



# THE ROCK



Anglican Parish of  
Cabersham Saint Peter,  
Dunedin, New Zealand

March 2021—Lent

## Final thoughts, part 2

By The Vicar



I have been involved in parish ministry for 41 years now, three years as a Curate and 39 years as a Vicar in five different

parishes. Parish ministry has changed a great deal in that time.

### The Christendom Model

Formerly you cranked the parish up at the start of the year by getting its organisations going, attended to the fixed round of annual events like the parish fair, the Patronal Festival and Nine Lessons and Carols and trawled the pool of nominal Anglicans seeking to draw them from the periphery to the centre of parish life. A lot of visiting was expected as Vicars tended to be rated on how pastorally attentive they were.

### The Concentric Circles of Belonging

Parishes consisted of a series of concentric circles of belonging. There was the small group of the inner core who actually made the parish work, there were the regular Sunday by Sunday worshippers, there were the once or twice a month attendees, there were the Christmas and Easter Anglicans and there were the outer circle who rarely worshipped but who wanted to remain on the books and were perhaps prepared to help with flower arranging or the parish fair. What has happened in recent decades is that the outer circles of nominal Anglicans have almost entirely disappeared, leaving only the first three circles I mentioned. A direct effect of this on the working lives of parish priests is how few weddings, baptisms and funerals we are called upon to take now. These occasional offices

### Interregnum arrangements

The Bishop has approved the appointment of Father David Tannock, of Wellington, as our temporary priest for April and May following Father Hugh's retirement.

Father David's introduction appears on page 12.

If cover is required beyond May, Father James Harding will take over.

used to take up a lot of our time.

### The Present Situation

To a large extent the church is living off the fat it generated in the 1950s and 60s when church going was more general. Many of the people in our pews are those who have stuck with it since then and who didn't lapse, fall out with the Vicar or apostatise. We see some new people now but they are usually transfer growth from other parishes or denominations, or lapsed laity who have decided to return and a few people from right outside our usual constituency who I guess were moved by the Holy Spirit to become a Christian.

### Parish Ministry Now

Vicars now find themselves working with a smaller group of committed people. They need to work smart and be highly organised. I have always believed in working closely in

collegial relations with the Wardens, meeting with them regularly and making sure we are all on the same page before Vestry meetings. I have kept Vestry meetings crisp, always finishing within the hour.

At Saint Peter's I have endeavoured to have a programme of annual events which generate a sense of forward

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momentum to give the impression there is something going on and that there is energy and purpose in this particular community of faith. Parishes send-off signals to their surrounding communities as to whether they are a going concern or in a death spiral. That is why it is important that the grounds look well cared for, that there is a noticeboard in a prominent place which can be easily read from the road with attractive posters advertising upcoming events and that there is a programme of interesting and engaging activities which draw people in and form them as Christians in subtle ways.

## Supervision

One of the things which has been a Godsend to me in parish ministry has been supervision. This is where you go to a trained supervisor on a regular basis to talk about dilemmas and difficult situations which have cropped up. I wish this had been available to me in my first parish. It would have saved me a lot of grief. My first experience of supervision was group

supervision in which several clergy were overseen by a supervisor who was a former Presbyterian Minister. He often said something to us which I have never forgotten. "I am not here to get you off the hook of your present dilemma so that you can go away and repeat the same mistake again. Each one of you has a set of pathologies that goes with your particular personality so that although faces and names will change you will repeat these difficult situations again and again. I

am here to hold your feet to the fire so that you will do something about these pathologies and disarm them so that you won't fall into the same traps again and again." The one member of our group who never developed any insight into his actions would end up in prison and out of ministry some years later.

## The Power of Transference

One of the scariest things about pastoral ministry is the way some people respond to you positively or negatively because of individuals from their past whom you remind them of. Often these memories and responses are buried deep in the subconscious and they aren't aware of what triggers them off

about you. Becoming aware of the power of transference and being able to work with the grain of it is an essential skill. A long serving country Vicar once said to me that the quality of the pastoral work we do with people we find difficult is the true test of one as a Pastor.

