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Twilight Christmas Market

Friday 10th December, 5-8pm, at St Martins Presbyterian Church, 43 St Martins Rd

A relaxed Christmas shopping experience under Level 2 guidelines. Takeaway hot food available. Face painting, candy floss, Christmas baking and gifts and more. All are welcome. A combined fundraiser for St Martins Presbyterian Church & St Mark's Anglican Church Opawa. More information from stmartpresch@xtra.co.nz

Alpine Mission Fund and other Presbytery Grants

A reminder that the cut off dates for applications for Grants is **25th February**. Information and application forms can be found on our website, or by following these links:

Alpine Mission Fund

[Alpine Mission Fund Information Sheet](#)

[Alpine Mission Fund Expression Of Interest](#)

[Alpine Mission Fund Application – General, \\$10,000+](#)

[Alpine Mission Fund Application – Building, \\$10,000+](#)

Presbytery Grants

Details of the various funds can be found on the [Alpine Grants Information Sheet](#)

Application forms can be downloaded here:

[Grant form Alpine August 2020](#)

[St David's Trust Grant Application Form August 2020](#)

Ethics Workshops via Zoom—pre Easter 2022

Attendance at these workshops is required for ministers to retain their Certificate of Good Standing. It is open and highly recommended for all church staff; and elders and pastoral visitors.

The workshop will

1. Introduce/reintroduce participants to the Code of Ethics
2. Refresh some key aspects of the Book of Order and Conditions of Service Manual
3. Reflect on key aspects of natural justice
4. Reflect on key aspects of high ethical behaviour in practical situations
5. Reflect on appropriate levels of competence
6. Reflect on best practice

And enable us all to learn from one another

These workshops are being organised by Wellington. Register by emailing: aes@presbyterian.org.nz advising date and time; zoom link will be sent to those who register.

Dates:

Wednesday 16 February 2022, 9am—12noon

Wednesday 23 March 2022, 1pm—4pm

COMING UP

Twilight Christmas Market: 10th December, St Martins Presbyterian Church, Christchurch

Andrew Norton Young Leaders Scholarship: applications close 19 December

Oxford District Union 50th Anniversary: 30th January 2022

Presbytery Gathering: 18 & 19 March 2022

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

*The last Newsletter for this year will be next week, with cut off for items for inclusion being **Thursday 16th December**.*

The first Newsletter for 2021 will be 13th January.



Commissioning of Local Ordained Probationer

Jess Dreadon was Commissioned as a Local Ordained Probationer at Hope Rolleston last Sunday. Rev Dr Michael Reid, a co-convenor of the Presbytery student committee, lead the commissioning. Jess was acknowledged with good cheers and warmth by her church community. Rev Anne Stewart is her Training Enabler in conjunction with the Knox Centre.



Tuesday Night Psalms

Tuesday Night Psalms is a new format of worship for young people with songs, prayer and psalm. It takes place at Crossway Community Church, 105 North Avon Road, Christchurch, at 8pm every Tuesday night, and it does continue throughout the holiday period. All young people welcome.

Financial Consolidation—Thank you

A big thank you from the Alpine Council to Gail and all our parish administrators and treasures who were involved in supplying information for the 2021 Financial Consolidation of annual accounts. We were the first Presbytery to have all of its churches supply their information for the consolidation and we appreciate all your efforts in working on this in a timely manner, which greatly assisted the national office.

Ann McMillan, Convenor Property and Finance Team

Assistant to the Minister—St Paul's Trinity Pacific Presbyterian Church, Christchurch

- Are you passionate about God and have a heart to serve within the church and in the community?
- Would you like to provide leadership and support within a multi-cultural church in the heart of the city?
- Are you someone that follows Jesus, is led by the Holy Spirit and would like to be involved in growing and shaping our church?
- Do you enjoy working with youth and young adults?
- Are you a New Zealand citizen/ New Zealand Resident?

Here at St Paul's we know our strength comes from our Father in Heaven, working together as one team to build a solid foundation on His Word and Truth. When you join us, you'll be getting involved first hand to contribute and support the leadership of our Church. We are a diverse and multi-cultural church and love creating opportunities for our people to get involved within different communities.

This position will report to the Church Council and work closely together with our Senior Minister, Rev Makesi Alatimu. It also involves working across other areas of the church, such as supporting our Senior Minister with his role and leading and assisting ministry teams with their ongoing work, purpose and plans.

You will have strong leadership, service and communication skills to assist our Senior Minister and ministry teams across the Church. Your previous experience in church leadership roles will help ensure you have a down-to-earth approach to connect with members of the church, community and especially our youth. You will use your skills and understanding to help develop a positive, collaborative culture across all ages, ethnicities and cultures within our church. We know to succeed in this role you will have an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ and be led by the Holy Spirit. A knowledge of Presbyterian church ministry would also be advantageous.

In return for your leadership and support as well as your motivation to make things happen, we offer you the opportunity to get first-hand experience helping to shape the future of our church!

If you believe that this position is for you then please view the position description (click here: [Assistant to the Minister](#)) and we look forward to hearing from you. God Bless!

Salary: Will be discussed with the successful applicant; **Hours of work:** Permanent, full time/part time.

Email Cover letter and CV to pana.togiaso@outlook.com

Notices & News from other organisations

Vacancy for Part-time Ordained Minister

Te Aroha Cooperating Parish (Presbyterian/Methodist), Kaimai Presbytery, is seeking an ordained minister to become part of the ministry leadership team on a half time basis.

Responsibilities would include preaching, visiting, taking communion to shut ins and generally providing leadership for the parish; involvement with an active Ministers' Association (The Minister's Association organises combined services five times a year including an annual Good Friday March and an Advent Service in the Domain); and taking an interest in the activities of the Community Trust which operates from St David's.

There are two worship centres, Te Aroha and Waitoa. A Deacon focuses on ministry in the Waitoa area and is involved in the activities of the Ministers' Association.

We are mainly an older congregation who are active, welcoming and community focussed, always looking for new ways to serve Jesus Christ. Mission Statement: *We worship God, follow Jesus and serve our community.* Trust activities are supported by church members and include a weekly Music and Movement group, a weekly Care & Craft group, a weekly Community Lunch, a fortnightly shopping bus service, and an annual Day camp during the October school holidays. A Toy Library also operates from our premises under the umbrella of the Trust.

The parish has a team of competent and experienced lay preachers who lead worship services, including taking a turn on the rosters at the two rest homes. There is also a team of experienced and faithful people who manage the parish and contribute to spiritual and practical activities. An office administrator is employed for 8 hours a week.

Remuneration, hours and tenure for this position will be by negotiation. The way in which the 50% time is worked is negotiable to suit the applicant. A church house is available (could be partly furnished) and is up to standard. The position is available at the end of March 2022.

Expressions of interest are to be sent by email to Parish Council member, Tom Luxton, tomraewynluxton@gmail.com

Other Newsletters

[Bush Telegraph](#)

[Bushfire December 2021](#)

From the last Newsletter

- Day of Prayer
- PCANZ & COVID19 Protection Framework
- Help with Vaccine Passes
- Opening of Kaikoura building
- Scam Alert
- Oxford District Union Parish 50th Anniversary
- Project Coordinator—KCML
- West Papua National Day

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/5k528skz4niqhgq/AABDjLatKU2-C2reVHA6hVza?dl=0>

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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

Presbytery Directory

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

If you do have a 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.