reduced depreciation due to assets being fully depreciated (but not needing replacement yet) and software system costs (note depreciation was falling \$12,284 due to assets being fully depreciated)	(12,287)
Increase software depreciation	18,000
Increase software support costs from new software	10,563
General cost cutting (based on unused budgets and budgets reliant on St John education grants)	(46,864)
Total Expenditure increase	236,246
Total Surplus Change (from \$68,000 surplus to \$108,748 deficit)	(176,747)
Transfer to/from Reserves Changes	
Removal of MFB and CFF trust transfers to reserves	103,577
Reduced transfer from Emerging leaders (as the fund has run out)	(39,301)
Increased transfer from Baigent Trust for OPM co-ordinator	30,717
Reduced use of Whakarewa trust for social services position	(43,548)
et other transfers to/from reserves movements	12,895
Total Reserve Transfers Changes	64,340
Net True Surplus decrease after transfers	(112,407)
2025 Budgeted Surplus/(Deficit) after transfers	(23,492)
2026 Budgeted Surplus/(Deficit) (after transfers)	(135,899)

PARISH LEVY CONTRIBUTIONS (via monthly Quota payment)

Based on the previous population allocation method it is recommended that Parish contributions towards Diocesan Levy of \$135,682 (2025 \$135,682) is collected on the following basis: -

Parish	Population Percentage	2026 Levy	2025 Levy	Increase	%
All Saint's	4.68%	6,509	6,350	159	2.50%
Atawhai	2.96%	4,117	4,016	101	2.50%
Awatere	1.00%	1,391	1,357	34	2.50%
Blenheim	9.78%	13,602	13,270	332	2.50%
Blenheim South	6.52%	9,068	8,846	222	2.50%
Buller	4.33%	6,022	5,875	147	2.50%
Cathedral	4.70%	6,537	6,377	160	2.50%
Cobden	2.20%	3,060	2,985	75	2.50%
Golden Bay	2.91%	4,047	3,948	99	2.50%
Greymouth	4.82%	6,703	6,540	163	2.50%
Havelock	1.79%	2,489	2,429	60	2.50%
Kaikoura	2.17%	3,018	2,944	74	2.50%
Mapua	2.41%	3,352	3,270	82	2.50%
Motueka	8.52%	11,849	11,560	289	2.50%
Picton	2.96%	4,117	4,016	101	2.50%
Reefton	2.11%	2,934	2,863	71	2.50%
Richmond	9.57%	13,309	12,985	324	2.50%
Spring Creek	1.67%	2,323	2,266	57	2.50%
Stoke	9.05%	12,586	12,280	306	2.50%
Tāhunanui	3.15%	4,381	4,274	107	2.50%
Victory	3.47%	4,826	4,708	118	2.50%
Waimea	2.61%	3,630	3,541	89	2.50%
Wairau	2.84%	3,950	3,853	97	2.50%
Wakefield. & Dist.	3.78%	5,257	5,129	128	2.50%
Total	100.00%	139,077	135,682	3,395	2.50%

TRANSFER FROM RESERVES

Transfer from Reserves

This budget assumes the use of reserves that will be expended in time. Once a reserve is used expenditure will need to be cut or alternative income sources found. Below is a table of reserves being used indicating how long they will last based on current usage.

Reserve	Est 2026 Open Balance	Current Usage	Time left including 2026
Emerging leaders Clergy Training Fund	26,343	26,343	1.0 Year
Godwin Charitable Trust (Hardship Grants)	8,709	2,630	2.9 Years
Older Persons Ministry Fund Income Balance	283,096	70,470	3 Years
Mae and Betty Sherratt Charitable Trust (CFM co-ordinator)	100,742	30,629	3.3 Years
Baigent John & Hazel Trust	359,905	76,017	4.7 Years
Property Maintenance Reserve	124,708	21,350	5.8 Years
Diocesan Removal Fund Income Balance	108,455	4,460	24.3 Years
Estate A E Mead (revitalisation)	335,491	9,084	39.1 years
Total Current Transfer from Reserves		240,983	

PARISH SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES

Clergy salaries and allowances are as follows based on the recommended 1.7% increase:

	2026 Dollars (Per annum)	2025 Dollars (Per annum)
Clergy Stipend	63,260	62,203
Curate Stipend	59,035	58,048
Book, hospitality, Training, Spiritual Retreat	2,600	2,600
Supervision	900	900

Mileage reimbursement is provided for at the current Diocesan rates.