The other aspect of transference is that the signals you send off as a Pastor tend to be the signals you get back. If you come across as relaxed and confident and good humoured parishioners will tend to respond to you positively. If you come across as tense, uptight and irritated then you will get parishioners on edge and disinclined to co-operate

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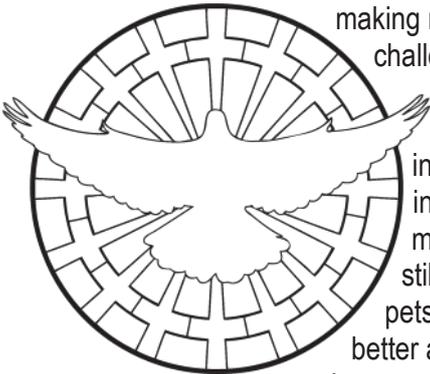
## The Ten Year Rule

I have never stayed in any parish longer than 10 years. It takes two to three years to win parishioners' trust so they will be inclined to co-operate with you in any future projects you may have in mind. Your best work in a parish tends to be done between years three and eight of your ministry as you garner the fruits of the goodwill you have banked. Years eight to 10 tend to be Indian Summer years of coasting along on the fruits of the good years.

I think clergy need to ask themselves some serious questions about why they stay longer than 10 years, because after that they tend to become assimilated to the local church culture and run out of new ideas and energy to challenge the parishioners with. If they do stay, and sometimes circumstances develop in such a way that they have no choice but to do so, then they need to reagenda themselves to find new energy and inspiration in a recurring cycle of regeneration.

## Gratitude

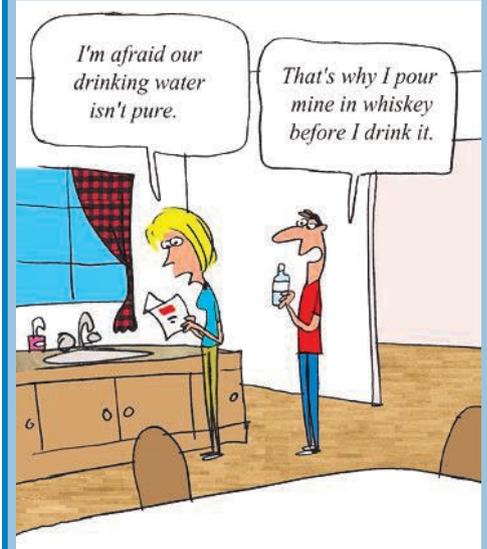
Finally I am grateful to God and to the parishioners I have served for making me grow as a person through the challenges of priesthood. I began as a shy, introverted, immature person who had to become more outgoing, more involved in people's lives, more interested in the little things of life which make up so many people's lives. I am still completely uninterested in sport, pets, gardens but I have become much better at small talk and in discerning what makes people tick. A colleague once said to me, "This is a job Hugh that finds out all your immaturities and obliges you to do something about them." She was right.



Sometimes I have found myself in challenging situations where I thought, "I am way in over my head, what the heck do I do now." But then I have thought, "This is a lot more interesting than selling cars," and so it has proved to be. I have had to grow and expand as a person to meet these challenges, to be able to deal with conflict, to learn how to deal with stress and how to take a calm and measured approach to what looks like impending trouble. Often a good night's sleep helps to get yesterday's troubles in to proportion. How often I have started walking down a parishioner's driveway praying to God "Go with me Holy Spirit into this difficult situation" and he has.

However, most of the time it has been a matter of just enjoying people in all their quirkiness and differences. And sometimes I have been humbled by their depth of Christian witness. 📧

## The Frolicsome Friar



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Three boys are bragging about their fathers. The first says "My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a poem and they give him \$25."

The second boy says "That's nothing, my Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a song and they give him \$250."

The third boy says "I've got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a sermon and it takes 8 men to collect all the money!"

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# Nutritious



## Of fasting and feasting and treats after Lent

By Alex Chisholm

**F**asting is generally understood as a method of self-denial by eating less or going without certain foods for a period of time. People in countries with customs of Carnival, which come to an abrupt end at midnight on Shrove Tuesday when Ash Wednesday begins, often make pledges to give up smoking and alcohol as well during the year's traditional period of abstinence.

Recently and quite separate from any religious connection fasting, intermittent or otherwise, is taken to mean one of the latest methods of successful dieting!

