

# Alpine Presbytery

*resourcing the braided river*

## Newsletter 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022

Cut off for items for inclusion in next Newsletter is **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

### Manse Opening

The Hanmer Manse was officially opened on Saturday after extensive renovations. It was celebrated with around 40 people representing local families, faith communities, presbytery and the project oversight team. The opening acknowledged the history of respite and rehabilitation in the area with the now closed Queen Mary Hospital and encouraged people to refer to those that need a break.

The house is available for general accommodation hire with profits enabling the house to offer free respite getaways for those in need.

For more information contact Ben and Philippa on 021 223 7886 or [hanmer.springs@alpinepresbytery.org.nz](mailto:hanmer.springs@alpinepresbytery.org.nz)



### Hakaterere Presbyterian Parish Celebration Service

Hakaterere Presbyterian Parish in Ashburton is holding a celebration service, to mark the end of services at the former St James' Church on **Sunday, December 11, at 10am**. Anyone with a link to the church is invited to attend the service at the church at the corner of Thomson and Grahams Street in Tinwald.

The service will be followed by a celebration morning tea.

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## HOON HAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WITH STEDFAST BRASS PRESENT



**FREE FAMILY EVENT. BRING A PICNIC  
AND SING-A-LONG TO YOUR  
FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

**DEC  
12**

**5.30 P.M - 7.00 PM. @ HHPC  
5 DOWNING STREET, HOON HAY**

**BOUNCY CASTLE AND FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE.  
COFFEE CART AND ICE CREAM VENDORS**

### ***Bush Telegraph December 2022***

View the latest Bush Telegraph (and previous months as well) at:

[www.presbyterian.org.nz/publications/bush-telegraph/2022](http://www.presbyterian.org.nz/publications/bush-telegraph/2022)

### **Coming Up**

**PCFM Zoom Connect:**

TONIGHT 7.30pm

**Hakatere Parish Celebration Service:**

11 December, St James Ashburton

**Carols on the Lawn:**

12 December, Hoon Hay Presbyterian

### **From the last Newsletter**

**Mini Market Day—Rakaia**

**Concert—Cashmere Presbyterian**

**When I'm Awake:**

**Martin Stewart's Book Launch**

**Christmas Craft Market—**

**Whakatū Presbyterian**

**Info from PCANZ Finance Department**

**With One Voice hymn books**

**The Manse Opening—Hanmer**

**University of Otago Theology programme**



**Presbyterian Children & Families Ministry**

## **ZOOM CONNECT**

**For Children & Families Ministry  
workers across Aotearoa.**

**THURSDAY, 1st December, 7:30-9:00pm**

**Join us for a time of sharing, networking and praying together,  
as we celebrate finishing a year of Children & Families Ministry!**

### **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/](http://alpinepresbytery.org/resources/)

### **Online Worship Options**

Visit the "Resources" page of our website to view the links from those of our churches offering this.

### **Alpine Presbytery**

**Culture & Strategic Framework**

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

## News from Partner & Other Organisations



### Full Time Minister—Bethlehem Community Church Tauranga

#### Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand

Bethlehem Community Church seeks a full-time minister to nurture and lead an all-aged congregation with the intention of fulfilling the BCC vision "To know Jesus and to make Him known".

Essential to the position is a strong Biblical theology, a dependency on the Holy Spirit, an evangelical vision and a commitment to team leadership.

If you feel any sense of God calling you to this ministry opportunity, please be encouraged to take a 'next step'. For further details of the position, access the Application Pack at: [drive.google.com/drive/folders/19TWnb5MZMusUEEXYfX87OfATg4fvmoVV](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/19TWnb5MZMusUEEXYfX87OfATg4fvmoVV) or contact Eoin Crosbie, Convenor, Ministry Settlement Board: [ecrosbie55@gmail.com](mailto:ecrosbie55@gmail.com); phone 021741607.

Expressions of interest must be received by the end of January, 2023.

### COME OVER TO NEW PLYMOUTH



#### Brooklands' Cooperating Church seeks a Church minister and Mission worker

Brooklands' Church, with its strong evangelical and charismatic heritage, is nestled in the suburbs of beautiful New Plymouth, surrounded by sand, surf, snow and sunshine.

We seek one full-time ordained minister, or two half-time positions of an ordained minister and a mission worker into our wider community, reaching out to children, young people and families and building on our community ministries. These leader(s) will:

- \* have a strong personal faith in Jesus Christ
- \* love people, be good listeners and team players
- \* have proven leadership skills and self-awareness
- \* be Bible-based teachers, able to apply God's Word
- \* encourage the ministry and gifts of the Holy Spirit
- \* have a passion for the Gospel, be outward focussed, and express love in action
- \* be keen to develop innovative expressions of church

**If you sense that God might be calling you** to either or both of these roles please contact: MSB Convenor, Rev Steve Jourdain, 027 2925 421 or [Jourdain@xtra.co.nz](mailto:Jourdain@xtra.co.nz)

**CAROLS**  
@  
**Riccarton Bush**  
**Sunday 11**  
**December**  
**2022**  
**6.30pm**  
Donations being collected for the City Mission  
hosted by  
Riccarton-Spreydon  
Anglican Parish  
St Martin's & St James  
music: Addington Brass

**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](mailto:gail@alpinepresbytery.org)

**Presbytery Directory:** All Parish Offices have been given a log-on to Infoodle, so please contact them initially if you need any contact details.

Due to our obligations under the Privacy Act, logon access is not openly available; anyone wanting this should send a request to Gail at [gail@alpinepresbytery.org](mailto:gail@alpinepresbytery.org), advising of their position in their Parish or the Presbytery.