Please note it is a while since the allowance amounts were adjusted for inflation, and I wonder if this should be considered for the next budget?

COMMUNICATION REGARDING BUDGET

Should members of Synod have any queries about the 2026 Budget, please forward them to the Diocesan Finance Manager (Ed Duggan) at the Anglican Centre (ed@nelsonanglican.nz) on the form provided in your Synod papers.

Ed will endeavour to clarify any queries direct to the inquirer or to Synod as appropriate. This will enable Synod to be better informed and to save time during Synod.

DIOCESE OF NELSON ANGLICAN CENTRE
2026 BUDGET INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

	Bishopric	Governance	Parish Ministry	Admin. Ministry	General Purpose Income	Draft Budget 2026	% of Income or Expense	Synod Approved Budget 2025	Variance \$	Variance %
INCOME										
Specific Purpose Trust Income	139,331	0	959,302	0	0	1,098,633	34.60%	1,263,971	(165,338)	-13.08%
General Purpose Trust Income	0	0	0	0	1,078,050	1,078,050	33.96%	1,083,525	(5,475)	-0.51%
Non-Group Trust Grants	0	0	76,490	0	0	76,490	2.41%		76,490	100.00%
Administration Fees	0	0	14,900	253,675	0	268,575	8.46%	267,491	1,084	0.41%
St. John College Dio Ed Grant	42,489	0	158,642	0	0	201,131	6.34%	254,326	(53,195)	-20.92%
St. John College Scholarships	0	0	200,000	0	0	200,000	6.30%	0	200,000	100.00%
Parish Contributions	0	0	0	0	139,075	139,075	4.38%	135,682	3,393	2.50%
Other Income	0	0	74,314	5,863	0	80,177	2.53%	78,436	1,741	2.22%
Camp/Event Fees	0	0	32,748	0	0	32,748	1.03%	31,949	799	2.50%
Total Income	181,820	0	1,516,396	259,538	1,217,125	3,174,879	100.00%	3,115,380	59,499	1.91%
EXPENDITURE										
Staffing Direct Costs	250,517	0	481,292	696,729	0	1,428,538	43.50%	1,398,458	30,080	2.15%
Staffing Support Costs	8,713	1,025	37,061	15,685	0	62,484	1.90%	63,336	(852)	-1.35%
Grants - Diocese Wide	0	0	168,715	0	0	168,715	5.14%	534,547	(365,832)	
Grants - Parishes	0	0	179,745	0	0	179,745	5.47%		179,745	
Grants - Projects	0	0	151,500	0	0	151,500	4.61%		151,500	
Grants - Hardship	0	0	61,362	0	0	61,362	1.87%		61,362	
Grants - Elder Care (Inc admin)	0	0	315,000	0	0	315,000	9.59%	316,209	(1,209)	-0.38%
St. John College Scholarships	0	0	200,000	0	0	200,000	6.09%		200,000	100.00%
Property Costs	19,444	0	158,178	90,340	0	267,962	8.16%	255,922	12,040	4.70%
Compliance Costs	5,843	38,486	43,288	71,581	0	159,198	4.85%	168,573	(9,375)	-5.56%
Office Costs	23,141	14,045	61,971	31,148	0	130,305	3.97%	130,625	(320)	-0.24%
Ministry Resources Costs	2,091	0	80,669	0	0	82,760	2.52%	102,109	(19,349)	-18.95%
Camp/Event Cost	0	0	74,519	1,538	0	76,057	2.32%	77,601	(1,544)	-1.99%
Total Expenditure	309,749	53,556	2,013,300	907,021	0	3,283,626	100.00%	3,047,380	236,246	7.75%
Accounting Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$127,929)	(\$53,556)	(\$496,904)	(\$647,483)	\$1,217,125	(\$108,747)		\$68,000	(\$176,747)	
Transfer To Reserves	(28,417)	0	(238,618)	0	(1,099)	(268,134)		(344,105)	75,971	-22.08%
Transfer From Reserves	0	0	240,983	0	0	240,983		252,614	(11,631)	-4.60%
True Surplus/(Deficit)						(135,899)		(23,492)	(112,407)	

DIO LEVY REVIEW PRESENTATION

by Diocesan Finance Manager, Mr Ed Duggan

Why review the allocation of individual parish contributions to The Diocesan Levy

Last Synod parish representatives requested a review of the method by which individual parish contributions to the costs of Diocesan Office functions (The Diocesan Levy) were calculated. This request was made as there were concerns parish affordability issues were not included in the current calculation method.

