



Sesquicentennial (150 years) Dinner

Saturday 13 June 2026

Steve Wakefield



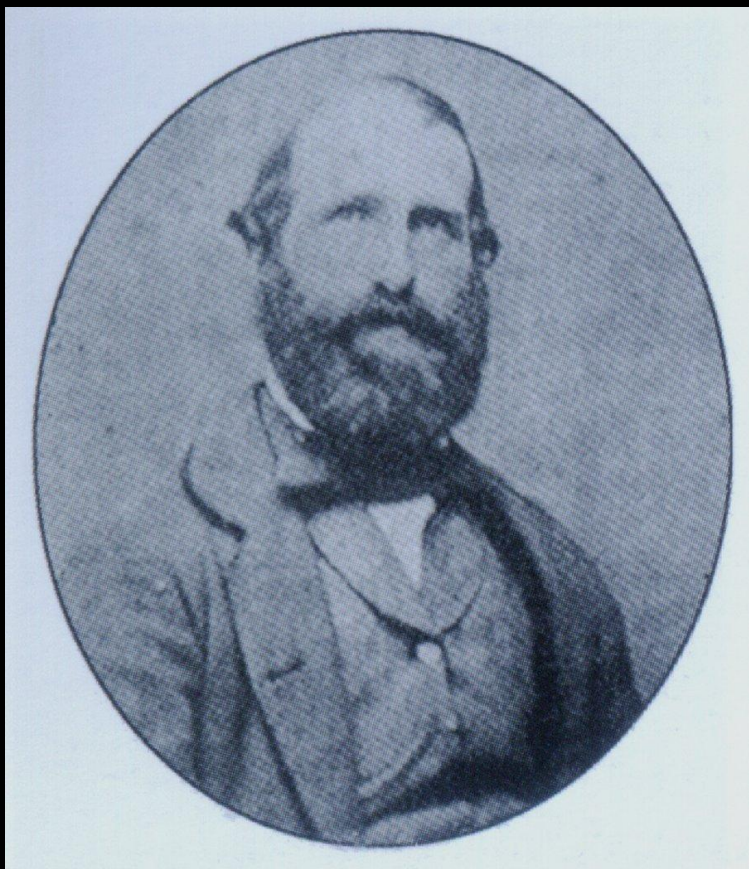
History of St Barnabas Memorial Church, Fendalton 1876 – 2026



