



The Ad Clerum – July 2017

Greetings everyone

Sabbatical:

Since returning from Sabbatical I've hit the ground running and sabbatical may have become something of a blur except for those nuggets of pure gold that I know are going to influence the next steps in my ministry. I had three broad areas that I wanted to focus on during this Sabbatical.

Firstly: I wanted to explore relationships between Bishops and Cathedrals because of the special relationship that has developed with the Cathedral here over the past year or two, and looking at different governance/management models that are in place in different provinces around the world. Sadly, most of the learning came out of very negative relationships that many Bishops are experiencing overseas. At the risk of over-generalising (or over-simplifying) the situation, it seems as though Bishops (by their ordination vows) are called to be guardians of the *faith* while Cathedrals (to one degree or another) believe they exist to guard the *tradition* and the two may not be one-and-the-same. I have more work to do processing my thoughts and observations – but it has certainly been a very enlightening study.

Secondly: the opportunity to attend the Alpha leadership conference hosted by Holy Trinity, Brompton was a watershed. The interviews with Cardinal Luis Tagle (Cardinal Archbishop of the Philippines) and Jean Vanier (L'Arché) touched me very deeply. It wasn't so much the content of what they shared, as much as the grace, the humility, the honesty, the simplicity and the faith that they both radiated. They were profoundly moving interviews. In a total contrast of style and content was the interview (and the workshop) that Hilary and I attended taken by Simon Sinek – a marketing consultant, motivational speaker and author. In his mid-forties, Sinek had been through an intense time of self-reflection that led him to reconsider the whole issue of leadership. This culminated in his book 'It All Begins with Why', which was at the heart of his two presentations. He challenged all my preconceived thoughts on leadership and my own personal understanding and practice of strategic planning. In a nutshell – much of what passes for strategic planning answers the two questions 'what is it that we do' and 'how do we do it'. Sinek suggests that there is an even more important question – one that is always addressed first by exceptional leaders – 'why are we doing it'. What is the big vision/dream that gets us up in the morning inspired and excited to get on with the 'what' and the 'how' - This is the 'Why.' I'd certainly encourage all clergy to get this book – and also to watch his TED talk which is one of the most popular of all TED talks.

Thirdly: It was a time to reflect on my own ministry and my own spiritual temperature. Taking time out to do this should be a part of every clergy person's routine. Most of us need guidance to do this – to have someone we can be accountable to; someone who we trust to talk through our fears and our doubts (particularly our self-doubts). 'Clergy self-care' was the topic given to the keynote speaker at the annual clergy conference in the Diocese of Derry and Raphoe (Northern Ireland) at which I was doing the Bible Studies. Led by an Episcopalian priest from the Diocese of Florida (Rev Dr Rob Lord) they were presentations that were incredibly timely and when he finally gets around to getting all his thoughts into print, I shall certainly make it recommended reading.

Thank-you to all who enabled me to take this Sabbatical, particularly those who 'held the fort' during these weeks.

People:

I was very sad to receive the news of our former Dean, Nick Kirk's death. It has been very painful to watch Nick's deterioration as the motor neurone become more debilitating. And yet, at the same time it has been amazing to watch the love of his family surrounding him and the increasing strength of trust in Jesus that has always been a part of Nick's life and faith. I admired his simple, but incredibly deep faith in the reality of Jesus and the exciting presence of God's Holy Spirit. He just believed so passionately and couldn't always understand why others didn't believe in the same way.

His funeral was a celebration of Nick's life and faith and it was a privilege to be able to go up to it with Hilary together with Dean Mike Hawke, and Jane Wulff (parish nurse at the Cathedral) – along with Rev Felicity Whitcombe who worked alongside Nick at the Cathedral. It was an opportunity as well to catch up with Ian and Karen Thatcher who were able to come across from Feilding for the funeral. Our love and prayers are with Kim and all Nick's family.

Our prayers are also with Dawn Daunauda as she grieves the death of her dad. Dawn was able to spend quality time with her dad over the last days and has very special memories of him. The funeral is tomorrow afternoon (Saturday) at Marsden House and will be taken by Dean Mike. All our love goes out to Dawn and her sons, Josiah and Michael.