Since this request a significant event has recently occurred which suggests the core data used in the current allocation may not be available in the future. The current method is based on information provided by Stats NZ regarding the number of people within parish boundaries through the five yearly Government census. The Government has announced plans to scrap the five yearly censuses by using other information from government departments and sample surveys. It is expected that the cost of obtaining such information would be expected to be fully recovered from users of that information.

In addition, geographic data is less relevant given the trend for people to attend parishes outside their physical geographic location.

Criteria for assessing a new system of allocating the Diocesan Levy

It must be acknowledged that any system of allocating parish contributions towards the diocesan levy will not be perfect.

Having stated that fact it is important to identify key criteria to assess the any system of allocation. The following criteria are suggested for the assessment of allocation systems

- A. There is some reflection of the **ability of a parish to afford** their contribution. This is a major concern for struggling parishes.
- B. It is **easy for people to understand** the system. Easy to understand systems are more readily acceptable to people.
- C. **Maintenance of the system is easy and low cost.** It is important that the benefits of the system do not outweigh the costs. In addition, the cost of a system must be financially sustainable in the future.
- D. It is **based on verifiable parish data.** The integrity of the system require data can be verified easily.
- E. **Changes in allocation are gradual** to allow individual parishes to absorb any increases within their levies.

It is further suggested that each criterion be scored as to how well the system meets the criteria. This scoring will help evaluate each system.

- 0 No compliance with criteria
- 1 Some compliance with criteria
- 2 Medium compliance with criteria
- 3 Substantial Compliance with criteria

Options for system of allocating the Diocesan Levy (with pros and cons)

1. Status Quo - 5 Yearly Census Data

Description. Allocation based on number of people in the parish boundaries in the 5 yearly censuses. (current allocation based on the 2018 census)

Pros-

- Currently Verifiable hard data
- Easy to maintain unless parish boundary changes

Cons-

- Verifiable hard data may not be available in the future.
- Data costs will increase
- Does not reflect affordability to parish of levy (ignores number of actual parishioners and their socio-economic situation)
- Is area/community data not parish data
- Can result in large swings every five years

2. Sunday Church Attendance - Three years average

Description. Allocation based on the average number of people who attend services in the 3 years two years before the allocation year. (2026 allocation year based on 2022-2024 data)

Pros-

- Data can be obtained from parish statistics
- Is easy to maintain and low cost
- Relates to the parish and not its community
- Three-year average will hopefully avoid sudden changes
- Easy to understand system

Cons-

- Data not easily verifiable and open to manipulation.
- In some respects, indicates ability to pay
- Does not fully reflect the ability of parish to pay (ignores parishioners' socioeconomic situation and other parish income)

3. Number of Direct Credit and Envelope Givers - Three Years Average

Description. Allocation based on the average last three years number of direct credit and envelope givers in the year two years before the allocation year (2026 allocation year based on 2024 data)

Pros-

- Verifiable data can be obtained from Xero.
- Is easy to maintain and low cost
- Relates to the parish and not its community.
- Three-year average will hopefully avoid sudden changes
- Easy to understand system

Cons-

- In some respects, indicates ability to pay
- Does not fully reflect the ability of parish to pay (ignores average giving and other parish incomes)

4. Average Last Three Years Total Income

Description. Allocation based on the average last three years total income ending two years before the allocation year. (2025 allocation year based on 2021 to 2023 data)

Pros-

- Verifiable data can be obtained from Xero.
- Is easy to maintain and low cost
- Relates to the parish and not its community.
- Gives a closer idea of ability to pay
- Three-year average will hopefully avoid sudden changes
- Easy to understand system

Cons-

- Does not fully reflect the ability of parish to pay (does not account for where parish is drawing on reserves to sustain ministry)
- Anomalies could be created due to fundraising for large capital projects such as roof repairs, earthquake strengthening, profit on the sale or revaluation of properties, and general larger scale refurbishment.

