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# THE STORY OF THE FOUNDATION OF THE VICTORIA UNIVERSITY, WELLINGTON, ANGLICAN CHAPLAINCY<sup>1</sup>

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## INTRODUCTION

Let me start by gratefully celebrating the fact that to be a university chaplain is a privilege – ministering to young adults with their unfolding minds and spirits is an excellent way to delay the ageing process (a little).

Sixty two years ago I walked through the doors of Victoria University as a student for the first time. Twelve years later, in 1965, I walked through those same doors as the first Chaplain of this Anglican Chaplaincy. And here I am again, fifty years on, still loitering in the vicinity.

It's a privilege in this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the Chaplaincy to be invited to share with you something of its origins and rationale. ...



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