

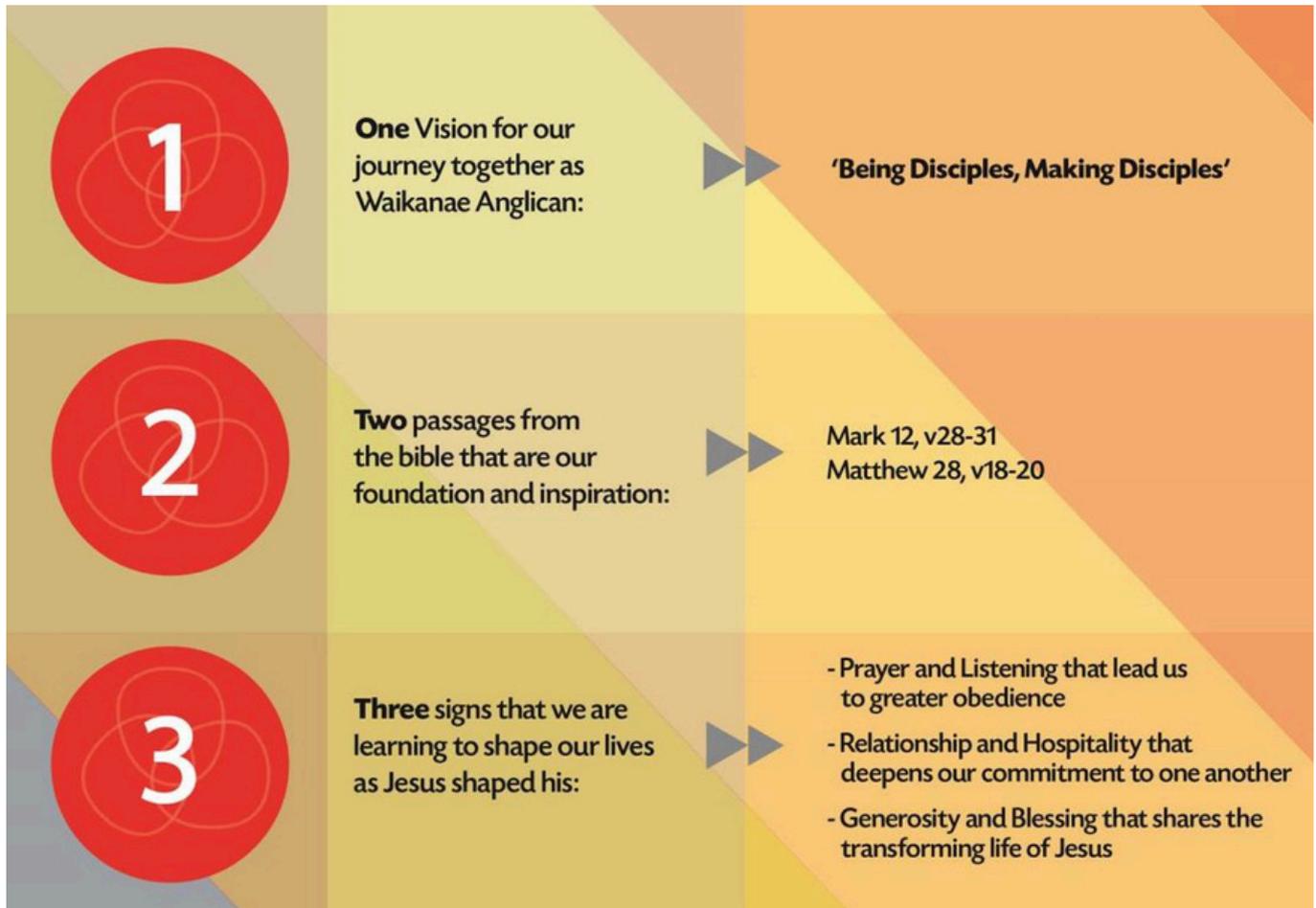
2025 PARISH PROFILE

PARISH OF WAIKANAĒ



The Anglican Parish of Waikanae has vibrant, faithful congregations in each of our three churches, all with their own strong and unique culture: St Andrew's in Reikorangi, St Luke's in central Waikanae and St Michael's at Waikanae Beach.

