

## Part-time Priest in Charge

Saint Chad's Anglican Church Huapai, Diocese of Auckland



### Living Faith in the Community

At Saint Chad's we seek to be an open, welcoming and supportive Christian community where people of all ages can find a sense of belonging. We are committed to growing in our own faith, as well as reaching out beyond ourselves in love and care to the wider community.

<https://saintchadshuapai.com>

#### **Our Dream for Saint Chad's is that we are a church:**

- where our Christian community can share and grow in our faith in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ and with the enabling of the Holy Spirit.
- where our Christian community can express its faith through worship services which are varied, meaningful and authentic and which combine the best of Anglican tradition with modern practice.
- where there is an intergenerational congregation and where the needs of each of these "generations" are catered for.
- where, beyond meeting for church on Sunday, there are opportunities to share "life" together so as to help each other and to encourage each other in our faith.
- which continues to seek opportunities to reach out to our community both to serve and to share the good news of the Gospel.
- where there is the opportunity to explore and grow in our Christian faith through Bible study.
- which is well-resourced both financially and with people with the skills and passion to serve.
- which is recognised in the community as a place where people of genuine Christian faith meet to express that faith and to contribute to the community.

#### **2024 – 2026 Goals**

Be intentional about connecting with the missing generations in the local community. Reach beyond our Church community into the broader Huapai/Kumeu community.

Continue to develop creative service styles that are a blend of traditional and contemporary liturgies.

Strive to be more progressive within an Anglican framework in order to have more intergenerational appeal.

Provide more regular opportunities for members and the community to meet in small group settings for topical discussions, spiritual growth and theological education.

Continue to provide pastoral care to those within the Saint Chad's family and beyond.

Make more use of our land/whenua for the benefit of the community.

Become more eco-friendly.

Our goals were due for review and we look forward to doing this with our new Priest.

## Vision



We would like a Priest in Charge to:

- lead the congregation in achieving our dreams for St Chad's
- have a regular presence at Saint Chad's Church
- develop stronger community relationships
- build new ministry opportunities
- focus on growing this part-time role to a full-time position

Huapai, as part of the Norwest area, has a huge population growth in progress!

## Living Faith in the Community

Our windows acknowledge the uniqueness of Huapai and Kumeu areas with its place amongst orchards, farms, vineyards, native flora and fauna with the Kumeu river originally providing a transport lifeline to the region.

The text "I am the True Vine" (John 15:1-8) was bought to life through a photo of two vinters harvesting grapes in the local area in the 1950's. "He who abides in Me and I in him bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing".

Central in the first window are images of God the Father, God the Son as Jesus the Lamb of God, and God the Holy Spirit, which are at the centre of our vision.



## **Role**

Huapai Mission District is seeking a part-time Priest in Charge who is entitled to live and work in New Zealand.

The parish is easily able to support a ½ stipend, at this stage, and the appointee would be ably supported by the members, who are used to lay and ordained team ministry, and by our part time administrator.

The appointee would be a person who is a good team leader, is community focused, has development, communication and pastoral skills with visionary thinking.

Remuneration is according to the Anglican Diocese of Auckland Clergy Remuneration Guide, includes a housing allowance as well as covering Spiritual Direction, Supervision and Travel costs.

## **History**

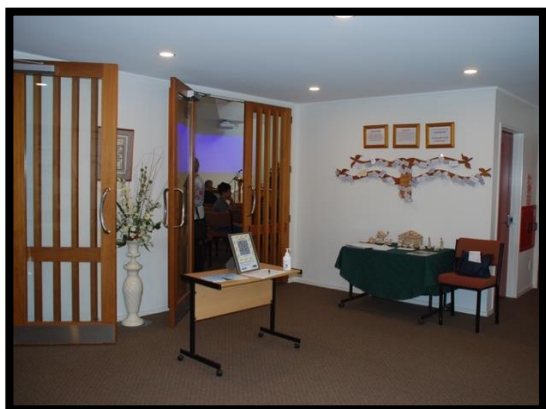
Originally Huapai was part of the South Kaipara Anglican Methodist Parish/Co-operating Venture. In 2009 South Kaipara moved to Local Shared Ministry and we became Saint Chad's Huapai Anglican Methodist Local Shared Ministry Unit. In 2019 we decided to end our Co-operating venture and became Saint Chad's Huapai Anglican Church. The Local Shared Ministry model was a great model to resource and educate all the baptised and we thoroughly enjoyed this time. However, the model had run its course amongst us and we desired a fresh approach.

In October 2020, Diocesan Council gave approval to become a Mission District on the appointment of a Priest in Charge.

During the last 2 and a half years we have grown the congregation and started a Kid's Zone which meets during the service every Sunday morning. We also run home groups and a Christian Meditation group.

## Location & Building

7 Matua Road, Huapai, Auckland  
Extensively rebuilt and modernised in 2018 and is now debt free



Foyer



Upstairs Mezzanine Room



Meeting Room



Hall Area

## Ministry & Community Life

Sunday 10am Weekly Service at Saint Chad's

Regular Activities:

Selwyn Centre, Women's Fellowship, Coffee and Crafts,  
Opportunity Shop, Christian Meditation Group, Homegroups,  
Community Board Games Evening, Occasional Film Nights.

Regular facility uses include:

Kumeu Blend Choir, Rangers, Brownies & Pippins, Yoga,  
Senior Net, Kumeu Friendship Club and Concerts.

To apply or express interest in this position please contact Archdeacon Carole Hughes at [carole.hughes@aucklandanglican.org.nz](mailto:carole.hughes@aucklandanglican.org.nz)