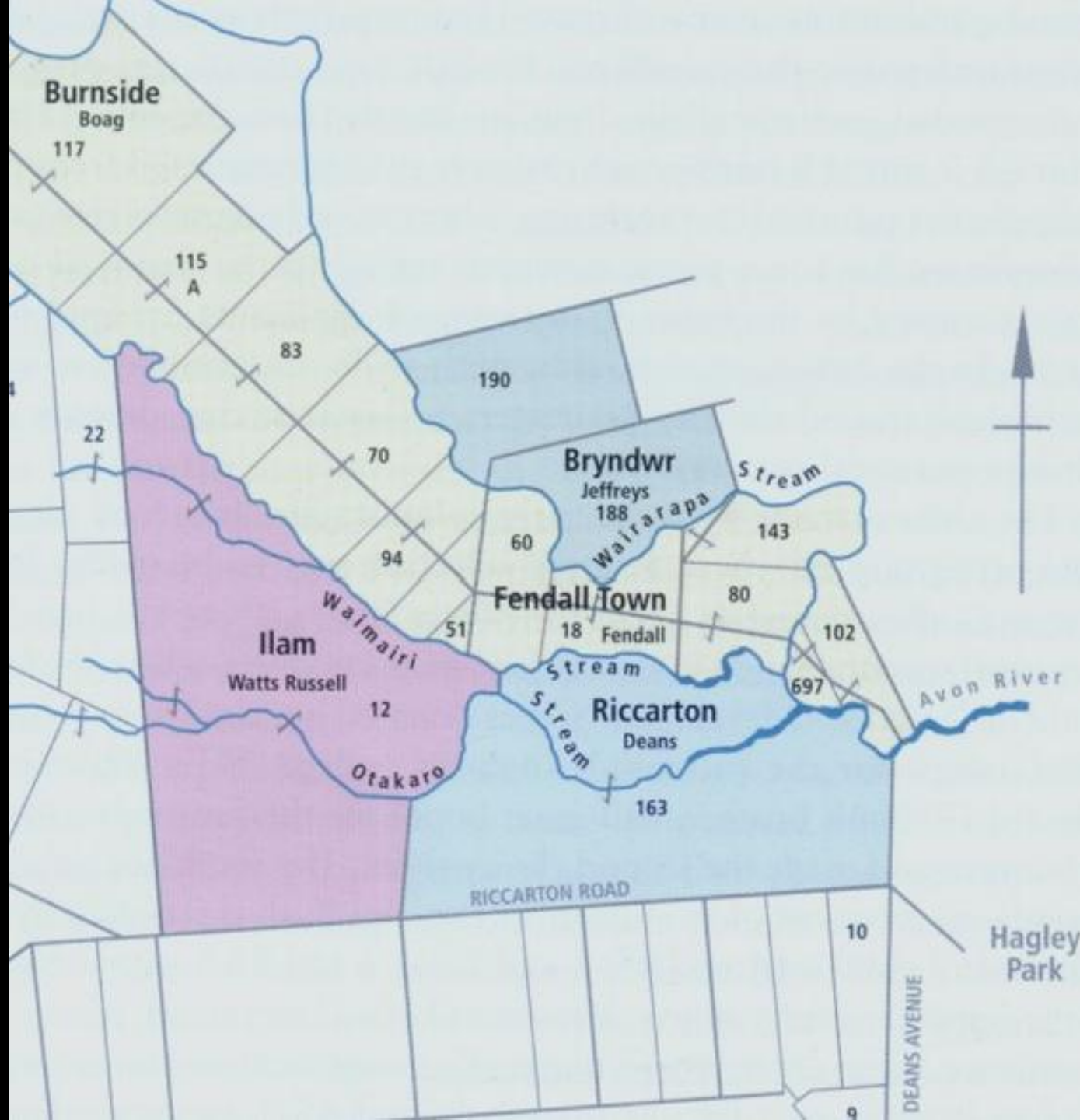




1850 Walpole Fendall arrives in Lyttelton on the Sir George Seymour



Walpole Cheshyre Fendall (1830-1913) and Lucy Hyacinthe Fendall née Swann

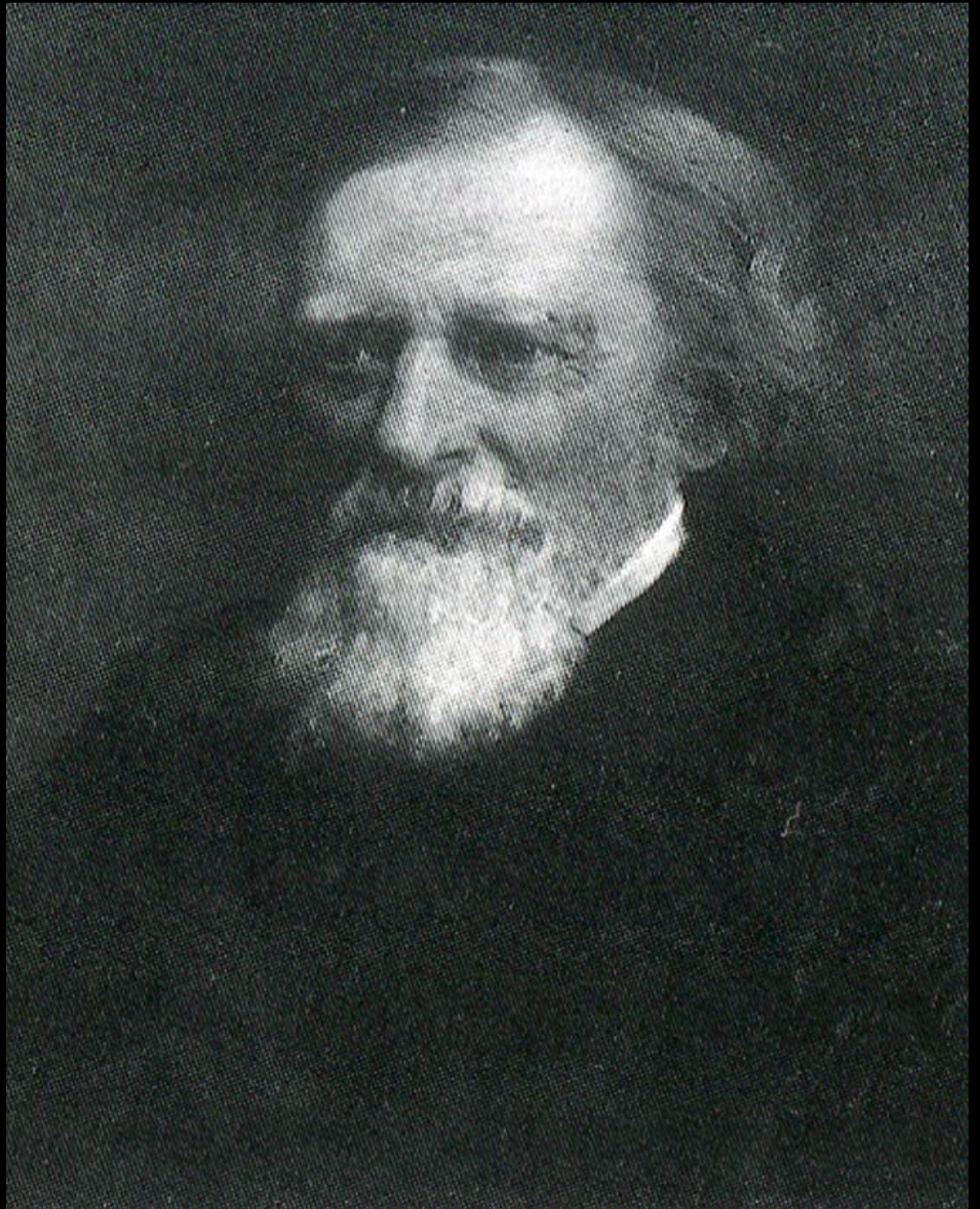


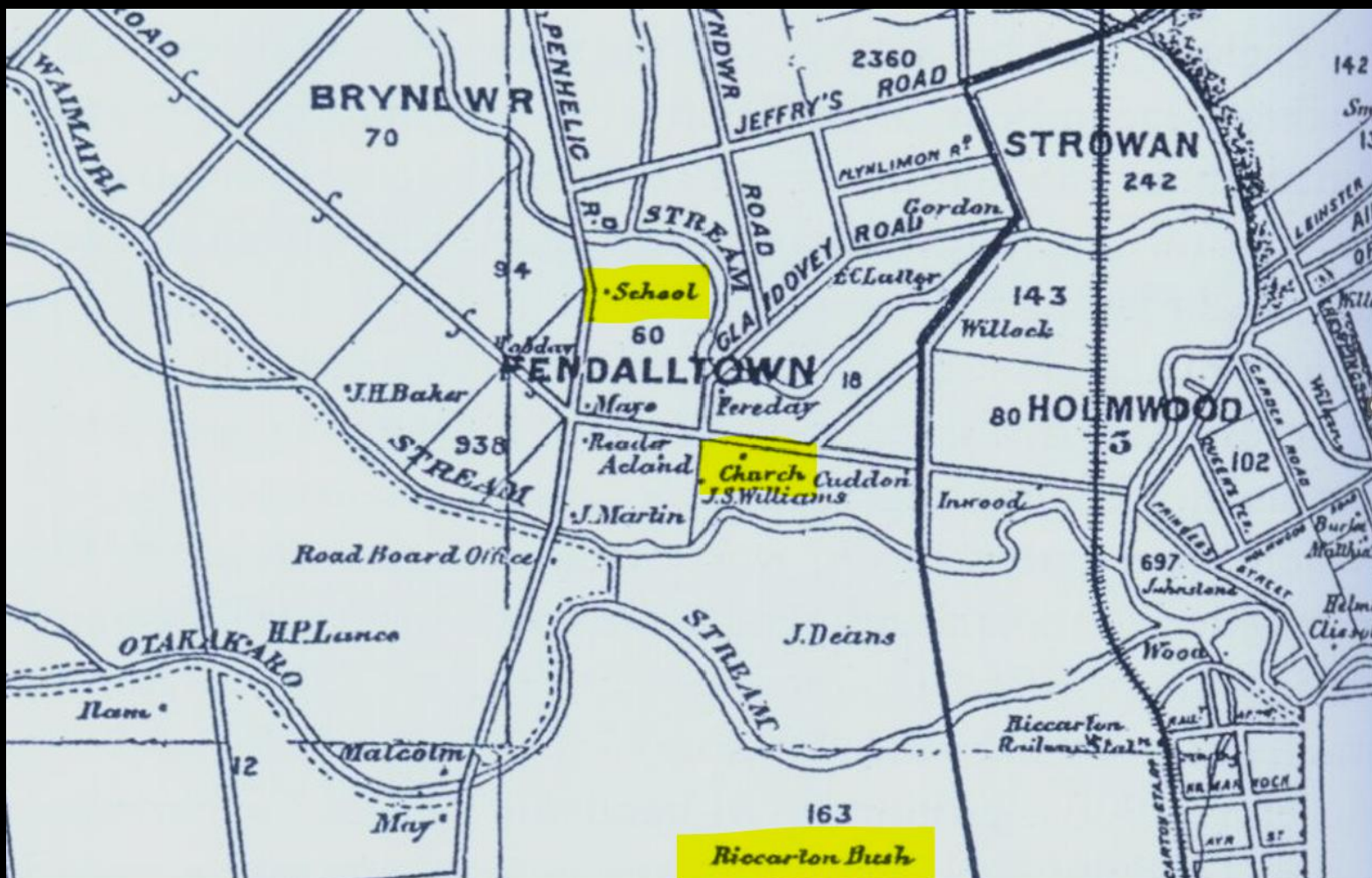
Rural Section 18 was selected by Walpole Fendall in February 1851.

The 'surplus' five-acre triangle of RS 51 was set aside as glebe (church) land in 1852 by the Canterbury Association

Daniel Inwood sailed to Canterbury on the *Sir George Seymour* and knew young Walpole Fendall, who sold him an acre of land at the corner of Fendall Town Road and Straven Road.