Both the Old and New Testaments mention a number of instances of fasting and early Christians seem to have observed the Jewish fast days. Some Church

fathers were violently opposed to this cultural and religious intermingling. John Chrysostom (c. 349-407) wrote against Christians sharing anything in common with Jews and admonished those who fasted on the Jewish Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur.

Within the early church however different types and lengths of fasts were observed. It has been suggested that the development of fasting within the 40 days before Easter relates to Baptisms, which were held then when fasting was part of the preparation. The earliest reference to a sustained fast of more than two or three days is in a Syrian Christian document probably from the third century AD. Today the Greek Orthodox Church has 180-200 days of fasting per year and the fasting (OF) regime could be characterised as a periodical vegetarian diet, demonstrating several common characteristics with the typical Mediterranean diet and thus positive effects on health.

A fascinating account of Food during Lent in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century recounts that Queen Elizabeth 1 implemented fast days to boost the fishing and seafood industry! The same article refers to poorer

people simply running out of food as their Winter stores were depleted and having to eat more readily available food such as fish and shellfish. By comparison the 'restricted' food intake of the wealthy sounds like a banquet. This is still reality today.

Lent may be a time of unwanted food restriction for many just as the Easter feasts result in excessive intake for others.

However, there can be positive effects from some ongoing food restriction. If you have been restricting foods during Lent—particularly sweet, salty, processed 'treat' foods and especially if they are also high in unhealthy fats—

continuing with some restrictions could be doing not only your health but also your food budget a favour.

Changing to healthy treats could also be positive. 🍷

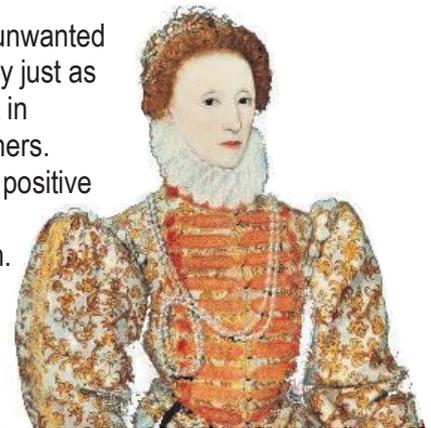


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St John Chrysostom.

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"Queen Elizabeth 1 implemented fast days ...".

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# A new take on chewing gum



## Nutritious

By Alex Chisholm

**T**hose of you who are fans of *Time Team* and similar programmes will know the extraordinary finds which archaeology can yield.

Two recent reports regarding chewing gum must rank among the most extraordinary. Admittedly this isn't just any chewing gum, but two samples one 6,000 and the other 8,000 years old as reported in <https://www.sciencemag.org/category/archaeology>.

What makes these discoveries so interesting is that DNA has been extracted from both samples. This is the first time so much information has been extracted from anything other than ancient bones or teeth. Both samples yielded DNA and the 6,000 year old sample from Syltholm yielded genetic information about a young girl.

The nearly 6,000 year old sample was discovered at what is now an archaeological site in Denmark. The wad of gum was from Birch pitch and the DNA in it so well preserved that the researchers were able to sequence a full genome (see sidebar) which offers us a glance at the girl who had chewed it and her life. An artist has depicted her as having

black hair, blue eyes and dark skin (link below) and more closely related to hunter gatherers from Western Europe than more recently arrived farmers. She had not long had a meal of duck and hazelnuts and traces were left in the gum. According to the DNA evidence life could be hard. The girl had the Epstein-Barr virus and may have suffered from Glandular Fever.

Our bodies are made up of millions of cells (100,000,000,000,000), each with their own complete set of instructions for making us, like a recipe book for the body. This set of instructions is known as our genome and is made up of DNA.

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By Deirdre Harris  
Vicar's Warden

**S**aturday, 13 March was sunny with a brilliant blue sky. At 9am volunteers were greeted with the sight of a large skip on the lawn in front of the lounge. The morning work began with the noise of sledge hammer and crow bar as the unwanted, un-saleable and un-give-away-able pianola was broken up. It was levered into the skip with loud resonating clangs.

There was an excellent turn out of parishioners, some to garden, some to label shelves and drawers in the kitchen and sort linen and some to provide and serve a sumptuous morning tea.

The hedges and gardens have been trimmed and tidied. However the leaves are still falling so this is an ongoing task.

By twelve o'clock the skip had been filled with lots of green waste and other un-wanted goods and rubbish. We all felt this had been a profitable morning showing a good cooperative spirit among our parishioners.

