



Alpine Presbytery

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Crossway Community Church Opening & Dedication

Sunday 21st March at 2.30pm.

Crossway Community Church (incorporating St Columba Presbyterian and Shirley-Richmond Methodist) invites you to come to the Opening and Dedication of their new building at 105 North Avon Road (entrance off Chrystal Street).



Alpine Presbytery Gathering

19-21 March, at St David's in Ashburton

Programme and papers for the Gathering can be downloaded here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/1eogrfn6xe8pcwo/AACLmfDc8YX0xXjnOP81TTfSa?dl=0>

Coracle - a week-end for explorers

Friday 30 April 7pm – Sunday 2 May midday, at Hanmer Springs Forest Camp

Cost: \$50 pp (Includes meals on Saturday, refreshments and venue)

In the 6th Century, Columba arrived on the Island of Iona on a "coracle." A coracle is a small boat, and for some Celtic missionaries they would simply go where the tide took them. Pilgrim, voyager, explorer, pioneer – all words that describe a sense of "finding our way" with no fixed idea of what the future may look like.

Maybe these words describe you or someone you know? Maybe you have questions about church, mission, the future – wondering about what could be, and carrying some questions about what is now – if so join us in Hanmer Springs in 2021. Coracle is for people interested in exploring new ways of being church to tell stories, learn together, pray and listen. Some conversations will explore practical steps like getting started in a venture like this.

More information & Registration at alpinepresbytery.org/coracle/

Download the flyer here: [Coracle](#)

Notices & News from other organisations

Youth Mental Health Educator—Anglican Diocese of Christchurch

Full Time, 1 year fixed term contract

New Zealand is facing a huge challenge in responding to the mental and emotional health needs emerging in our communities. Since the Canterbury Earthquakes, and Covid-19, Christchurch has experienced an additional surge in need, especially amongst

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Presbytery Retreat at Hanmer Springs: 2—4 May

Newsletter Items

Please share this Newsletter around your Parish, especially with members of Session/Parish Council and all office bearers.

Details of events, or requests to be added to the distribution list, should be emailed to gail@alpinepresbytery.org

Cut off for items for next week's Newsletter: **Thursday 25th March**



our young people.

The Youth Mental Health Educator role is a 1 year fixed contract working to continue the work of the previous person who was in the role for two years.

The key aspects of the role are to support youth workers and clergy in the Anglican Diocese of Christchurch.

Skills and experience required:

- An appreciation for the Christian and Anglican contexts; familiarity with Anglican ministry will be an advantage.
- Competency and experience in areas of mental and emotional health, youth work, education and communication, and Christian theology.
- A bachelor's degree or higher from an NZ university or polytechnic or equivalent institution overseas.
- A full driver's licence.

The ability to:

- self-manage time well
- think strategically
- relate well to youth and young adults
- have a creative attitude to problem solving, and
- collaborate proactively

Some hours of work, in order to engage with youth groups in the Diocese, will involve evenings and weekends.

The full job description is available [here](#). If you think you can match these requirements and you are seeking the challenge this role will present, then submit your application and CV to the Executive Assistant at bishopsea@anglicanlife.org.nz by 5pm **Tuesday 5 April 2021**.

Christchurch City Mission Social Services Team Vacancies

The City Mission are currently actively recruiting for special people to join our Social Services team. We are seeking Casual Emergency Accommodation Workers in our Men's and Women's Emergency Accommodation spaces, as well as a permanent Social Worker to work within our Social Impact team. Info about each role can be found in the vacancies section of our website: <https://www.citymission.org.nz/vacancies>.

Applications close on Friday 26 March.

New journal table-of-contents - Hewitson Library

Here are the contents pages from the most recent issue of:

[Art and Christianity, No 105, Spring 2021](#)

[The Burning Bush, Vol 27 No 1, January 2021](#)

Email hewitson@prcknox.org.nz if you would like copies of any of the articles scanned and sent to you.

From the last Newsletter

- Children's Day in Darfield
- Prayer Retreat
- Connect online - PYM
- Enneagram Workshop - Fri 23 (pm) & Sat 24 April 2021
- Training Day on Environmental Sustainability

Dropbox link for documents mentioned in this newsletter can be accessed via this link: control & click, or copy & paste the link to your browser:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5k528skz4niqhg/AABDjLatKU2-C2reVHA6hVza?dl=0>

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Presbytery Directory

If you need to obtain information from the Presbytery Directory, please initially ask your Parish Office, as most of these have been given a log-on to Infoodle.

If you do need for your own logon access, send your request to Gail at gail@alpinepresbytery.org.

Please do bear in mind, though, that we need to be aware of our obligations under the Privacy Act.

Resources

A selection of resources and links to resources to assist you with your work and outreach can be found on our website here: alpinepresbytery.org/resources/

Alpine Presbytery Culture & Strategic Framework

[Click here](#) to download this document, updated September 2020