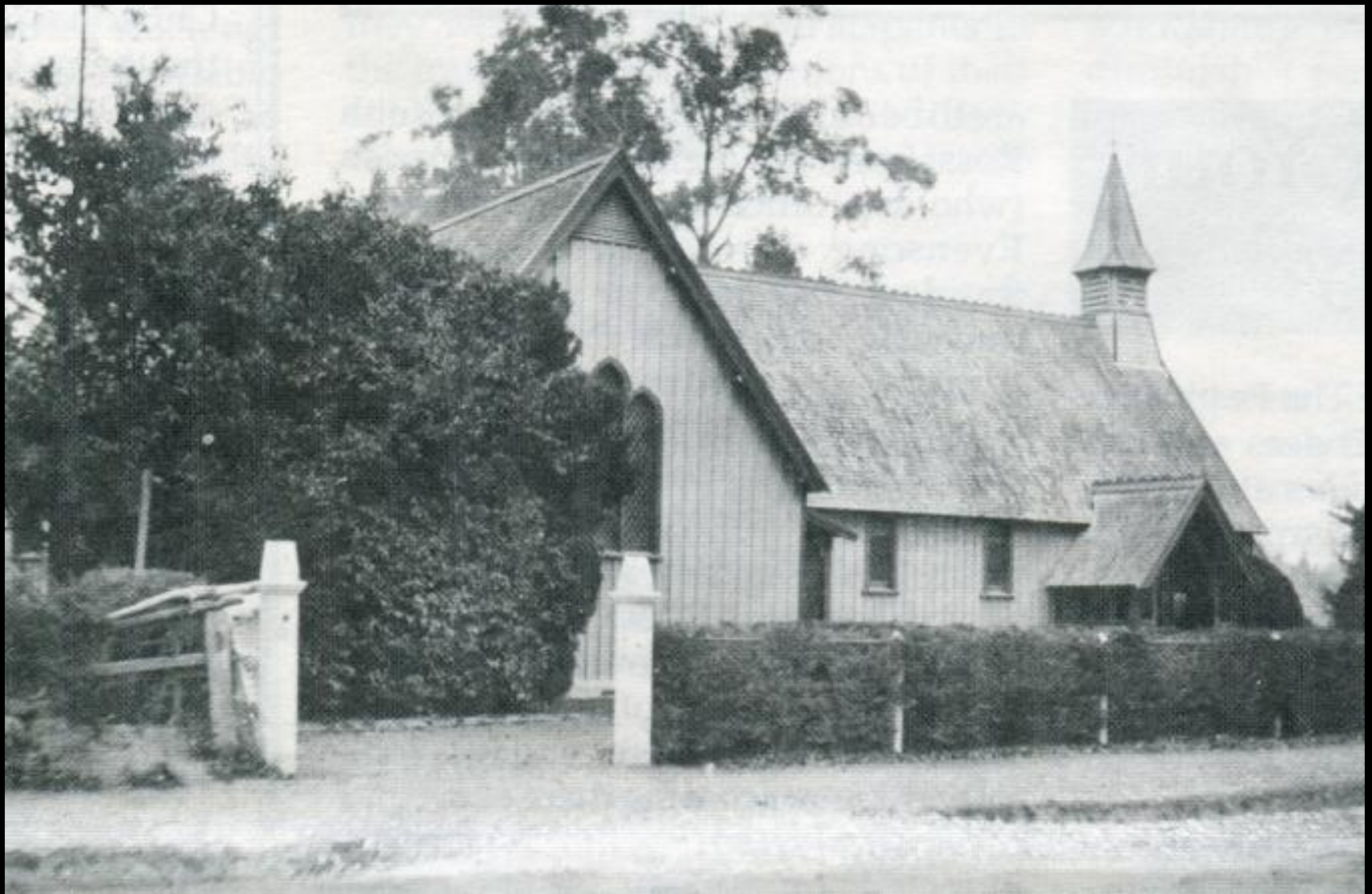
He bought a further five acres and in 1876 donated a quarter acre as the site for St Barnabas' Church.





Part of an 1884 map of Christchurch and suburbs, showing 'Fendalltown' and surrounding areas.

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St Barnabas's Church, Fendalton in 1898