## CHURCHWARDEN CORNER



"It was levered into the skip with loud resonating clangs".

PHOTOS: ALEX CHISHOLM.



Some of the crew enjoying the "sumptuous morning tea".

## CHURCH SIGNS



# 2012—FAREWELL



A Walsingham quiet day—2017.

Since joining Saint Peter's in 1966 after shifting into the parish I have seen many Priests at Saint Peter's and I have very much enjoyed the Services you have taken. They have always been of a very high standard and easy to follow. We have been very privileged to have had you and you will surely be

missed. I hope you have a long and happy retirement.

Kindest Regards

Ron McLeod

I remember vividly your first Sunday 10.30 Eucharist. Just before the Service you came out of the vestry and danced/levitated your way to the altar,



With grandsons Oscar and Leo—2017.

scarcely touching the floor. The sunlight through the windows further enhanced the euphoria, adding to the welcome of our new Vicar.

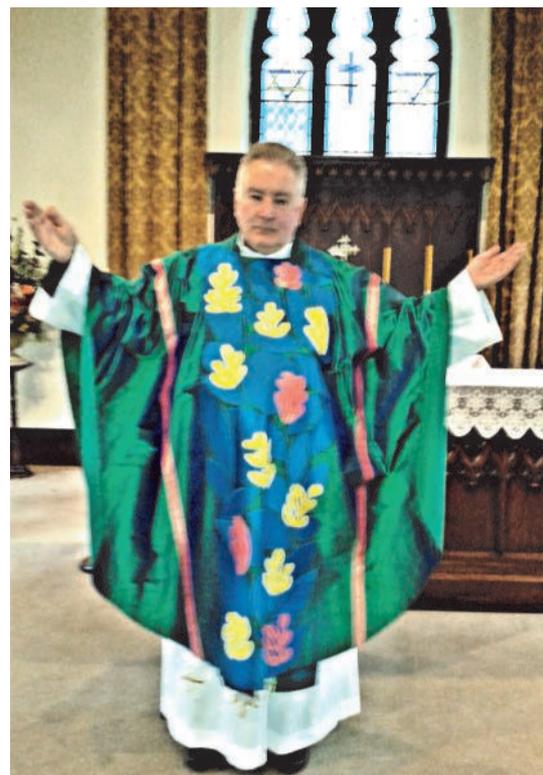
I also remember that at your Institution you spoke about you and your family at the table, about the necessity of being fully prepared to acquit yourself well in debate. This obviously set a pattern for your planning approach.

Your devotion and faithfulness to your saying of the daily Office also greatly impressed me—discipline, as well as comfort (in the old and present sense) making the backbone of your spiritual day and an example to us.

Thank you for all you have done to serve the parish of Saint Peter's, using your gifts for its care, wellbeing and future.

As you move into retirement with all its delights and challenges, may God be with you and bless you.

Rosemary Brown



One of a collection of special vestments.



A shared meal—2019.

After 9 years working with you on the vestry, the website and *The Rock*, there are many things I could mention.

The one which most strikes me though is the way you continued our liturgical traditions through the major COVID-19 lockdown in early 2020. Surely this is the essence of

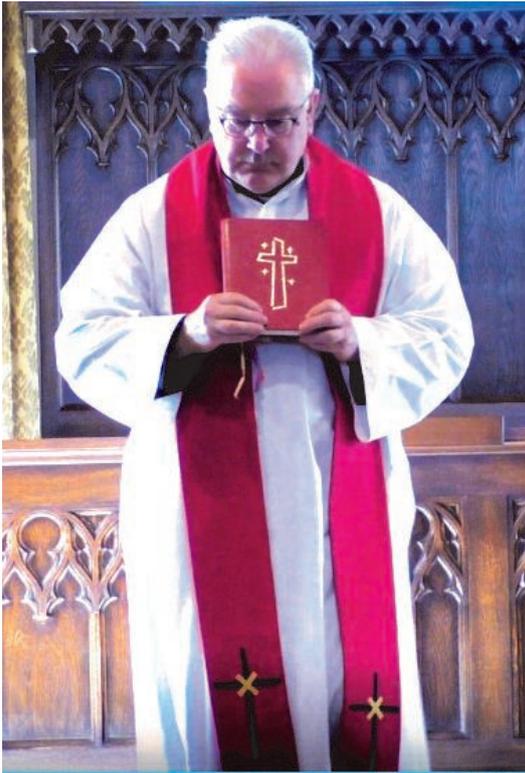
Anglican priesthood—worship to the highest possible standard whatever the circumstances.

