



Vestry Nominee Profiles

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*Brothers and sisters,
choose seven men
from among you who
are known to be full of
the Spirit and wisdom.
We will turn this
responsibility over to
them and will give our
attention to prayer
and the ministry of the
word.”*

Acts 6:3-4





RUTH STRUTHERS

Time at Nativity: 19 years

Congregations I attend: Sunday 10am (mostly) also 8am and Thursday 10am.

Ministry Involvement: Currently:

- People's Warden
- Prayer Ministry
- Communion Assistant
- Scripture Reader

Vision for the Church:

1. For us to all participate in, and share the way of Jesus Christ as we further our "reaching" out to those in our wider Marlborough community who do not know Jesus.
2. To work together as a family of faith, helping one another through tough times, and celebrating the milestones together.... with empathy, compassion, grace and kindness.

Attributes/skills I bring:

- I am a "people person" and enjoy connecting.
- Discernment and pastoral strengths.
- I am a quick thinker and problem solver.



DION MUNDY

Time at Nativity: 20 Years

Congregations I attend: Sunday 10am

Ministry Involvement:

I have been involved in a number of ministries over the years and am currently a regular in a number of service duty roles particularly the morning tea roster at 10am

Vision for the Church:

I feel that the church is the group of believers and we all have talents to bring to the body and beyond. I strongly believe that discipleship needs to start with our own church family and hence I am passionate about our children learning from us all how to be church. Discipleship should be a joy and growth for all parties.

Attributes/skills I bring:

- I am positive by nature and try to be supportive of others.
- I have training and experience with working in teams to achieve projects in both my work and community involvement.
- I have experienced the importance of the correct, inclusive process, to achieve the end goal and aim to bring this to my interactions with others.
- I am willing to serve.
- I am keen to be involved in both discipling and discipleship



RACHEL POWELL

Time at Nativity: 42 or so years

Congregations I attend: Sunday 10am

Ministry Involvement:

Currently, I am a vestry member and in my 3rd year as a Synod rep. I am a reader at the 10am Service and play in the music group. I also co-ordinate a ladies' care cell.

Vision for the Church:

Nativity Church needs to continue to be relevant & in touch with our local community. Our various outreach ministries are flourishing & I would like to see them continue to grow & be used as opportunities to introduce people to the Christian faith, building relationships with each other as we do so.

Attributes/skills I bring:

- My current vestry member status gives me a background understanding of previous decisions made.
- I am reliable & trustworthy.
- I am willing to listen & able to see things from another person's point of view.
- I am willing to stand again for vestry with your endorsement.



ALEX SMITH

Time at Nativity: 7 Years

Congregations I attend: Sunday 10am and occasional 8am services

Ministry Involvement:

- Supported Healing horticulture.
- Intercessory Prayers
- Communion Assistant
- Reader

Vision for the Church:

- To be a loving, inclusive and community of faith encouraging us all to learn and grow in faith.
- That Nativity continues to find ways to engage with the wider Blenheim community.

Attributes/skills I bring:

- Deep professional experience in team development, culture and leadership
- A generous heart and willingness to serve
- I'm not perfect
- I love to sing



CONWAY TAYLOR

Time at Nativity: 24 Years

Congregations I attend: Sunday 10am

Ministry Involvement:

I was a Nativity Kids volunteer for seven years, was Children's Ministry Coordinator alongside my wife for three years, and now volunteer with the Intermediates Ministry. I have also served on the Building Committee for the last five and a half years.

Vision for the Church:

The building project has been a big part of my life, especially in the last few years. Stage 1 is now complete apart from a few small jobs and landscaping. we can now focus on Stage 2 and beyond. It helps to be part of the vestry so that the vision for the buildings can enable the vision of the church. The two are linked and I am looking forward to seeing what new opportunities arise in the next few years. I'd love to see more people coming to faith and joining our church community and I'm very positive about the future of Nativity.

Attributes/skills I bring:

- a passion for ensuring the future growth and vision of Nativity
- a firm commitment to Biblical truth and seeking authentic faith through a relationship with Christ
- ability to see goals realised