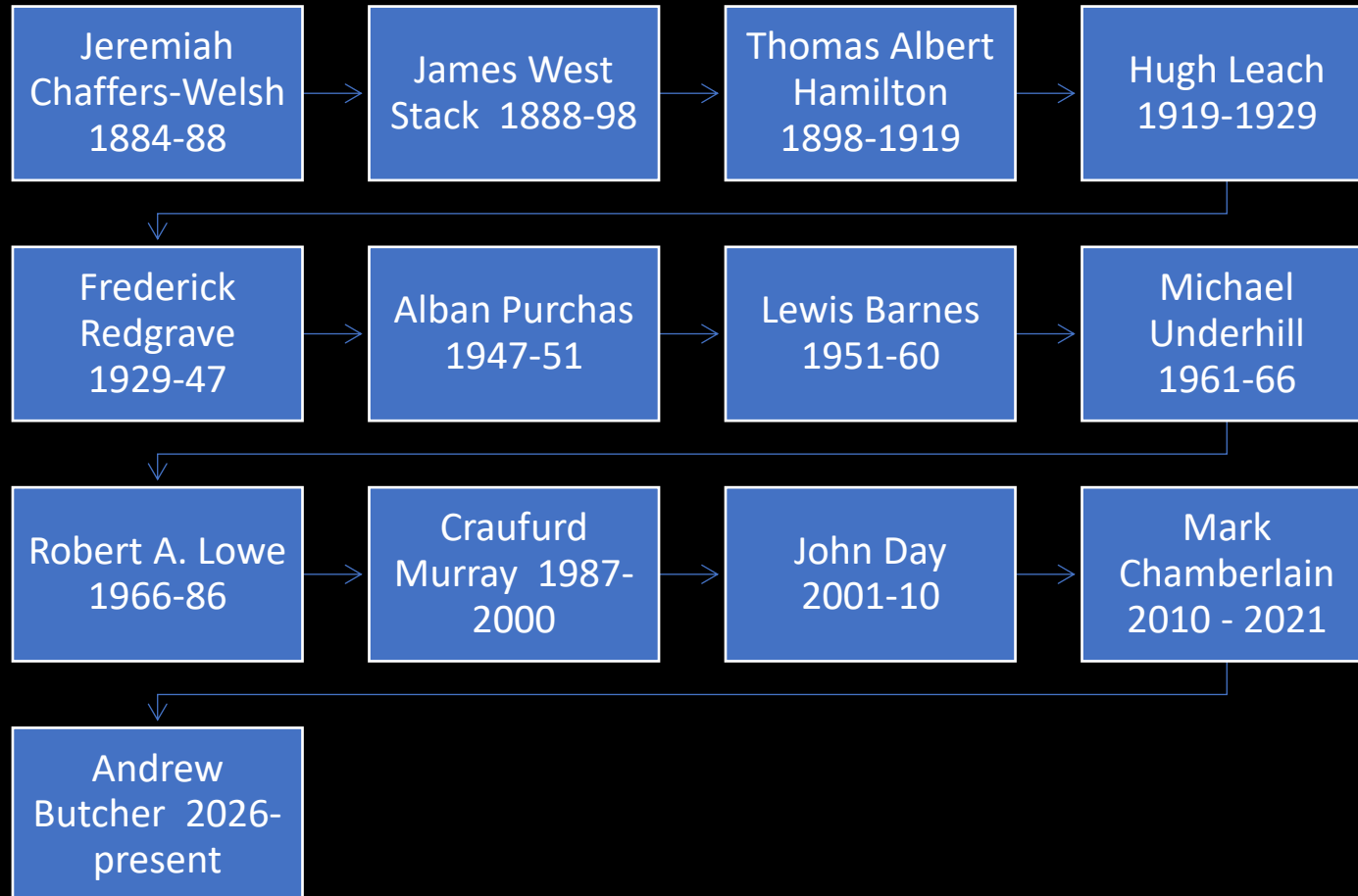


Fendalton Vicarage built on glebe land near the Waimairi Stream in 1886



The St Barnabas Sunday School constructed in two stages in 1896 and 1903 on Clyde Road on the five acres of glebe land not far from the Vicarage

Vicars of Fendalton





Canon Thomas Hamilton
Vicar of Fendalton 1898-1919



William Marriott front row centre with his men
2nd Batt. Canterbury Regiment, NZEF

ROLL of HONOUR

— SENATOR. —

1914

1918

Ashby. C.	† Dougall. M.	† Jameson. R.	O'Callaghan. V.	Mickens. M.
Ashby. F.	Edgar. H.	† Jones. B.	Parker. M.	Mickens. R.
Ashby. C.	Farr. G.	† Jones. M.	Payne. C.	Mreaks. T.
Ashby. R.	Farquharson. T.	† Kesteven. D.	† Prettigahn. M.	Mreaks. R.
† Archer. S.	† Fitch. H.	† King. H.	† Phipps-Black. G.	Morsley. F.
† Anderson. C.	Farrow. A.	† Kearney. T.	Quartermain. T.	Morsley. T.
Armstrong. J.	† Fairbairn. M.	† Knight. T.	† Ross. J.	Matson. T.
Barns. H.	Godfrey. J.	† Leversedge. J.	† Ross. H.	Wilson. A.
Bales. G.	† Godfrey. D.	† Toomes. V.	† Ross. A.	† Milley. G.
Bruce. G.	† Gurnsey. F.	† Tavie. G.	† Richards. H.	† Menley. H.
Best. G.	† Gurnsey. A.	† Macfarlane. D.	† Rutherford. B.	† Coffey. T.
Burgess. A.	† Gerard. V.	† Macfarlane. T.	† Riley. G.	† Caggill. G.
Coroner. G.	† Sidley. R.	† Macfarlane. M.	† Royds. G.	† Deane. A.
† Cousins. M.	† Sidley. M.	† Murphy. J.	† Royds. G.	
† Carr. F.	† Gould. A.	† Mantlan. G.	† Sharpe. J.	
† Carr. H.	† Gould. R.	† Mantlan. J.	† Smith. M.	
† Carr. M.	† Gould. R.	† McKay. M.	† Sadler. G.	
† Cuddon. G.	† Gresson. R.	† McDonald. J.	† Smythe. B.	
† Coffey. C.	† Hamilton. G.	† Moore. T.	† Smythe. R.	
† Cole. G.	† Hamilton. S.	† Monson. S.	† Seymour. D.	
† Caggill. T.	† Hamilton. B.	† Mulligan. V.	† Stanley. T.	
† Champion. T.	† Hardy. C.	† Mulligan. J.	† Stone. M.	
† Davis. T.	† Henderson. G.	† Mulligan. G.	† Scarr. G.	
† Davis. R.	† Harman. R.	† Meares. F.	† Tulley. G.	
† Duckworth. P.	† Humphreys. A.	† Marriott. M.	† Thompson. A.	
† Dalton. R.	† Hood. F.	† Marriott. P.	† Tyree. M.	
† Dickey. C.	† Judd. G.	† McDonald. R.	† Turnbull. R.	
† Douglas. F.	† Jones. A.	† O'Callaghan. T.	† Turnbull. J.	

(† - killed)



During the influenza epidemic of November 1918 church services were held in the open air. The altar was set up in the porch of St Barnabas's.
Brian Harman



Revd Hugh Leach was vicar from 1919-1929, shown with the Vestry

At the Easter Meeting held in 1919 a Building Scheme was launched. The fund then stood at 944 pounds.