We have been well served during your tenure and I wish you a happy and contented retirement.

David Scoular



# FATHER—2021



At the conclusion of the Good Friday Service in an empty church—2020.

There have been very many memorable occasions during Father Hugh's time here but one stands out for me personally. Having never experienced being asked to join a team that changed on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2012, when Father Hugh invited me to become a member of the 'Servers Team', initially as a Thurifer. This was indeed something special. Although I had served for Father Carl at Evensong and Benediction, the 10:30am Mass was a step up. Fortunately early on I had a good tutor in Jonathan Gillies and Father Hugh kindly and patiently coped with my not inconsiderable blunders in the early days. In the course of time additional challenges, including more involvement in special services and on occasion carrying the cross on Good Friday, added to my experiences on the team. As always Father Hugh's coaching and encouragement accompanied these new challenges and experiences. Thank you so much Hugh! It has been in equal measure a privilege and a pleasure.

*Alex Chisholm*



Chairing the AGM—2018.



A church visit—2019.

The first time we attended a service at Saint Peters we had a visitor from Kerikeri with us and were extremely impressed with Father Hugh's celebration of the Eucharist and his homily. We kept returning more and more frequently, eventually joining the Parish Roll.



The Vicar's Victorian sideboard on its way to a new home as efforts continue to move out of the vicarage to a retirement property in Christchurch—2021.

Thank you, Hugh, for always making us so welcome; for the dignity of your services; for your inspiring addresses of insight and grace and for your hard work during the COVID lockdown, when you kept all of us connected with each other.

I enjoy working with the linen and vestments. Sorry about the slippery veil but to our credit we all managed not to laugh!

With our appreciation and gratitude and with every best wish for your retirement.

*Jenny and Eric Maffey*

Father Hugh possesses an admirable skill in sticking to the point and not being side-tracked whilst conducting church business. I found him avoiding small talk and not indulging in one second longer than necessary, whilst chairing church meetings.

His theological knowledge and understanding often curtailed idyll chatter on relevant matters.

We also appreciated Father Hugh's genuine compassion and support during my wife's illness.

*Joan and Ken Ferguson*



# FAREWELL FATHER



Early life in Rangiora.



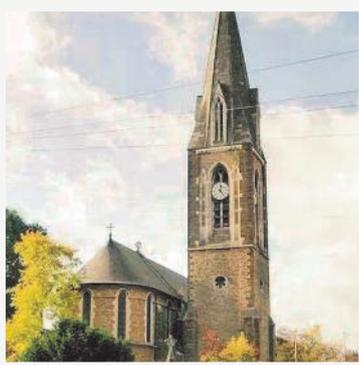
Educated at Christ's College and ...



... the University of Canterbury where he was student president at College House.



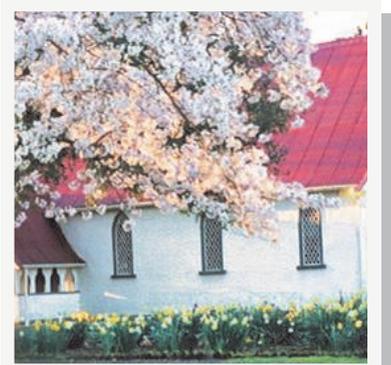
Trained for the priesthood at the College of the Resurrection, Mirfield.



Curate of St Mary's Far Cotton, Northampton.



Ordained Deacon (1979) and Priest (1980) at Peterborough Cathedral.



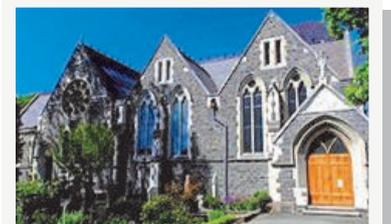
Vicar of Ellesmere, 1982-1986.



Vicar of St Mary the Virgin, Addington, 1986-1995.



Vicar of St Peter's Willis Street, 1995-2005.