5. Average Last Three Years Assessable Income

Description. Allocation based on the average last three years assessable income ending two years before the allocation year. (2026 allocation year based on 2022 to 2024 data). Assessable income excludes non-Parish and unusual/one off income such as

- tagged missions giving
- flood relief and other disaster giving
- bequests
- diocesan contributions
- fundraising for a repairs and maintenance and capital projects over \$25,000
- gains on the sale or revaluation of properties
- capital distribution (negative or positive) from trust board

Pros-

- Verifiable data can be obtained from Xero.
- Is easy to maintain and low cost
- Relates to the parish and not its community.
- Gives a closer idea of ability to pay by excluding non-operational and one-off income.
- Three-year average will hopefully avoid sudden changes
- Easy to understand system

Cons-

- Does not fully reflect the ability of parish to pay (does not account for where parish is drawing on reserves to sustain ministry)

6. Average Last Three Years Total Expenditure - Three Years average

Description. Allocation based on the average last three years total expenditure ending two years before the allocation year. (2025 allocation year based on 2022 to 2024 data)

Pros-

- Verifiable data can be obtained from Xero.
- Is easy to maintain and low cost
- Relates to the parish and not its community.
- Gives a closer idea of ability to pay
- Three-year average will hopefully avoid sudden changes
- Easy to understand system

Cons-

- Does not fully reflect the ability of parish to pay (does not account for where parish is drawing on reserves to sustain ministry)
- Anomalies could be created due to expenditure for large capital projects such as roof repairs, earthquake strengthening, profit on the sale of properties and general larger scale refurbishment.

7. Average Last Three Years Assessable Expenditure

Description Allocation based on the average last three years assessable expenditure ending two years before the allocation year. (2025 allocation year based on 2021 to 2023 data). Assessable expenditure excludes non-Parish and unusual/one off income such as

- tagged missions expenditure
- flood relief and other disaster expenditure
- repairs and maintenance expenditure and capital projects over \$25,000
- losses on the sale or revaluation of properties

Pros-

- Verifiable data can be obtained from Xero.
- Is easy to maintain and low cost
- Relates to the parish and not its community.
- Gives a closer idea of ability to pay by excluding non-operational and one-off income.
- Three-year average will hopefully avoid sudden changes
- Easy to understand system

Cons-

- Does not fully reflect the ability of parish to pay (does not account for where parish is drawing on reserves to sustain ministry)

Matrix Assessment for system of allocating the Diocesan Levy

Option	A Affordability	B Understandable	C Sustainable	D Verifiable	E Gradual	Total
1. Status quo	0	2	1	0	0	3
2. Attendance	1	3	3	1	3	11
3. Givers	1	3	2	3	3	12
8. Total Inc	1	3	3	3	3	13
9. Assessable Inc	2	3	3	3	3	14
10. Total Exp	1	3	3	3	3	13
11. Assessable Exp	2	3	3	3	3	14

Impact of top two systems compared to Status Quo

To model the impact all six suggested systems would not be efficient so below I have modelled the effects of the top two new systems (Assessable Income) and (Assessable Expenditure) on individual parishes Diocesan Levy. The table below shows these effects.

Diocesan Levy	135,682						
Parish	Status Quo Allocation	Assessable Income allocation	Change In Levy Assessable Income \$	Change In Levy Assessable Income %	Assessable Expenditure Levy	Change In Levy Assessable Expenditure \$	Change In Levy Assessable Expenditure %
All Saints	6,352	13,427	7,075	111%	11,484	5,132	81%
Atawhai - Hira	4,022	3,258	-764	-19%	3,150	-872	-22%
Awatere	1,363	3,585	2,222	163%	4,023	2,659	195%
Blenheim	13,256	13,970	714	5%	12,411	-845	-6%
Blenheim - South	8,844	8,645	-199	-2%	7,416	-1,429	-16%
Buller	5,880	4,313	-1,567	-27%	5,456	-424	-7%
Cathedral	6,370	13,052	6,682	105%	13,992	7,622	120%
Cobden-Runanga	2,985	5,213	2,228	75%	3,958	973	33%
Golden Bay	3,951	3,587	-364	-9%	1,466	-2,485	-63%
Greymouth - Kumara	6,541	8,217	1,676	26%	9,157	2,616	40%
Havelock	2,433	2,838	406	17%	1,066	-1,367	-56%
Kaikoura	2,946	2,298	-648	-22%	3,052	107	4%
Mapua - Hills	3,276	4,018	742	23%	5,421	2,144	65%
Motueka	11,560	4,363	-7,196	-62%	4,386	-7,174	-62%
Picton	4,020	3,103	-917	-23%	3,957	-62	-2%
Reefton and Grey Valley	2,859	1,843	-1,016	-36%	1,944	-915	-32%
Richmond	12,980	7,215	-5,765	-44%	7,387	-5,593	-43%
Spring Ckeek	2,262	1,846	-416	-18%	1,115	-1,147	-51%
Stoke	12,282	8,294	-3,988	-32%	9,588	-2,694	-22%
Tahunanui	4,270	5,441	1,170	27%	6,123	1,853	43%
Victory	4,704	4,177	-526	-11%	4,998	295	6%
Waimea	3,539	5,230	1,691	48%	6,433	2,895	82%
Wairau Valley	3,853	3,084	-769	-20%	3,528	-325	-8%
Wakefield and Districts	5,135	4,666	-468	-9%	4,169	-966	-19%
TOTAL	135,682	135,682	0		135,682	0	

