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THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF TARADALE



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CHURCH PROFILE 2026

All Saints Church, Taradale, was consecrated by the Bishop of Waiapu – Rt Rev William Williams on June 30th 1875, with additional plants into Puketapu and Meeanee in the proceeding decades. This heart for the expansion of the church's reach and the drawing in of a wider community has been in the DNA of our church since its beginning. The story of those 150 years has grown a historically grounded church with an openness to experimentation with worship styles. We hold onto the past while creating the future.

The Diocese of Waiapu is in the North Island of Aotearoa / New Zealand and is named after the river which runs from Raukumara Range down through the Waiapu Valley to the sea near East Cape. The Waiapu River was a rich source of life in this region of Tairāwhiti and it was in this valley that the Gospel was introduced.

The Diocese stretches from the Parish of Omokoroa, just north of Tauranga, across the Bay of Plenty to East Cape. From Omokoroa it runs south through Tauranga, Rotorua, Taupo to Turangi and across the Ruahine Ranges to Woodville and then out to the sea. It encompasses the East Coast region, down through Gisborne, Napier and Hastings to the land southwest of Dannevirke.

The Parish of Taradale, while centered at All Saints' Church in Taradale, stretches west to the ranges, and south to the Ngaruroro River.

Taradale Anglican is a community of churches and congregations that seek to connect with their city, equip people to lead lives of faith and power and serve others through acts of love and an overflowing of generosity. We gather at a number of locations for both regular and special services.

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All Saints' Church gathers on Sundays at 8am for our traditional service and 10am for a Family Service with Children's Ministry. We also meet throughout the week from 9:15am for Morning Prayer and on Wednesdays at 11am for a spoken service of Holy Communion.

St Michael's Church in Puketapu meets at 9:30am on the third Sunday of the month as well as Easter Sunday and Christmas Day.

We also hold services at the Memorial Chapel of St George in Crownthorpe on ANZAC Day and Christmas Eve.

We are a mixed tradition, holding to those things from ancient times that serve the church and God, while constantly reforming to ensure we are able to meet God in what God is doing right now, today.



ST GEORGE'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL,
CROWNTHORPE

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
PUKETAPU



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PARISH FACILITIES

As a church, we are committed to offering spaces for the wider community to use. We want to be a place of connection, community and collaboration.

All Saints Church Complex



Octagon -75+ seated



All Saints Church - capacity 200



Enid Lemmon Lounge - 50 seated

Plus

Hall - 140 capacity

Youth room and Garage - currently used by Napier Toy Library

St Peter's Hall - currently leased to Michelle Fay photographer



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Vicarage

Located adjacent to the Church is the vicarage. This had been renovated in the last 2 years. It has a kitchen, dining room and lounge with a log fire; 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, a study, 2 heat pumps, HRV system, floor and ceiling insulation, and a private, secure back yard with a separate single garage, with electric up and over door.

Puketapu Sub Parish Churches

St Michael's Church, Puketapu is located 6.5km west of Taradale in the small rural community of Puketapu. The Church was built in 1910, and a Community Communion Service is held on the third Sunday of each month (February to November) at 9.30am. Members of the community gather together in a spirit of fellowship and worship. It has a capacity of approximately 50.

St Michael's has a separate small hall with a capacity of 50, ideal for smaller gatherings and meetings and is available to be used by the wider community.

St George's Memorial Chapel, Crownthorpe, stands in rural isolation on the little-travelled Matapiro Road, inland from Hastings. It is one of the very few New Zealand churches originally built as a family memorial.

THE PARISH VISION

SPEAK HOPE, BE LIGHT, KNOW GRACE

At heart, the church is a community of believers that seek to live, serve and minister together. Alongside this essential reality, we are driven by a desire to help people speak hope into a world that seems hopeless, to be light in a world where darkness sometimes seems to be ascendent, and where a knowledge of the grace of God helps them to achieve this.

As an institution, we are also driven by the mission to play our part in building God's kingdom in which all people flourish through the proclamation of the gospel, evangelisation of our region, revitalisation of the local church and the equipping of the saints. What this looks like in practice is a focus on being a centre of education for ministry, the development of future leaders, the elevation of community so that we feel like family, the calling and equipping of planters to create future churches, an emphasis on the encounter of people with God and ensuring our facilities are fit for purpose and mission.

Throughout the history, expression, practice and different eras of the life of Taradale Anglican Church one factor has always been at the centre of it. A desire to put love into action for our wider community. Across all of our diversity, expressions and life together, this desire to serve the city and region through missional action is our very heartbeat. While worship is central to who we are, we also worship God through the serving of others, our neighbours and the city.

