



Alpine Presbytery

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Presbytery Gathering

For those unable to make it to the Gathering this weekend, we have set up video streaming of some of the sessions. Follow these links to watch along.

- Gathering Opening, Friday - 3.30pm <https://youtu.be/UBqSnruclRY>
- Saturday Service - 9am <https://youtu.be/crHVDjO426g>
- Donald Scott, Saturday Morning - 11am <https://youtu.be/jxFdddspTag>

Parish Annual Reports & Statistics

As in previous years, we ask all parishes to please send us a copy of their Annual Report. Our preference is to receive them by email to gail@alpinepresbytery.org, but if that is not possible please send them by post to PO Box 42120, Tower Junction Post Shop, Christchurch 8149.

Once completed, we would also appreciate receiving a copy of the Statistics Forms which are sent to Wellington—again, email them to Gail.

PLANTS 4 U @ RAKAIA

Saturday 3 October 9am—1pm, at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Rakaia (Main Road, by the 2 big trees)

Lots of Plants for Sale, featuring:

- Natives shrubs, bulbs, perennials, succulents, plus many more varieties.
- Vegetable Seedlings for that spring garden
- Produce, preserves, baking.
- White elephant
- Special bargains throughout the morning.

All must go after 12 o'clock.

A Plains Parish Project. Contact. dottsknights@gmail.com

Holding on & Letting go: Spiritual Recovery

Sunday 11 October, 4pm-5.30pm. Koha

At The Village Community Centre, cnr Papanui Rd and Frank St, Christchurch.

(More details on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/808517639888748>)

Run by 'Called to the Corners' (workshops on Christian spirituality) we are offering a space and place to acknowledge the faith hurts we carry and an opportunity to (re)connect with God. Discussion and an opportunity for reflection and self-guided activity. Koha appreciated. Called to the Corners is the collaborative venture of Megan Blakie, Bridie Boyd and Kathryn Fee.

The Sir Lloyd Geering Scholarship in Religion

Information has been received from Dr Geoff Troughton, Programme Director, Religious Studies at Victoria University regarding a proposed new scholarship. He writes:

COMING UP

Presbytery Gathering: 11-12th September, in Christchurch

Garage Sale: 12 September at St Andrew's Blenheim

Plants 4U @ Rakaia: Saturday 3rd October

Presbytery Retreat: 11-12th October, in Hanmer Springs

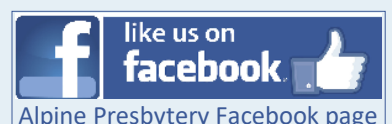
Blenheim Garden Tour: 17 & 18 October—contact St Andrew's Blenheim

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 date for next Newsletter is **Thursday 17th September**



It's 50 years since Lloyd was appointed the foundation Professor in Religious Studies here at VUW. Recognising this landmark, our new scholarship will support post-graduate students to conduct meaningful, high-quality research. We're fundraising with the aim of generating a fund that will support award of a substantial annual scholarship, in perpetuity. We hope to make a first award next year.

Victoria University are inviting people to support the Sir Lloyd Geering Scholarship in Religion. Contributions will help a new generation of students learn to tackle the compelling issues of their time with the fresh thinking and expansive imagination that Lloyd exemplified. "Through this scholarship you can make a transformational difference to students, giving them the opportunity to complete a postgraduate degree and become critical and creative thinkers in our communities."

A full information sheet can be downloaded here: [The Sir Lloyd Geering Scholarship in Religion](#)

Other Newsletters

[Church Property Trustees Newsletter September 2020](#)
[People helping People](#)—PSUSI newsletter

From the last Newsletter

- **Presbytery Gathering: The Village, Bryndwr, 11th & 12th September**
- [Bush Telegraph](#)
- **Background Information on the Stipend Increase**
- **Alpine Presbytery Council Report**

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Alpine Presbytery Strategic Framework

[Click here](#) to download the Strategic Framework

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/

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.

Dropbox link for documents mentioned in this newsletter: control & click, or copy & paste the link to your browser: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5k528skz4niqhg/AABDjLatKU2-C2reVHA6hVza?dl=0>