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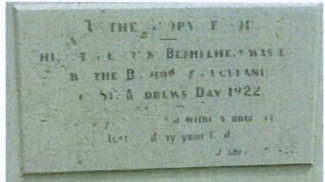
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St Andrews Anglican Church To Be Closed (Kevin Rowan)

Parishioners of St Andrews learnt just prior to Christmas that the church building has been assessed as an earthquake risk. The detailed seismic assessment report, which has been three years in preparation, was received at the end of November. This report assesses the building at 20% of new building standard and so the building is regarded as being a high risk of earthquake failure. The decision has been made by the Combined Diocesan Trust Boards that the building must be closed temporarily, whilst investigations take place into its future.

A final service will be held in the church on Sunday January 27th at 10.00 am with Archbishop Philip Richardson leading the worship on that day. During the following week some items will be relocated into the church hall to allow worship services to continue in the hall during the period of closure. All provision of ministry services continue as usual – worship on Sundays and Wednesdays, baptisms, weddings, funerals, pastoral care.

St Andrew's foundation stone was laid by Bishop Averill on November 30th, 1922 (St Andrew's Day) and opened and dedicated by him on June 28th, 1923.

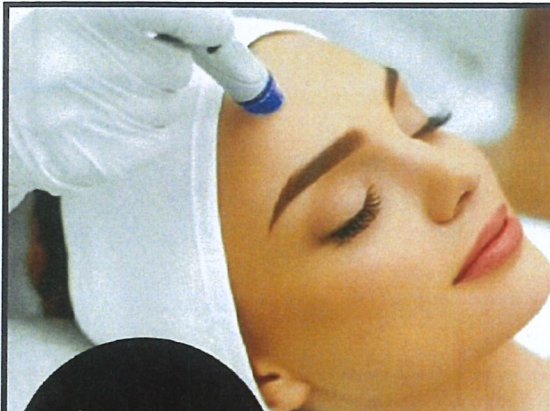
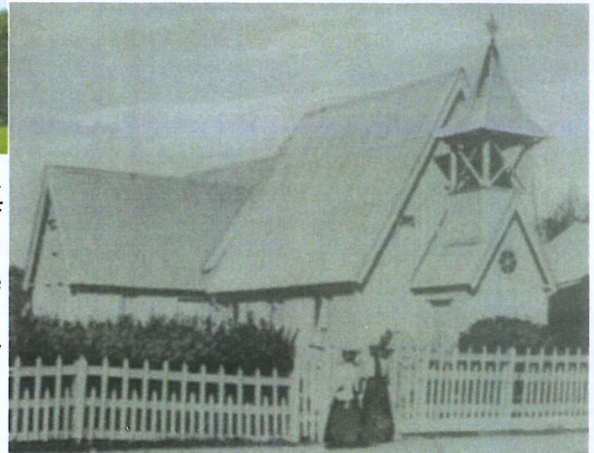


The church was designed by Messenger, Griffiths and Taylor of New Plymouth and built by Mr A O Brown of Wanganui. The cost was slightly under £3,300. This was the second Anglican Church to be



built in Inglewood. The first opened on October 16th, 1877, a wooden building designed by Archdeacon Walsh, the then vicar of Waitara. It was situated in Cutfield Street and at some stage was doubled in size and a bell-tower added. In 1918 the church and the vicarage were moved to the present site on Rata Street.

The parish of St Andrew's warmly invite everyone from the wider Inglewood community to attend the final service in the church on January 27th at 10.00am.



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