

Alpine Presbytery

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Newsletter 13th November 2024

*Cut off for items for the next Newsletter is **Wednesday 20th November***

Call to Luke Blackbeard

On 12 November, Presbytery Council asked me to process a call to Luke Blackbeard to be the next Minister at The Village Church, Christchurch.

The call was approved and Luke accepted it. Luke, Teresa and their family will move to Christchurch over the summer.

It is envisaged that his Ordination and Induction service will be held in late January (this will be confirmed shortly).

Luke has been training as a National Ordained Minister as an intern at Timaru Presbyterian Parish.

He will be Licensed at St Stephen's Timaru on **Sunday 8th December** at a service starting at 1.30pm and we encourage anyone who can make it to come along to that service.

Martin Stewart

Vacancy: Minister—Akaroa

Full time Minister for the Community Church of Akaroa Banks Peninsula – Is this you?

Akaroa is seeking a visionary Minister to serve and lead its parish, and to help us in making Jesus Christ known on beautiful Banks Peninsula and beyond. The newly formed Community Church of Akaroa Banks Peninsula is a joint venture between the former Presbyterian and Anglican congregations of Akaroa and Banks Peninsula.

We are a motivated Parish, on a journey which we believe God has called us to. We are seeking a leader who can offer encouragement, energy and enthusiasm to help us as we attend to the Holy Spirit's leading. We are looking for a leader with a passion for people, a heart for Jesus, and the ability to lead new initiatives. He or she will need to be comfortable in rural and small-town ministry, open to contemporary and traditional styles of worship, confident to drive over Peninsula roads for ministry in the surrounding Bays, and active in building networks in the wider community.

Garage Sale plus Local Arts and Crafts

Baking
Wood Carving
Bits'nBobs
Omarua Stone
Secondhand clothes, shoes, toys etc
Pounamu pendants
Artwork & Crafts
Christmas Treats

Saturday 30th Nov 10am
304 Breezes Road (Rain or Shine)
Iona Presbytery Church.



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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 sent to Gail Weaver

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 Weaver, Office Support, advising of their position in their Parish or the Presbytery.

We are open to expressions of interest from Anglican and Presbyterian ministers or ordained ministry leaders of other denominations who would be comfortable with being part of our Community Church. The Parish has a committed and experienced Governance team and will initially be under Presbyterian oversight.

Highlights of the area include a vibrant community that is great for families, with well set up local schools and health facilities, a beautiful natural environment, harbour, heritage and recreational opportunities.

Could God be calling you to join us? Or, do you know of a colleague who might appreciate hearing about this?

Please email Martin Stewart martin@alpinepresbytery.org for a copy of our Parish Profile. Expressions of interest are invited and can be made, in confidence, prior to **10 December 2024**.

From the last Newsletter

- **Light Party at Hoon Hay**
- **Bush Telegraph**
- **Youth Pastor Vacancy, Knox Church Lower Hutt**
- **Sister Eveleen Retreat House**

Coming Up

Licensing of Luke Blackbeard: 8 December