



He aha te mea nui o te ao. He tāngata, he tāngata, he tāngata

What is the most important thing in the world?

It is people,
it is people,
it is people.

Our new Dean, The Very Reverend Wendy Scott, came to us 12 months ago, introduced to us by a large contingent from her former parish and the Wellington Diocese, lead by Bishop Duncan. Within 5 weeks, our community (and country) changed drastically, with the pandemic firmly taking hold, challenging Wendy's formidable skill set and talents.

Before being called upon to carry out God's work as a minister of the Anglican church, Wendy was a nurse first and foremost, trained in Intensive Care, running the Intensive Care unit at Palmerston North Hospital. Wendy is a hugely vibrant person, which is fortunate for our parish, as she has been called here to lead St Peter's Cathedral through some exceptionally challenging times. Not only with spreading the word of God out into our community of Hamilton - Kirikiriroa and increasing our congregation numbers, but also in the huge work we face, bringing our beloved cathedral up to Seismic standard.

In her 12 months, Wendy has worked tirelessly to increase 'Our' visibility on Pukerangiora, this sacred site on which we worship, strengthening ties within the Maori church community and in fact other cultures, setting up more educational opportunities via video, bringing teams of people together to move us forward and sending our team out into the community to make a difference in peoples lives. Hosting dinners in their home for new parishoners to welcome them and strengthen relationships, adding social content in to meetings to build up a whanau environment,



the list of her endeavours and achievements goes on.

Wendy and her family, are a huge addition to our parish and in particular, Lynn and I feel very privileged to have them as friends.

Congratulations Dean Wendy and family on the incredible work you have achieved in 12 months. May God bless your time here and may the future be an easier road to tread.

Kia kaha

Bryan Bevege
Deans Warden