Service is a deep value of the Christian community and a core way in which we can give expression to our love of God and of neighbour. In our church community there are numerous ways in which to serve.

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THE PARISH VISION

Service Areas of:

Worship - Reading, Communion Assistant, Welcoming, Sacristy, Host/Liturgist, Preaching, Musician

Service - Lawnmowing, Cleaning, Maintenance, Event Setup, Working bees

Administration - Office Assistant, Event Management

Hospitality - Catering, Morning tea, Kitchen hands, Dishwashers

Audio Visual - Sound tech, computer, Lighting design, Graphic design, IT support

Next generation - Sunday School support, Youth Leader, Youth mentor, Driver.

CURRENT STAFF

Revd. Christine Scott, Interregnum Priest-in-Charge

Revd. Derry Boylan, Priest Assistant (.5 stipend)

Revd. Peter Williamson, Priest Assistant (non-stipendiary)

Julie Joule, Lay Pastor and Youth Leader

Sally Harris, Facilities and Administration Manager

Joss Morrin, Bishop's Warden

Ruth Spicer, People's Warden.

CURRENT MINISTRIES

Children's Ministry

Every Sunday morning at 10am, children are invited to join their leader for Children's Ministry or play in the Children's Room at the back of the Church.

Connect After School

This is a weekly programme of arts, crafts, games, sports, activities and support for homework and reading run by our community. Held every Tuesday of Term Time, children are welcomed and engaged in stimulating activity and given afternoon tea in a warm and caring environment. The programme runs from 3pm to 5:15pm and costs \$2 per session per child.

Junior Youth Group

Gathering fortnightly on Tuesdays from 5 pm to 7 pm, this group begins with an experience of cooking dinner together before sharing in a meal. After this, they have some fun and games focussed around a teaching or idea before chatting about it together. This may be followed with some extra fun and games or quiet time chatting or playing board games. Gatherings are \$5 per family

Music

Music is an essential part of a worship service and we have a committed music ministry team supporting this. Music that honors God will cause our hearts to sing. At Taradale Anglican, we offer the traditional at the 8am Sunday service singing hymns and songs often to the accompaniment of the organ, and at the 10am Sunday service we have contemporary worship with music played by our worship group on modern instruments.

CURRENT MINISTRIES

Men's Breakfast

This group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month and starts at 8am generally lasting around 2 hours. It is an opportunity to enjoy Christian fellowship and usually follows the following format:- a breakfast, a short devotion, a speaker and discussion.

Missionary Services League

The MSL group has been in existence at All Saints Church since 1893!

Men's Playgroup

A group of "older guys" gather at the Church each Thursday morning and some do minor maintenance work on the buildings and grounds. They enjoy a social time over morning tea. This group is always looking for new members to join their team.

Study Groups (Home Groups)

All Saints is committed to small study ministry. They exist to encourage bible learning, growth in faith, mutual care and prayer support and of course friendship and fun. Some groups meet weekly, some meet fortnightly, some by day and some in the evening.

Ladies Fellowship

This group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2pm. Caters for older women who prefer to meet during the day rather than in the evening. Guest speakers, fellowship and interesting outings are what you expect to find. All are welcome.



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PASTORAL CARE

We are committed to being part of the community and to demonstrate our faith by our willingness to offer pastoral assistance to those in need. We seek to be sensitive to the needs of the community and to respond appropriately where possible.

Pastoral Care Visting

Pastoral Care is offered by a team of lay and ordained ministers and is co-ordinated by one of the licensed priests in the parish.

Retirement Villages, Rest Home Services and Home Communion

There are several retirement villages and rest homes in the parish. Monthly services are offered in some of the rest homes, and one of the parish clergy attends regular gatherings for fellowship and socialisation in some of the retirement villages. Home Communion is offered by the ministry team to those who are unable to attend regular services, as needed.



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OUTREACH

Over the past two years we have been privileged to partner with ACW to foster a wider community engagement and the development of a deeper community footprint of the parish in the area – programmes such as the Senior Chef programme, Duffy Books in Homes, community lunches, Men's Breakfast, Heretaunga Seniors Programme; and children and youth initiatives.

Community Lunch

A need in our community was identified to extend hospitality for those living alone, socially isolated, in need of company and in need of a nutritious meal. On the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 11.45am a sumptuous and nutritious two-course hot meal (main and dessert), cooked in our commercial kitchen by willing volunteers is served in our community hall.

Chat 'n' Craft

Chat 'n' Craft meet weekly on Wednesday from 9.30am to 11.30am during term time. It is an opportunity to socialise, enjoy the company of other crafty people and enjoy refreshments.