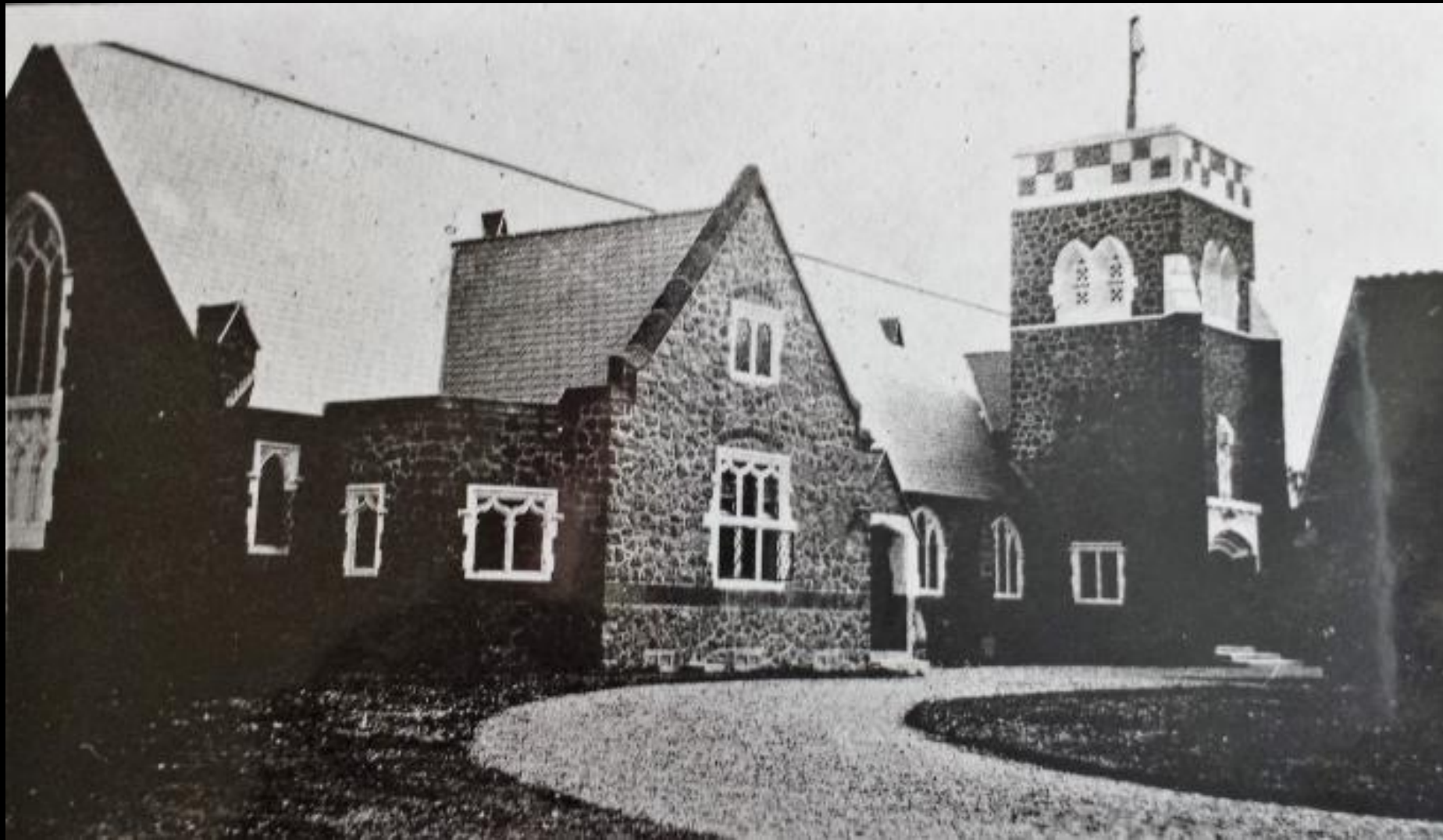
The Fendalton Vicarage from 1919 to 1958 on the corner of Tui Street and Fendalton Road



Laying the foundation stone for the new church of St Barnabas



The First Church and the Memorial Church from the west 1926



The completion of the stone Memorial Church in 1926



Family Service at St Barnabas' Church 1956



Aerial photograph taken in 1957 following the completion of the Sunday School/Parish Hall building.
Note the Vicarage lower left on the corner of Fendalton Road and Tui Street.



St Barnabas' Sunday School building (opened 20 March 1966) with a glimpse to the left of the earlier Sunday School/Parish Hall (1941 with 1957 East Wing extension) and beyond is the stone Memorial Church undergoing earthquake repairs in preparation for Reopening on 19 February 2017.

Frieda Looser 8 January 2017.

Canon Bob Lowe,
Vicar of Fendalton
1966-86

Parish of Fendalton



1876

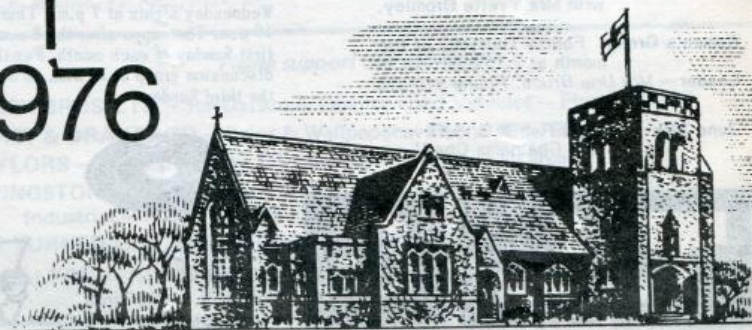


St. Barnabas FENDALTON

PENTECOST – 6TH JUNE 1976

*It's not all over after this weekend
Our Centennial celebrations continue with a special
Eucharist to be celebrated with joy and thanksgiving
on St. Barnabas Day – 15th June at 7.30 p.m.
with performances of Mendelssohn's ELIJAH on
23rd and 24th June, and CONFIRMATION on
Sunday 27th June at 7 00 p.m.*