As can be seen there is a significant change in either new system. The range of change for the assessable income system being an increase of levy of \$7,075 to a reduction of levy of \$7,196. The range of change for the assessable expenditure system being an increase of levy of \$7,622 and a decrease of levy of \$7,174.

Given this level of change for some parishes it is suggested that the effect of the change be transitioned evenly over three years.

Standing Committees Input

Standing Committee acknowledges that this change impacts significantly on several parishes. This impact will increase if Synod decides to increase the percentage of the Diocesan cost parishes contribute towards, due to the decrease in Diocesan trust and St John's revenue. The discussion is also complex, and Synod representatives will need considerable time to discuss any change with their parishes

For this reason, Standing Committee does not want Synod to decide at this Synod to change the system but rather start a process of discussion over the next year with a final debate and decision at the 2026 Synod.

Anglican Care Committee Presentation

Jason Shaw presented on behalf of the **Anglican Care Committee (ACC)**, and outlined the purpose of his presentation: to highlight key social issues in the diocese and share encouraging developments from ACC and parish ministries.

Key Issues Identified

Jason noted recurring challenges across the diocese, including:

- Housing needs
- Poor mental health
- Lack of transport
- Cost of living pressures
- Social isolation and loneliness

These issues are commonly reported by social service organisations and are deeply affecting communities.

Church and Community Engagement

Jason shared that many social service organisations are open to partnering with the Church, recognising the value of connecting clients with a supportive community. He emphasised that existing parish ministries already address many community needs, though there appears to be a disconnect between what is offered and what is known by social workers.

Bridging the Gap - A Metaphor

Jason introduced a metaphor to illustrate the challenge of connecting people with the Church:

- The Church is depicted as a warm, welcoming space.
- The community stands outside, curious but hesitant.
- A “dodgy bridge” lies between, representing social anxiety, fear, and misunderstanding. He noted that this fear exists on both sides—community members hesitant to enter, and Christians hesitant to engage outside the Church.

Practical Responses

Two key strategies were highlighted to help bridge this gap:

- **Hardship Grants:**
ACC received over 230 applications last year, mostly from external organisations. Only 7 came from Anglican parishes. Jason encouraged Synod members to refer individuals in hardship, noting that grants are intended as a “hand up” within a wraparound support system.
- **Collaboration:**
ACC has partnered with organisations such as the Fifeshire Foundation to extend support (e.g., firewood, electricity payments). ACC is also part of **The Little Collective**, which includes:
 - Department of Internal Affairs
 - Fifeshire Foundation
 - The Care Foundation
 - Top of the South Community Trust
 - Anglican Care Committee

The Collective aims to care for more people collaboratively and cost-effectively. A pilot project focusing on oral health for those in hardship is underway, with plans to hire a project lead to assess needs and develop a strategy.

Maintaining Gospel Integrity

Jason affirmed that collaboration has not compromised the Church's gospel voice. ACC is welcomed as a faith-based partner, and Christian values are shared openly in secular settings.

Parish Involvement and Future Opportunities

ACC will continue to inform parishes about developments, recognising the vital role of Vicars in identifying community needs. Collaboration may also open doors for parishioners previously unable to access support.