Everyone will be aware of the imminent retirement of Dean Charles from his role as Elder Care enabler. Charles' most effective work has been as a support person to the community organisations that protect the rights and concerns of the vulnerable elderly in our midst. We pray for Charles and Elaine in yet another time of transition.

It has been a very difficult decision that the Cathedral has had to make to discontinue the position of Priest Assistant because of the downturn in finances. It is interesting that while numbers attending the Cathedral's services have increased, the finances have decreased. The AGM was alerted to the fact that they were facing a projected deficit of \$50,000 but it made no difference in the weeks that followed, so the difficult decision was made and Rev Owen Haring was offered a financial package by the Cathedral Council which he accepted with great grace. Please pray for Owen as he considers his options for the future. In the short-term he is licensed as a non-stipendiary priest to Rev Susan Gill in the parish of Richmond where Owen lives.

Other:

It's really exciting to see development at Nelson's Seafarers Mission – particularly the provision of a new building and the amazing support of the Port Company. This is mainly due to the incredible work of Rev Franz Murbach who has been chaplain to the Mission for far longer than he first agreed to. He has huge energy and passion and has transformed the mission – he makes me tired just watching the vibrancy he has. We wish him every blessing in his 'retirement!'

It is well worth reading Russell Smith's book 'Mission to the Ends of the Earth.' He has a great style and it reads more like a novel than the well-researched and presented history book that it actually is.

He draws you into the characters of these early missionaries. Copies can be obtained through the Anglican Centre office or through Russell.

Finally a link that you might find challenging or encouraging. Certainly worth a look.
<http://www.christianweek.org/10-predictions-future-church-shifting-attendance-patterns/>

With every blessing
+Richard

The following for your information and parish newsletters

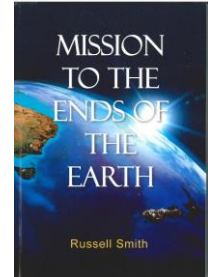
FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- For Owen Haring as he considers options for the future.
- Continued prayers for Kim Kirk and family.
- For Dawn, Josiah and Michael Daunauda with the recent passing of Dawn's father

NOTICES

(refer to 'Ministry Education' for details of training events coming up)

Mission to the Ends of the Earth – by Russell Smith. What happened after Samuel Marsden preached his first sermon in NZ in 1814? Find out in this fascinating, well-researched book. \$26.00 – purchases may be made through the Anglican Centre, reception@nelsonanglican.nz 03 548 3124



Holy Land 2018 – Join Mike and Patsy Hawke on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land next year: May5-28 approx.

We will go to Jordan: walk the Petra Valley, then cross the Jordan river and stay in the old city of Jerusalem for 4 nights. We then head to Bethlehem, Nazareth and Galilee, where we can renew our baptism vows.

You can also sign up for Greece- Athens where we will go to the Areopagus (our Bible reading 2 weeks ago Acts 17) We will spend a day in Corinth as well. We end up on the island of Patmos where John was imprisoned and where he wrote the book of Revelation. There may be folk in your parish who would love to come. Please advertise this in your parish. It could be a dream come true for them.

Rev Tim Mora, Mark and Pip Chamberlain came on the last Pilgrimage as well as Clergy and lay folk from all over N Z. More info from tours@innovativetravel.co.nz 0508100111 or Mike Hawke 021711726

AMB - Items wanted for Fiji

The Diocese of Polynesia office has asked if we are able to assist with the following:

- a spare laptop that could be donated to their clergy in Fiji
- any spare home Communion sets – especially for taking communion to the sick or housebound; and
- any spare altar linens

If you can help with any of these items, please contact the Anglican Missions office at info@angmissions.org.nz or phone Linda on (04)4735172.