1976



St. Barnabas, Fendalton

Centennial Lunch

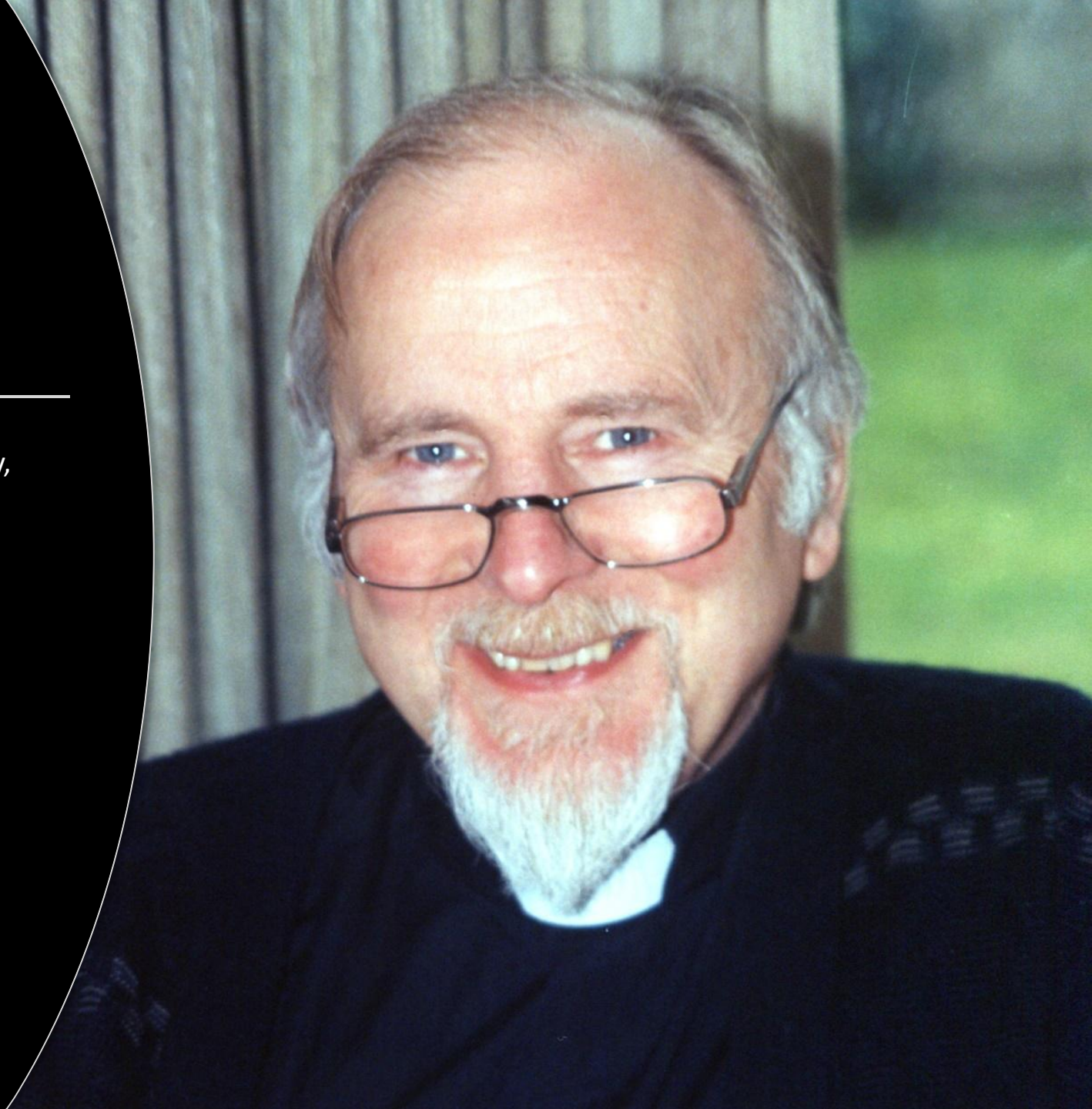
at Mona Vale, Fendalton Road,

Sunday, 6th June, 1976, at 12 30 p.m.