Waikanae is on the Kāpiti Coast, an hour north of Wellington. It has excellent rail and road access to the city and is close to the Tararua mountain range for tramping and a beautiful safe river and beach for swimming. There are excellent schooling choices and a thriving local community with a good mix of young and old.



To find out more about our vision, see www.anglican.co.nz/what-we-are-about/

OUR FUTURE PLAN



We hope our parish grows further into being a welcoming and nurturing whānau in our community.

We would be encouraged to see:

- Continued enquiry-based learnings offered through our Sunday messages, Lenten studies and winter warmers.
- Increased community, social and inter-generational opportunities.
- Greater focus on families and youth.
- More deliberate and organised pastoral care.
- The Vicar presiding across the three churches.



ST MICHAEL'S, WAIKANAЕ BEACH

A traditional communion service at 9:30am Sunday using the New Zealand Prayer Book with organ and hymns. This congregation has 40-60 people attending each Sunday.

Evensong is monthly at 7:00pm led by the parish choir. The choir also leads the special Via Crucis and Nine Lessons and Carols special services.



ST LUKE'S, WAIKANAЕ TOWN CENTRE

A contemporary style 10:00am Sunday service with 80-120 people attending each Sunday. This less formal style of worship includes a music team and offers Godly Play for children.

There is also a Thursday 10:30am communion service with a faithful group of 10-20 who attend this shortened service, with morning tea and a time of fellowship.



ST ANDREW'S, REIKORANGI

A relaxed liturgical service at 9:15am, in an attractive rural setting, with about 25-30 attending on Sundays.

REST HOMES AND RETIREMENT VILLAGES

We provide ministry to the local rest homes and retirement villages in collaboration with other Waikanae churches.



THE VICAR

This is a full-time position.
Is this you?



ASSOCIATE PRIEST

Currently 24 hours paid per week. Tim takes care of our St Michael's congregation and oversees the Rest Home ministry.



PARISH ADMIN AND VICAR'S PA

16 hours paid per week. Colleen greets everyone with a smile when they visit the office and takes good care of our vicar.



PARISH MANAGER

12 hours paid per week. Teri helps keep the parish running smoothly.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY FACILITATORS

Our Godly Play leader, Hannah, takes this role on a voluntary basis. She is assisted by other enthusiastic adults to offer this weekly children's programme during the school term.

Hazel is our youth leader, who is paid 10 hours per week. Together with intern, Jakob, she ensures our rangatahi are well-cared for.

RETIRED CLERGY

We are very blessed to have a large number of retired clergy in our parish who volunteer their time in our regular worship services and in our rest home ministry.

LAY LEADERS

We have lay leaders throughout the parish who are involved in service leadership, preaching, worship music and pastoral care.



CONNECT KIDS

At our 10am St Luke's service we offer Godly Play for our primary and intermediate age tamariki during term time. Attendance ranges from between 10-20 tamariki.

FLIPSIDE

Every Friday afternoon during the school term our intermediate-aged children meet for a fun-filled time at St Luke's (3:30 - 5:00pm). Around 7-12 children attend this outreach.

REVELATION YOUTH

Around 10-15 rangatahi meet on Thursday evenings during term time (6:30-8:30pm) at St Luke's. Hazel and Jakob coordinate this ministry, supported by parents and church staff. The teens are invited to an optional dinner from 6pm. The group has a low key, relaxed atmosphere. Yearly events include the AYM Games, Easter Camp, The Abbey, Rise-Up, and Intermediate Camp.

OUTREACH



OVERSEAS MISSION

We support a number of overseas mission partners. We have sent teams on short-term mission trips to Fiji, most recently in September 2025, where members of our parish are currently serving.

FRIDAY FOODSHARE

Every Friday we stock and open a simple free shop at St Luke's Church. We welcome everyone and share what we have with whomever comes.