Scrabble Group

This group meets on Monday afternoons from 2pm to 5pm in the Enid Lemmon Lounge for friendly games and socialising.

Trailblazers

Walking group who meet in the Church foyer every Thursday at 9am and walk a different route for about an hour, followed by a cup of coffee.

Catalyst Education

For those wanting to expand their knowledge and skills we offer courses and workshops that are fun, informative and community based.

OUTREACH CONT'D

Alpha

We run one, sometimes two in-person Alpha courses each year. They are free and open to anyone. We have had a great response, often attracting people who have previously had little or no contact with the church. It is always a joy to share this journey with people as they walk a while along the path with Jesus. Some reach the point of wanting to make a commitment to Christ, and we have had the joy of baptising and even confirming some who have come along the Alpha pathway with us

Film Night

Movie Night first Friday of the month – come and watch the film of choice. Bring snacks, sit back and enjoy!

FUNDRAISING

Monthly Sales Table – this is held monthly and sells homemade jams, baking, preserves, plants and handcrafts.

Trivia Evening – one parishioner very capably organises and, as Quiz Master, regularly runs a very profitable and enjoyable trivia evening. Often augmented by an auction and raffle.

Parish Dinners – these are generally an annual affair and ably catered for by the Parish catering team.

Food Fair – these are held during the warmer months and enable people travelling home from work to pop in and purchase takeaway meals – numerous options available, along with takeaway desserts and ice-creams.

The Big Sale – this annual sale of anything and everything is one not to be missed by the local bargain hunters. Each year it gathers momentum, items come from wide and far. A fun and exhausting day for our volunteers!

GROUPS THAT USE OUR FACILITIES

The use of our facilities has been increased and diversified to bring in additional funding sources – almost trebling what it was in 2020.

Among the regular groups using our facilities are:

- Toy Library
- Rochelle Spence Dance Studio
- Brownies – Girl Guiding NZ
- Pippins – Girl Guiding NZ
- Dance Fitness with Felicity Marden
- Anna Young Yoga
- Somatic Dance
- Active4Life – Sports HB
- Grandparents raising Grandchildren
- Pop-Ins Children photography
- Capture Us Michelle Fey Photography
- Samoan Methodists
- Age Concern

Plus many more local groups and individuals

FINANCES

Income and Expenditure Budget

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	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	31/12/2024	31/12/2025	31/12/2026
Income	331,190	365,925	388,433	383,293	376,500
Less Expenditure	451,997	371,915	367,023	416,708	355,251
	(120,807)	(3381)	21,410	(33,415)	21,249

Over the past 5 years the deferred maintenance of the buildings was a major undertaking to ensure the future of All Saints church and facilities were secure for at least another generation. This involved repainting, both externally and internally, re-roofing and the interior refurbishment of All Saints church along with the upgrading of the lighting system and sound system; and the exterior painting of the hall. The hall's kitchen was remodeled, and solar panels installed on the roof of the hall. The vicarage too had a major refurbishment and the asbestos fence around the vicarage section was removed and replaced.

Cyclone Gabrielle was another challenge we faced in 2023. The water system for Puketapu Church was destroyed, and a replacement bore, tanks and water treated scheme had to be installed.

As a church, donations and grants were received (we were the fundholder) for funds that then had to be distributed to those directly affected by the flooding in the Puketapu and Pakowhai areas especially. As well, Hukarere School moved onto our church site after the Esk River had flooded them out.

150 YEARS

What makes this year so remarkable is that it marks 150 years since the consecration of the church of All Saints. That is 150 years of worship, service, baptisms, confirmations, prayer, farewells, marriages and all of the infinitely bigger and smaller parts of what makes All Saints such a special community.

As part of our 150th year we held a Civic Celebration on 29 June 2025 with local dignitaries, hosted a Victorain themed dinner, placed a Time Capsule in our newly designed Quiet Garden and we have two more equally exciting events planned. Join us and be part of the All Saints journey.



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Parish of Taradale Profile Report from Parish Consult – 3 May 2026

Introduction: Context and Methodology

The Parish of Taradale met on Sunday 3 May, following a combined Parish Eucharist at 9:00 am, to consider five strategic questions in a world-café format as part of the preparation for the search for a new Vicar. Seventy parishioners took part in the consultation, which was led by +Andrew and his leadership team. This report summarises that consultation.

The Anglican Parish of Taradale

The Anglican Parish of Taradale is a vibrant, community-facing, and relational parish with a strong sense of welcome, hospitality, and faithful service. The consultation reveals a parish that values both spiritual depth and practical community engagement, balancing tradition and stability with openness to growth and new mission opportunities. There is a strong desire to being an intergenerational church that helps people encounter God, belong in community, and live out their faith in everyday life.