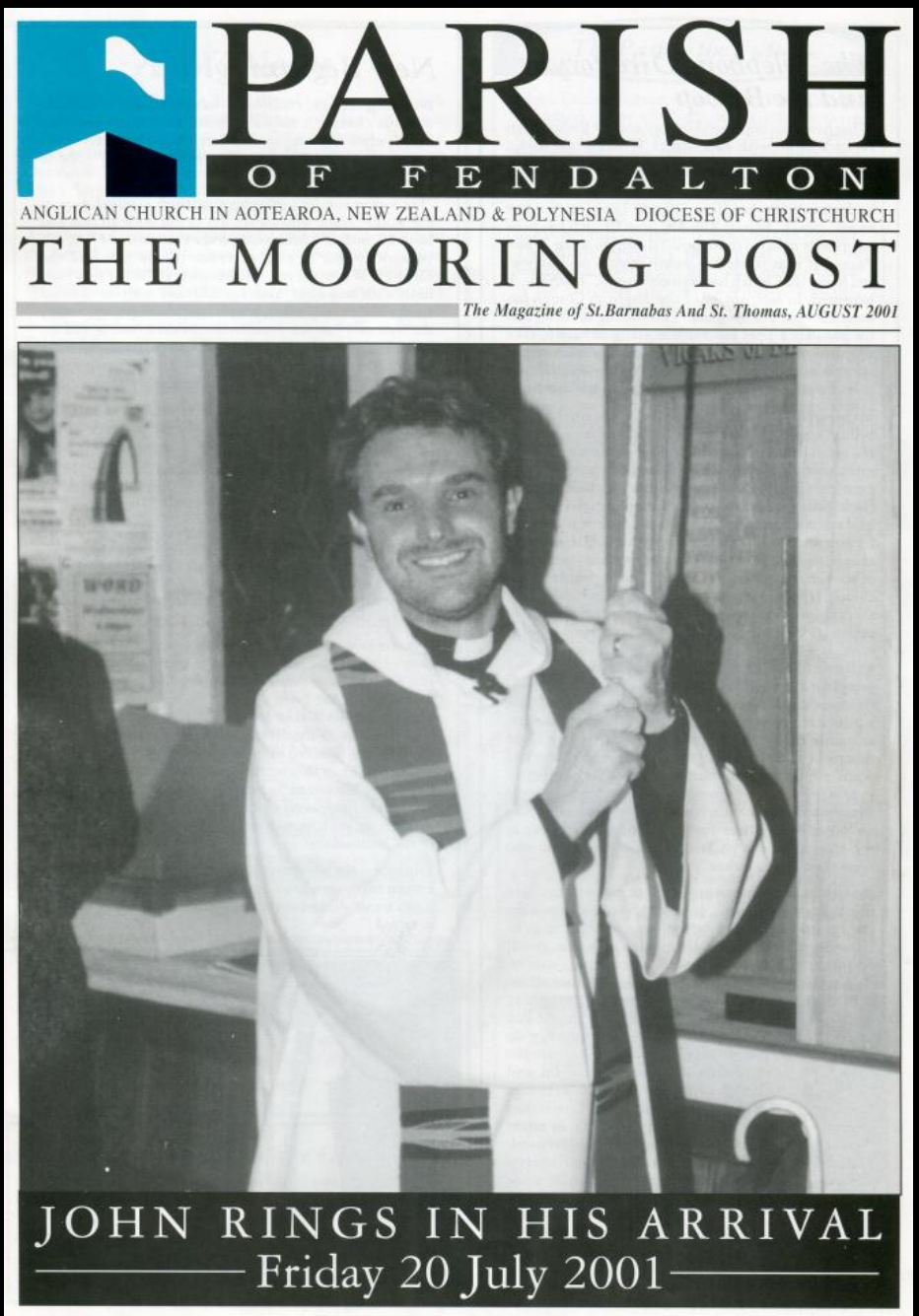


- Canon Craufurd Murray,
Vicar of Fendalton 1987 –
2000

- Parish of Fendalton



Parish of
Fendalton.
*Mooring
Post* July
2001, p. 1





Revd Bob Fendall preaching at the Ecumenical service for Fendalton's 150th Anniversary
14 October 2001

WALPOLE CHESHYRE FENDALL
(1830-1913)

of Nunburnholme and Crambe, Yorkshire
sailed to Canterbury on the Sir George Seymour 1850

He selected Rural Section 18 of 50 acres in
FEBRUARY 1851

and named this land
FENDALL TOWN

In 1854 he married
LUCY HYACINTHE SWANN
(1831-1897)

of Tideswell, Derbyshire
FOUNDERS OF FENDALTON

MEMBERS OF THE FENDALL &
THE FENDALTON COMMUNITY
AND THE
THROST WORTH CITY COUNCIL
DEDICATED THIS MONUMENT
ON SEPTEMBER 14TH OCTOBER 1913
ERECTED BY H. W. WOODHEAD, FENDALTON



Revd John Day, Vicar of Fendalton, explains his concept of 'church growth'
'Yes, we can do this!' *Anglican Taonga* Advent 2009



Still standing almost four months after the 22 February 2011 Quake, but there is extensive structural movement and cracking.

St. Barnabas
Fendalton Trust

**“Building, Repairs &
Maintenance Fund”**

**PLEASE
HELP
US REACH
OUR
TARGET!**

**Contact The
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\$1 Million

\$900,000

\$800,000

\$700,000

\$600,000

\$500,000

\$400,000

\$300,000

\$200,000

\$100,000

\$75,000



“We need over \$2 million and have an insurance shortfall of \$1 million as we have to strengthen the church to the new building code as well as repair the cracks”

14 December 2012



The damaged north wall of the nave at St Barnabas with windows removed for safe keeping.



The Vicar, Mark Chamberlain, reading the children's book *Grandpa always marches on Anzac Day* 25 April 2014



St Thomas's Church on Strowan Road started out in 1911 as the Wroxtton Mission Room for an additional Sunday School, later became a consecrated church, but was damaged in 2011 earthquakes and demolished after 100 yrs.

"Great is the
company of the
preachers!"
Andrew Butcher —
March 12, 2026





The Memorial Church of St Barnabas, Fendalton
our taonga and our ongoing responsibility