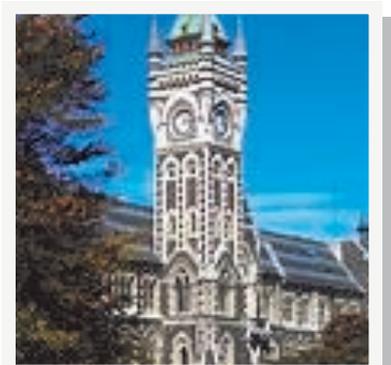
Vicar of Holy Trinity, Avonside, 2005-2012 ...



... damaged beyond repair after the second earthquake.



Vicar of Saint Peter's Caversham, 2012-2021.



During which time studies at the University of Otago earned a Master of Theology with a PhD in progress at retirement.

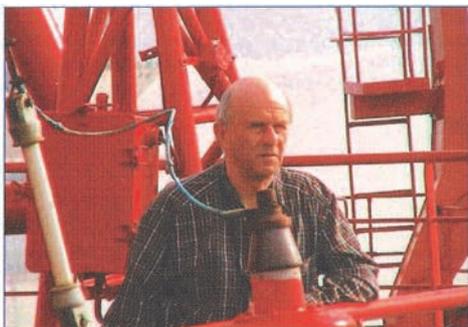
A pictorial trail of the career of Father Hugh Bowron.

# Saint Peter's People

## David Horne's story

I grew up on the Otago Peninsula during the war years and clearly remember the sirens and blackouts. I attended Broad Bay School, Macandrew Intermediate and King's High School; followed by Dunedin Teachers' College and Otago University where I majored in History. I spent my working life as a Primary School teacher. At the age of 25, I became a School Principal and taught at Five Rivers School followed by Principals' jobs at Kumara, Ohai, Bluff and Maitua. At that time Maitua had a roll of over 300 pupils together with a teaching staff of 12. I took slightly early retirement in order to look after my mother who was no longer able to look after herself.

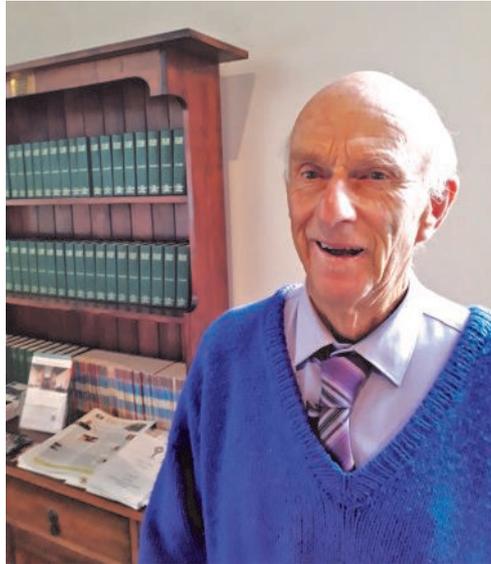
My mother was Anglican and as a child went to Saint Peter's. My father was a Presbyterian and as a result I was sent to the Macandrew Bay Presbyterian Sunday School. At that time, the Parish Minister was the Reverend Owen Sydney Robinson who was 'high



On board the Russian icebreaker *Yamal* en route to the Geographic North Pole.

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church', wore robes, lit candles and used the liturgical colours. At High School I attended Crusaders and then, at tertiary level attended Tertiary Students' Christian Fellowship which played a large part in my spiritual development. On leaving home, I chose to attend the Anglican Church which I had always wanted to



David Horne in Saint Peter's this month.

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do from early childhood. Early in my career, I taught for two years at an Anglican Boarding School in Masterton known as Hadlow Preparatory School for Boys with ages between seven and fourteen. This was a traditional school where masters wore gowns and school was held on Saturdays. (Masters were allowed to smoke their pipes on a Saturday morning.) During my younger years, I often spent some of my holidays helping out at Scripture Union Camps and CYC Camps. (Even to this day I continue to work with Scripture Union and have been local secretary for about 20 years.)

While at Holy Trinity Church, in Kumara, I became an Authorised Lay Minister and often took up to three services a day at different remote West Coast churches. As time went by I gradually grew to like the traditions of the High Anglican Church.