Celtic Christianity Pilgrimage - Exploring significant Celtic Christian sites in England, Wales, Ireland & Scotland, including the islands of Iona and Lindisfarne

Thursday 12 April to Tuesday 1 May 2018

Accompanying Chaplain: Archbishop Sir David Moxon

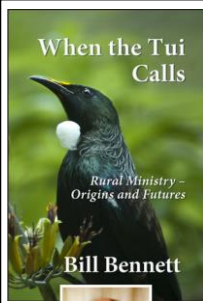
Pilgrimage Leaders: Rev John Hornblow and Dr Jenny Boyack

Pilgrimage is about engaging with a place, its people and their stories. Pilgrimage is part of our heritage as Christians. It provides an opportunity to pause, reflect and ask questions, with times for prayer and worship. Those interested in joining this pilgrimage are welcome regardless of religious affiliation or belief. **Accommodation** is in retreat centres, monasteries, nunneries and modern hotels. **Further information is on**

www.pilgrimage.nz **To register your interest** please email John and Jenny at hornblow@ihug.co.nz or phone 063587824 or 021 437566.

Synod 2017 – 31 August to 2 September: Synod Service on **Thursday 31st August** at Nelson Cathedral. Synod **1 – 2 September** at Hills Community church, Mapua.

Decade of Mission Resource website - The Decade of Mission team have a resource, story, info website, which we would ask you to publicise, circulate, link to from all your platforms please. <http://tekareongawai.org/#tekareongawai>



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MINISTRY EDUCATION

EQUIP MINISTRY EDUCATION

For this year EQUIP is going to run a little differently. Rather than 3 Saturdays in each region, EQUIP is going to have a focus month in each region so that in that month, 4 evening sessions will be held on the topics of

- The Big Story of the Bible
- Handling the Bible.

These would be great events post-ALPHA, for home groups, and for training new leaders.

I'm aware that several parishes are focusing on ALPHA in the first part of the year, so we try and plan the events to avoid ALPHA. Now is a good time to think of those you want to get involved in training in 2017 or if BTC can tailor-make some training for your parish/region.

Region	Dates	Location	Topic	Staff
Waimea	Wed. July 19	Wakefield	Big Story	Graham
	Wed. July 26	Wakefield	Big Story	Graham
	Wed. August 2	Motueka	Handling the Bible	Graham
	Wed. August 9	Motueka	Handling the Bible	Graham
Marlborough	Wed Sept 20	Renwick	Big Story	Kate
	Wed Sept 27	Renwick	Big Story	Kate
	Wed Oct 18	Nativity	Handling the Bible	Kate
	Wed Oct 25	Nativity	Handling the Bible	Kate
Nelson	Thr Aug 3		Big Story	Kate
	Thr Aug 10		Big Story	Kate
	Thr Aug 17		Handling the Bible	Graham
	Thr Aug 24		Handling the Bible	Graham
Mawhera	Saturday Sept 16	Greymouth	Big Story	TBC
	(Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16)	Saturday Sept 23 or Sept 30 and Oct 4 Nov 4 and Nov 18	Greymouth	Handling the Bible
Other				
Golden Bay				

POST ORDINATION MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT (POMD):

Post Ordination Ministry Development (POMD) is a 3-year programme for those newly ordained (and if required those new to the Diocese), and is a requirement of your ordination and Bishop's license. The aim of POMD is to cover ministry competencies for your current and future ministry and to build collegiality as a group.

The current POMD process is 2-fold. **First**, participation in a *Community of Practice* (replaces or sits alongside regional deanery meetings).

	Mawhera	Nelson 1st Thr (Grp 2)	Waimea 1st Thr	Marlborough 3rd Thr
Pattern	1st Fri	(Grp 2)	1st Thr	3rd Thr
July		(5)	6	
August	18	3		
September		(13)	7	21
October	13	5		
November		23 (8)	2	16
December	1			

The **second** part is new for 2017 and replaces the previous POMD model of meeting 1 day a month. The plan is to meet three times each year; 2 one-day meetings, and 1 two-day meeting (Marae visit or Bishop's retreat). The aim for each day will be to discuss 2 ministry competencies. Please note a change to **FRIDAY to enable everyone to be there**. May and August events will be held in **Blenheim** (Nelson Folks hopefully we can carpool).