1. Mission and Ministry Today

The parish currently sees itself as a welcoming, community-facing church with strong rhythms of worship, discipleship, pastoral connection, and fellowship. Parishioners consistently described the parish as friendly, safe, accepting, and grounded in faith, with many valuing the stability and familiarity of worship alongside the breadth of activities happening throughout the week.

Several themes emerged strongly:

- A parish deeply embedded in the local community through activities, partnerships, and use of facilities.
- A strong emphasis on hospitality, belonging, and caring relationships.
- Worship that values both traditional and contemporary expressions.
- Commitment to children, youth, and families as central to the future of the parish.
- A desire for ministry that helps people connect faith with everyday life.
- Strong pastoral instincts and care for people experiencing challenge, grief, or isolation.

- Openness to discipleship opportunities such as Alpha, workshops, Bible studies, and courses.

The parish also values continuity and stability while remaining open to fresh ideas and new expressions of ministry.

2. What the Parish Most Values

The strongest theme throughout this section was people. Parishioners repeatedly spoke of the caring, welcoming, supportive, and inclusive atmosphere that exists within the parish community. Many described the parish as feeling like family.

Other key strengths identified included:

- Strong volunteer culture and committed lay leadership.
- Effective staff, administration, and governance.
- Strong communication.
- Intergenerational worship and fellowship.
- Excellent facilities that are well used by both parish and wider community groups.
- Strong outreach and practical community support.
- Opportunities for spiritual growth, learning, and participation.
- Resilience and strong community response during times of crisis such as Cyclone Gabrielle.

The parish values being active throughout the week, not simply on Sundays, and sees itself as a community hub serving people of all ages.

3. Areas for Growth

While appreciative of current strengths, parishioners also identified several important opportunities for development and strengthening. The clearest and most repeated theme was the need to intentionally engage younger generations.

Areas highlighted for growth included:

- More opportunities for younger adults and working families to connect outside normal daytime hours.
- Strengthening and organising pastoral care systems.
- Equipping and empowering lay people for ministry and leadership.
- Developing stronger intergenerational connections.
- Expanding social events and community-building opportunities.
- Increasing online presence, social media engagement, and livestreaming capability.

- Growing music ministry.
- Providing practical support ministries around parenting, budgeting, mental wellbeing, and community welfare.

There was also a strong desire to continue developing outward-facing ministry rather than becoming inwardly focused.

4. Future Possibilities for Mission

The consultation reflected considerable imagination and hopefulness regarding future mission opportunities. Parishioners expressed a strong desire for the church to remain visible, relevant, and engaged within the changing local community.

Key aspirations included:

- Building stronger connections with schools, young people, and families.
- Expanding support ministries for marriage, parenting, grief, loneliness, and mental wellbeing.
- Developing stronger community partnerships and emergency response capability.
- Greater engagement with newer immigrants, refugees, and vulnerable people.
- Strengthening interchurch and Tikanga partnerships.
- Expanding evening worship and midweek ministry opportunities.
- Using technology and social media more effectively.
- Continuing to reassess and maximise the use of parish facilities for mission and hospitality.
- Creating intentional pathways for people exploring faith.

Overall, the parish sees significant opportunity to deepen both community engagement and discipleship.

5. Qualities Sought in a New Vicar

The parish is clearly seeking a relational, grounded, and mission-focused priest who can build on the strengths already present while helping lead the parish into its next season.

The consultation identified the following desired qualities:

- Mature faith and relevant preaching.
- A caring and pastorally present shepherd.
- Strong interpersonal and listening skills.
- Ability to relate well across all generations.
- Energy, vision, and openness to change.

- Someone who empowers lay leadership and develops others.
- A collaborative leader who works well with staff and volunteers.
- Comfortable with different worship styles.
- Able to communicate vision clearly and practically.
- Organised, approachable, and able to manage time and priorities well.
- Passion for growing ministry among children, youth, and families.
- Technologically and socially aware, including online communication and social media.

The parish also expressed a desire for stability and longevity in leadership, hoping for a vicar who would invest deeply in parish life and relationships over the long term.

Closing Summary

The Anglican Parish of Taradale emerges from this consultation as a healthy, hopeful, and community-minded parish with strong foundations and significant opportunities for future growth. It is a parish marked by hospitality, faithful service, strong volunteerism, and genuine care for people. Parishioners value both spiritual depth and practical engagement with the wider community and are committed to remaining a church for all generations.

The parish is seeking leadership that can honour its strong traditions and relational culture while also helping it engage younger generations, strengthen discipleship, expand community mission, and continue growing as a visible and relevant Anglican presence within Taradale.