Encouragement and Missional Impact

Jason shared encouraging signs of missional opportunities emerging through collaboration. Examples include:

- Heart Foundation engagement with eldercare ministries
- Free training on elder abuse awareness
- Growing recognition of spirituality in community care

He described ACC as “the oil that loosens evangelism,” quoting:

“People don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care.”

Jason invited Synod members to contact the committee for more information about hardship grants, project grants, or any aspect of ACC's work.

FRIDAY BIBLE REFLECTION - EPHESIANS 4: 1-6

Sam Oomen

Introduction

- Introduce the idea that while we're all uncomfortable with conflict, journeying through conflict can be an invitation to deeper relationship.
- Share a personal story about the way my relationship deepened with my parents through journeying through conflict.

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-3

- Note the urgency in Paul's call to unity, double entendre as Paul sees himself as both literally imprisoned for Christ's sake, while also a prisoner of Christ - bound to follow Him.
- Paul begins to unpack practical ways of maintaining unity, calling followers of Christ to gentleness, humility and patience with their brothers and sisters in Christ.

Getting it wrong

- Sharing about my perspective during covid and my shortcomings in the way I engaged with leaders at the time as a youth pastor.
- In this story I did not show gentleness, patience or humility.
- Each of us are bound by a very narrow lens. Part of the gift of community is different perspectives that help broaden our lens. To do this well we need to do a better job of laying assumptions aside.

Ephesians 4:4-6

- Paul shares a beautiful call to unity based on some of the core unifying factors of our faith.
- How easy it is for us to allow issues that aren't central to the gospel to balloon up and become bigger than they should.
- Part of me looks at the story of my family and goes - "well of course we worked through things, we're family".
- The gospel is radical and calls us to see ourselves as brothers and sisters in Christ. We need to grow in embracing this call and journeying through conflict with one another, as a family.

SATURDAY BIBLE REFLECTION - EPHESIANS 4: 7-16

Rev Alice Kinyua

Scripture Focus: Ephesians 4:7-16

- Build on the "**Healthy Church**" theme and picks up from where the previous speaker (Sam) left off.
- Emphasize that Ephesians is structured in two parts:
 - **Chapters 1-3:** Theological foundation – Who God is and what He has done.
 - **Chapters 4-6:** Application – Who we should be and how to live in light of that truth.

Key Teachings

1. Paul's Call to Unity (Eph 4:1)
 - Paul **begs** believers to live worthy of their calling.
 - He urges unity despite divisions, especially between Jews and Gentiles.
 - Paul's imprisonment was due to his efforts to bridge that divide (with Trophimus from Ephesus).
2. Grace and Gifts (Eph 4:7-10): Where are the gifts from?
 - Each believer is given grace according to Christ's gift.
 - Christ, who descended and ascended, gives gifts to His people (quoting Psalm 68).
 - These gifts are not earned; they flow from Christ's victory and are delivered by the Holy Spirit.
3. People as Gifts (Eph 4:11): What are the gifts?
 - God **didn't just give gifts**; He **made people the gifts**: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers.
 - These roles are not about status but are God's provision for the church.
4. Purpose of the Gifts (Eph 4:12-16): What are the gifts for?
 - To **equip** the saints for ministry and **build up** the Body of Christ.
 - "Equip" also means to **reset** or "set a bone" – painful but essential for proper function.
 - The goal is **maturity**, unity, and protection from false doctrine and spiritual deception.

Modern Challenges

- Many Christians are **vulnerable to false teachings** and **spiritual confusion**.
- Real-life stories of:
 - A woman drawn into **Jehovah's Witnesses**.
 - Another woman mixing **Christianity with mysticism and crystals**.
 - A church elder who is an open **Freemason** while serving in ministry.
- These stories illustrate the **winds of doctrine** and **confusion** facing today's believers.

Reflection Questions

1. Are our congregations **spiritually mature** and **fit for purpose**, or do they need **spiritual resetting**?
2. What kind of **pastors, teachers, apostles, evangelists, and prophets** do we need?
3. If we lack these, are we **praying for God** to raise them up?
4. What **false teachings** threaten our communities today?

Core Message:

A healthy church is **equipped, unified, and mature**, growing in Christ through the faithful use of God-given gifts. The challenges are real, but grace has been provided. We must rely on Christ, His Word, and His Spirit to build a church that is strong, discerning, and anchored in truth.