



**The Archbishops and Primates
of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia**

Tuesday 28th August 2018

EMBARGOED UNTIL TUESDAY 28 AUGUST 2.15PM – BISHOP OF CHRISTCHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT

Kei te Whare Pihopa, tēnei tō mātou mihi kau atu i runga i te Ingoa Tapu a tō tātou Ariki a Ihu Karaiti,

It is with great pleasure that we are able to announce that the Venerable Dr Peter R Carrell has been nominated by the Diocese of Christchurch to be the next Bishop of Christchurch. This nomination has now been confirmed by the General Synod Te Hīnota Whānui of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

We look forward to welcoming Archdeacon Carrell as he takes up this important responsibility in our Church.

A well-known preacher and teacher, Archdeacon Carrell is currently Director of Theology House, Director of Education for the Diocese of Christchurch, and Archdeacon for Pegasus (East Christchurch). Baptised and ordained in Christchurch, he has served as parish priest and theological educator both in Christchurch and Nelson. His knowledge of the Diocese in all its richness, both rural and urban, is profound.

An announcement of a date and place for the Episcopal Ordination of the next Bishop of Christchurch will follow soon.

We give thanks to God for the careful process of discernment of the Electoral College of the Diocese of Christchurch and assure Archdeacon Carrell, Teresa, and their whanau of our support and prayers over the weeks to come.

Yours in Christ,

Archbishop Donald Tamihere
Te Pihopa o Aotearoa

Archbishop Philip Richardson
Senior Bishop of the New Zealand Dioceses