I began travelling overseas when I was 18 when I did a six week trip to Australia with the Dunedin Teachers' College. This whetted my appetite and I soon found myself travelling overseas at least once a year. While holidaying in the Antarctic I met another member of the group who belonged to the Travellers' Century Club, an international club open to people who had been to 100 countries or more. At that stage I had been to only 68.

However when I did reach my 100<sup>th</sup> country which was Panama, I immediately joined. From then on, I set my goal to reach 300 hundred 'countries' which was the top echelon of the Club. Currently the Club designates a total of 329 countries and territories. The Club's Headquarters is located in Los Angeles and every year I go to Los Angeles for the weekend to attend the Club's Xmas Party. I have now done a total of 79 overseas trips and now because of my age travel business class. Emirates is my favourite business class airline.

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# Rocky Music

# Rock music



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By David Hoskins, Director of Music

All and all just the ticket for a young church musician—even better that it was ‘all care—no responsibility’ as I would be handing it all back in a few months. On my first Sunday I sent the choir and clergy out to a flashy toccata in the French-style—ending with the full organ (a considerable noise, indeed). People came up to the organ loft to congratulate me and I preened myself with the praise. However, on returning to the choir vestry I was met by a senior member of the congregation, clearly not intent on congratulation.

I recall the conversation began, ‘Young man!’ and very little else as I became very aware that she did not approve of me, my playing and my choice of music. I don’t think the conversation resolved very much.

However, I had work to do over the coming months and figured I couldn’t please all of the people all of the time. The lady in question, all tweed jacket and sensible brown shoes, was also in charge of the flowers in the church. I might add, they were a thing of wonder. The following Sunday morning I went to the organ to prepare for the service only to be confronted by one of the biggest flower arrangements I have ever seen in church—positively Westminster

Abbey! I could see nothing from amongst the dense foliage, including the choir. The various flowers caused my eyes to stream and I sneezed from start to finish. I had been dealt a lesson I wasn’t going to forget. No more flash and dash. The flower arrangements shrank accordingly.

Some clergy return from those interminable ‘training days’ enthused about this chorus and that new electronic gadget. Now, I spent two very happy and productive years directing the extensive semi-professional music programme at a large Assembly of God in Melbourne. As an Anglican I had never experienced congregations of 2,000 and music requiring rock musicians of high calibre. Everyone was kind and appreciative of my efforts even though it was

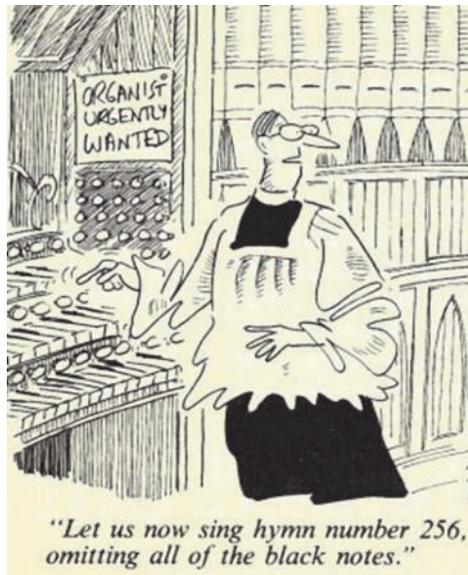
obvious this was not within my comfort zone. The senior pastor asked one day if I would like to do something a little more traditional. We talked and ended up with an aria from Handel’s ‘Messiah’. After the performance by a fine young opera student, there was silence and not a dry eye in the house. Most people there had not experienced this sort of music in a worship context before and I was grateful to the wise pastor for his word in season.

I enjoyed the good-natured musical tussles with Father Carl when he was vicar. Our Saturday morning sessions with the liturgical music I looked forward to greatly as Father Carl knew liturgical music from all sides—although on reflection I seldom, if ever, won the day. When Father Hugh became vicar, his knowledge and love of liturgy in all its richness opened up all manner of musical possibilities and it has been remarkable what has been achieved over the years. I particularly point to the wonderful Brass and Carols and Christmas with St Kilda Brass. Few parish churches could claim such a standard of music-making!

As Father Hugh draws ever closer to his retirement, this organist must now

look to a new ministry and new possibilities. A lady-organist (and I choose the term with genuine care) from whom I learned so much—she was a brilliant concert performer yet happiest when playing in a liturgical context—gave me great advice. ‘Vicars come and go: we organists go on forever!’ She retired just before her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday still doing the business brilliantly. I have a long way to go.