Suggested dates (venue to be confirmed):

- **AUG 11** (FRIDAY): Weddings and Delegation
- **NOV 9-10** (THR-FRI)

Daily Plan:

- Arrive 9.30am – coffee
- Begin 10.00am -Topic 1
- Lunch 12.30
- Begin 1.30 – Topic 2
- Finish 4pm

Competencies

1. Church Practices	2. Leadership and Management
• Baptism	• Vision
• Weddings	• Leadership
• Funerals	• Communication skills
• Worship: traditional and informal (communion)	• Church growth
• Anglican/bi-cultural/Marae Visit	• Conflict management
• Preaching (covered by the School of Preaching)	• Building teams
• Evangelism	• MAP
• Welcoming/Incorporation	• Spiritual Gifts
• Missional Ministry	• Time management, delegation
• Ministry to Children, Youth, Elderly	• Boundaries/SafeHere/Title D
	• Self Care

CPE 2018

The dates for CPE in 2018 are:

- February 7,8,9
- February 22,23
- March 8,9
- March 22,23
- April 12,13
- April 26,27
- May 10,11
- May 24,25
- June 7,8

Through Laidlaw College/BTC, CPE can be included in the degree as 30 credits at level 6 and 15 credits at level 7 run concurrently, or as a "Certificate of Proficiency". A funding subsidy for CPE is available through the Ministry Education Coordinator. CPE consists of 400hrs training over 18 weeks, including: 15hr pastoral ministry/week, 2 days group work per fortnight, and 5hr reading/writing/reflection per week.

INTERNATIONAL RURAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE

This event aims to inspire, encourage and equip rural church leaders from across the globe as they explore the challenges and opportunities facing rural mission and ministry. With a learning community approach at its core, lay and ordained groups from countries and regions will consider together the 'What is?', 'What could be?' and 'What will be?' for their rural church context, inspired by stories and worship from different countries and traditions, and fed by key notes on reconciling communities and collaborative ministry. Delegates will leave with action steps for their area, a set of resources for mission and poverty reduction, new friends and a network offering ongoing support.

<https://irca.online/conferences/>

April 15-20, 2018, Lincoln University

Cost: Early Bird (before Sept 20, 2017) \$1,300 (incl accommodation) or \$755 (excl Accommodation); Full price \$1,500 or \$950 (some funding will be available from ministry education)

SPECIAL POMD EVENT



At the invitation of Bp Richard and the Latimer Fellowship, Rev Kanishka Raffell, Dean of Sydney Cathedral, will be visiting the Diocese and offering a seminar for all clergy on "Confidence in the Gospel" – Friday October 20 – DETAILS TBC. **PLEASE PUT THIS IN YOUR DIARY.**

Kanishka was born in London to Sri Lankan parents and was raised as a Buddhist. While studying law at Sydney University a friend gave him a copy of The Gospel according to John and he subsequently became a Christian. Prior to becoming Dean in 2016, Kanishka served as Rector of St Matthew's in Perth. He is married to Cailey and they have two daughters. He loves curry, cricket and having gelato at the beach with his family but knows no pleasure so great as sharing the news about Jesus with people who have no idea who Jesus is or how much he loves them.

CALEB LEADERSHIP COURSE

The 2017 course is being held in Richmond July 25-Aug 4. For more details, see <http://www.calebnz.org.nz> or talk to me. There is funding available.

WILLOWCREEK GLS 2107

This year we are going to try something different and run this ourselves in each region. Dates TBC so watch this space.

MINISTRY INTERNSHIP SCHEME

If you are interested in this for 2018 now is a good time to begin a conversation with myself, your vestry and any possible intern. Please remember that an intern is a training position, so the intern needs to be working under someone with experience. We now have the exciting development of offering a 1yr fulltime certificate and diploma which majors on internship (20hrs per week) which would be ideal for any young person wanting to do a gap year programme or gain experience in Christian ministry. Our two internship options are:

- a. *Fulltime Level 4 Certificate of Christian studies (Internship); Level 5 Diploma of Christian Studies (Leadership).*
- b. *Fulltime BTC (4 papers/semester) and 10hrs ministry per week.*

ALPHA

A copy of the new Alpha film series is on memory stick at the Resource Library (Anglican Centre).