KĀPITI COMMUNITY KITCHEN

On the first and third Saturdays of the month (Feb - Dec) we provide a free 3 course meal at the Coast Community Church in Paraparaumu to anyone who wants to join us. We are thankful to the CCC for generously providing their facilities for us to run this ministry.

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

We regularly provide necessary household items for refugee families newly arrived to Aotearoa.

ALPHA COURSE

We ran a very successful Alpha Course in 2024 and will look to run another in 2026. Members of our parish also assist with the Alpha course run by Our Lady of Kapiti Catholic church in Paraparaumu.



We enjoy a range of activities throughout the year to experience new things and spend time with each other, and with God:

- Weekly prayer meetings
- Women's and Men's fellowship monthly meetings
- Parish fair/market
- Quiz night
- Lenten studies
- Winter warmer studies
- Home groups
- Animal service
- School Christmas service
- Carol services
- Garden trail
- Fundraising concerts

PARISH ADMINISTRATION



PROPERTY

The Parish worships in three churches, all of which are seismically sound.

- [St Michael's and All Angels](#)
- [St Luke's](#)
- [St Andrew's](#)

HOUSING FOR VICAR

We sold our vicarage a number of years ago. Our previous vicars have chosen to own their own homes, supported with a housing allowance from the Parish. We will discuss and agree a suitable housing solution with the preferred candidate.

FINANCE

We are financially sound. Most years we budget for a deficit but manage to turn that into a small surplus. We have a very generous Parish who give to the work of our church locally and globally.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Available on request.

PARISH NUMBERS

2023 - Annual attendance total for Sunday and Thursday services - 9,996.

2024 - Annual attendance total for Sunday and Thursday services - 10,358.

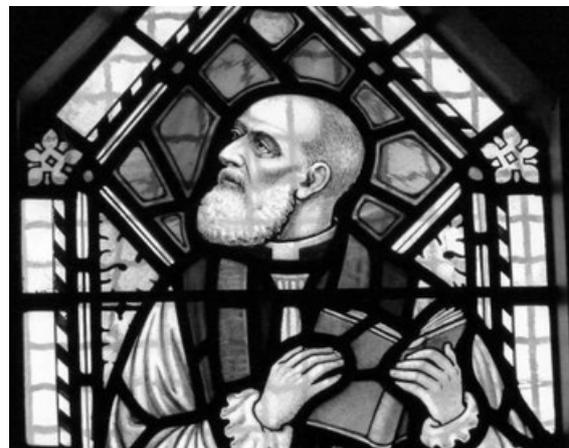


At Waikanae Anglican, we have a rich heritage and spiritual DNA that we draw upon. We recognise that our history shapes who we are, and that we are part of a big eternal story, as well as a local one.

Our Parish's mission station origin dates back to November 1839. Octavius Hadfield was commissioned by the Church Missionary Society base in the Bay of Islands in response to a request for a missionary by the Tangata Whenua. He did not come to the Kāpiti Coast to start a mission but to encourage the existing work of God amongst Māori living in Waikanae and Ōtaki.

In the 1830s a young Māori girl called Tārore became a believer and was given a small copy of St Luke's gospel as a gift. Tārore treasured this gift and kept it in a tiny bag around her neck. Tragically she was murdered on 19th of October 1836 by a man called Uita from a tribe who hated Tārore's people. Uita took the little copy of Luke's gospel still wrapped in its little bag back to Rotorua. He could not read so asked a slave to teach him. As he learned to read the gospel of St Luke he was soundly converted and went to Tārore's father to ask forgiveness. This led to a lasting peace between the two warring tribes.

This gospel of St Luke still had not finished its purpose, because the slave who had taught Uita to read shared with two Māori chiefs, who lived in Waikanae, about Christianity and sent for the copy of St Luke's gospel from Uita. As they read the story of Jesus Christ in their own language they too were converted and walked all the way to the Bay of Islands, to ask for a missionary. Soon there were over 500 people daily at morning and evening prayer. When local Māori and pakeha people built our church there was no debate about naming the church after St Luke, whose gospel had changed so many lives. St Luke's was shifted to its present site in 1906.



Read more about our history here: <http://www.anglican.co.nz/about/our-story/>