The relationship between the vicar and the organist is sometimes fraught, ending badly. I am sad when I hear of this sort of thing. Fortunately, I have had the most interesting musical life that I doubt would have come my way without an involvement with church music of all shapes and sizes and meeting clergy of ‘sundry kinds’.



## Regular Services

(for variations consult *The Pebble* or our website)  
All services are held in Saint Peter's unless noted otherwise

### SUNDAY:

8am: Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer  
10.30am: Solemn Sung Eucharist  
5pm: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month: Evensong and Benediction

### THURSDAY:

10am: Eucharist

### FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:

11am: Eucharist in the lounge of Frances Hodgkins Retirement Village, Fenton Crescent

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# Saint Peter's People

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Some of the highlights of my travels over the years include a three week holiday in North Korea, climbing the 5895m Mount



Mount Kilimanjaro—one of the highlights.

Kilimanjaro, visiting the Geographic North Pole and joining 29 others in swimming (in togs) at the Pole with a water temperature of -1.4 degrees Celsius. In 2019 I did four overseas trips thus reaching a total 302 countries. I was thus able to go over to Los Angeles to get my 300+ countries certificate. COVID-19 Lockdown came soon after. I was so lucky. 🇺🇸



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## For your diary

**Fridays in Lent, beginning 19 February** : Lenten Extra A celebration of the Eucharist in the lounge at 5.30pm followed by a shared fish and chip supper. Contributions of salads are warmly welcomed

**Thursday, 25 March** : Curry evening at Sara Spice in the Musselburgh shopping centre. Note change of venue

**Holy Week : 29 March—4 April** : See Services on back page.

**Saturday, 3 April** : Brass cleaning in the lounge at 10.30am

**Sunday, 25 April** : Deadline for copy for the April edition of **The Rock**

# Introduction to our temporary priest

By Father David Tannock

Although I was born and grew up mostly in Palmerston North my parents both came from Dunedin, where our son and two granddaughters currently live. My degree is from Massey University and I spent three years at Saint John's College before my curacy in Masterton. Following that I was Vicar of Bulls-Rongotea, then Tinui (in the Wairarapa). In 1983 we came to Wellington where I was Vicar of Seatoun-Strathmore (and part-time Wellington Representative for Christian World Service for some of that time) then of Saint Peter's in central Wellington, after which I was Chaplain at Wellington Hospital for 18 years. During the time at the Hospital I was associated with Saint Barnabas', Roseneath and have continued actively in that parish



Father David Tannock.

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during retirement.

I am married to Alison and we have three children—our oldest daughter in Wellington, our son in Dunedin and our youngest daughter, Kate, in Carterton (some of you might remember her from her time at Saint Peter's while completing her fine arts degree in Dunedin).

My interests include walking, swimming, cycling, reading and gardening. Alison is still teaching part-time so will remain in Wellington, but come down during the school holidays. I am looking forward to getting to know you all and am enjoying the irony that Fr Hugh followed me at Saint Peter's in Wellington and now I am following him at another Saint Peter's.✉

## Rocky Music

The relationship between church musicians and the clergy has often been a fraught one. Getting the formula right where music in church is concerned is no easy matter but here at Saint Peter's, over 20 years I have found the musical life of the parish has grown naturally out of genuine desire to 'get it right'.

Of course, that has not always been the case where I am

**Rock** music



By David Hoskins, Director of Music

concerned! I well remember looking after the music at a prominent Melbourne church while the organist recovered from illness. Working with the exceptionally good choir was a joy and the pipe organ was large and resourceful.

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## Holy Week Services

### Tuesday and Wednesday

The Eucharist will be celebrated at 10am

### Maundy Thursday

10am Eucharist in the parish lounge

11am Eucharist at Frances Hodgkins

7pm Commemoration of the Institution of the Lord's Supper, Stripping of the Altar and Vigil

### Good Friday

12noon, Celebration of the Lord's Passion and veneration of the Cross

### Holy Saturday

6pm Eucharist at St Barnabas

8pm Easter Vigil, Service of Light, Mass of the Resurrection

### Easter Day

8am Holy Communion (1662)

10.30am Solemn Sung Eucharist and Procession

5pm Evensong and Benediction