ALPHA PRAYER COURSE

Journey through the Lord's Prayer with six short videos and a handy "cheat sheet" for each session, all designed to fuel discussion and deepen the prayer life of your church.

Download all material **free** from <https://www.prayercourse.org/>

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

Online and Free

<http://courses.biblemesh.com/course-catalog/all/christianity-explored-course>

BOOKS TO READ:

- John Burke, *No Perfect People Allowed: creating a Come As You Are culture in the Church*, Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2007. (Thanks Marge Tefft for this)
- Matt Perman, *What's Best Next: How the Gospel transforms the way you get things done*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2017.
- James K.A. Smith, *You are what you love: The spiritual power of habit* (Brazos, 2016). A Quote:

RESOURCES

NEW Resources now available - If you know of any good small group resources, please let me know so we can update our supply.

EQUIP DVDs are also available at Holy Trinity, Greymouth and St Christopher's, Blenheim for loan.

Please let your small group leaders know about these resources by passing this list on.

NAME	TYPE	LOCATION
Willowcreek GLS 2016	DVD	Anglican Centre
New Alpha Film Series	Memory stick	Anglican Centre
Small Groups with purpose: How to create Healthy Communities	Book by Steve Gladen	Anglican Centre
Good Questions have small groups talking	Book by Josh Hunt	Anglican Centre

Online: via BTC/ Diocesan websites "Resources" sections

BTC has now established a platform to make video presentations available at www.bishopdale.ac.nz/media including the Rob Harley **Storytelling and Communication Master Class**.

Free Online Resources - Free Lectionary/Theme based resources and for all ages. <http://connectible.nz/> <http://localsharedministry.com/>

Book Summary sites - The Leaders Book Summaries www.studyleadership.com
Books at a Glance <http://www.booksataglance.com>
Let me know if you are interested in joining these

Questions on Theology and Science- BIOLOGOS is an organization founded by Francis Collins, of dedicated evangelicals committed to the relationship between the Christian faith and science. They have a new site for "pastor resources" which has very good resources for many of the difficult questions people ask. New Resource: <http://biologos.org/resources/the-big-story/>

A great video of NT Wright talking about Christ and Creation
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6h0yEpqDEI8>

ISCAST is an Australian organisation (with many NZers and expats) dedicated to exploring the interface between science and the Christian faith. Its membership consists of scientists, theologians and professionals with standing in their own fields and a commitment to the Christian faith. Their website has many good resources that tackle many questions about science and faith. See <http://www.iscast.org>.

InterChurch Bioethics Council The **InterChurch Bioethics Council** (ICBC) is composed of appointed representatives from Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches for the purpose of addressing crucial ethical issues in NZ relating to bioethics <http://www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz> and Facebook.

God Bless
Graham

- Welcomes the Protestant, Reformed and outwardly engaged stance of modern Anglican mission and ministry.
- Has been used by God in bringing people to new life in Christ, and growing people up in Christian faith, love and service.
- Servant-hearted, humble and energetic in taking risks to grow the influence of the gospel with the next generation.
- A theological degree to a Bachelors or higher level at an evangelical College.
- Able to teach the Bible with clarity, conviction and care.
- A willingness to work collaboratively in a team environment with an ability to train leaders and co-ordinate ministry teams.
- Anglican ordination and some years of experience are desirable.

It is envisaged that the right person might take a leading role in pastoring our families congregation, with responsibility for young adults also. The role has flexibility for the right applicant, in order to make best use our collective abilities in the Lord's service.

This is a full-time role, working collegially with the Vicar. The role has the normal requirements and expectations around ethical Christian character, as well as routine police vetting checks for working with children.

For more information about our church, contact our Parish Manager through our website or via our office admin@stchristophers.org.nz, phone (03) 358 8780 or +64 3 358 8780.

Please send your application the Bishop of Christchurch with a CV, and a statement about your faith and personal approach to ministry: bishopspa@anglicanlife.org.nz. Closing date is Monday 31st July 2017.