YOUR WEDDING

Holy Trinity Cathedral
AUCKLAND

WHERE YOUR LOVE IS WITNESSED AND YOUR STORY BEGINS

INTRODUCTION

CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

In the Anglican Church, marriage is intended by God to be a sacred and creative relationship grounded in love, and mutual support. God's blessing enables two people to journey together in love for the rest of their lives, sharing in the spirit of Jesus Christ.

At Holy Trinity Cathedral, we value the opportunity to support couples who wish to give thanks for their love and seek God's blessing for their future. Your wedding is a public declaration of this commitment, made before God and witnessed by family and friends.

One or both partners must be baptised in the Christian tradition.

Your service will be conducted by Cathedral clergy, with the possibility of other ministers participating by arrangement and at the discretion of the Cathedral clergy.

We continue to hold couples married here in our prayers and remain available for ongoing support.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Marriage preparation is required and included in your wedding fee. Our one-day IMAGO course (9am–5pm) offers practical tools to strengthen your relationship, combining group discussion with private reflection.

We want to help you build a strong foundation for your marriage and believe that a marriage preparation course is an important part of this process.

You will need to register for this course when you meet with one of our clergy.

If you are unable to attend, please speak with Cathedral clergy about alternative options. Any external course costs are your responsibility.

SERVICE AND MUSIC

PLANNING YOUR SERVICE

Your wedding will follow the Anglican tradition. You will choose from three authorised service forms in A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa, and further personalise your service with hymns, readings, and prayers.

At least one reading must be from the Bible. Additional readings may be included and read by family or friends. Our clergy will guide you through this process.

If you wish to include Holy Communion, this should be discussed early in your planning. We aim to create a service that is both faithful and welcoming to all.

MUSIC

Organ music:

Each of our venues is equipped with an organ. The Cathedral Organist, Dr Philip Smith, is available to assist with music selection. You are encouraged to meet with him to explore music that speaks to you as a couple.

Recorded music:

Recorded music (CD/MP3) is supported in most spaces. External musicians are welcome; however, rehearsal time is limited. The organist is not present at rehearsals but is available separately if required.

WEDDING REFRESHMENTS

The Bishop Monteith Visitors' Centre is available for post-ceremony refreshments:

100 seated / 250 standing
$600 (incl. GST) plus $500 refundable bond
Non-commercial kitchen

Catering must be arranged separately. Refreshments are not permitted within the main Cathedral worship spaces.

YOUR WEDDINGS DAY

We ask that the groom and his party arrive at your chosen venue 30 minutes before the service is due to begin.

The bride must arrive at the agreed service time as we may have other weddings following yours. Please arrange your pre-service preparations accordingly.

PRACTICAL DETAILS

FLOWERS & DECORATIONS

Our venues are places of Christian worship and liturgical furnishings cannot be moved or removed.

Flowers and decorations are your responsibility
Please coordinate access with the Cathedral office
Access to your chosen space is one hour prior.

Guidelines:
No flowers are permitted on any of our altars
Decorations must use ribbons only with no adhesives, nails, staples, or wire
Flowers and decorations must be removed at the conclusion of the service.

Confetti & Petals:
No confetti or rice is permitted anywhere on Cathedral grounds
Flower petals may be used outside our buildings only with the permission of the Dean.

Candles:
The Cathedral's existing candles are lit by the verger
One unity or memorial candle may be used (by arrangement)
No additional open flames are permitted (though electric alternatives are allowed)

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY

One official photographer/videographer is permitted. They must liaise with our clergy before the service.

The photographer/videographer must not obstruct or interfere with the service at any time.

If you would rather your friends and family did not take photos during the service, please print this instruction in your order of service.

WEDDING REHEARSAL

A Cathedral verger will assist at your rehearsal and wedding.

The wedding rehearsal is held during the week prior
The rehearsal duration is 1 hour
Please attend your rehearsal with wedding party, readers, and ushers

BOOKING AND FEES

MAKING A BOOKING

To secure your date:

- Meet with Cathedral clergy
- Submit booking form
- Pay:

  $500 non-refundable deposit
  $500 bond (if booking the Bishop Monteith Visitors' Centre)

No dates will be held without both the form and deposit.

Important:

- Separate weddings are scheduled at least 2.5 hours apart
- If your wedding is the second of the day, access is one hour prior
- We do not conduct weddings on Sundays, Holy Week, or late December – early January

THE MARRIAGE LICENCE

Apply approximately 90 days prior to your wedding date through the Department of Internal Affairs.

- Your licence is valid for 3 months
- Processing time is generally ~3 days

The completed licence must be emailed to the Cathedral office two weeks prior to your wedding. **We cannot conduct a legal marriage without a licence.**

Venue Addresses

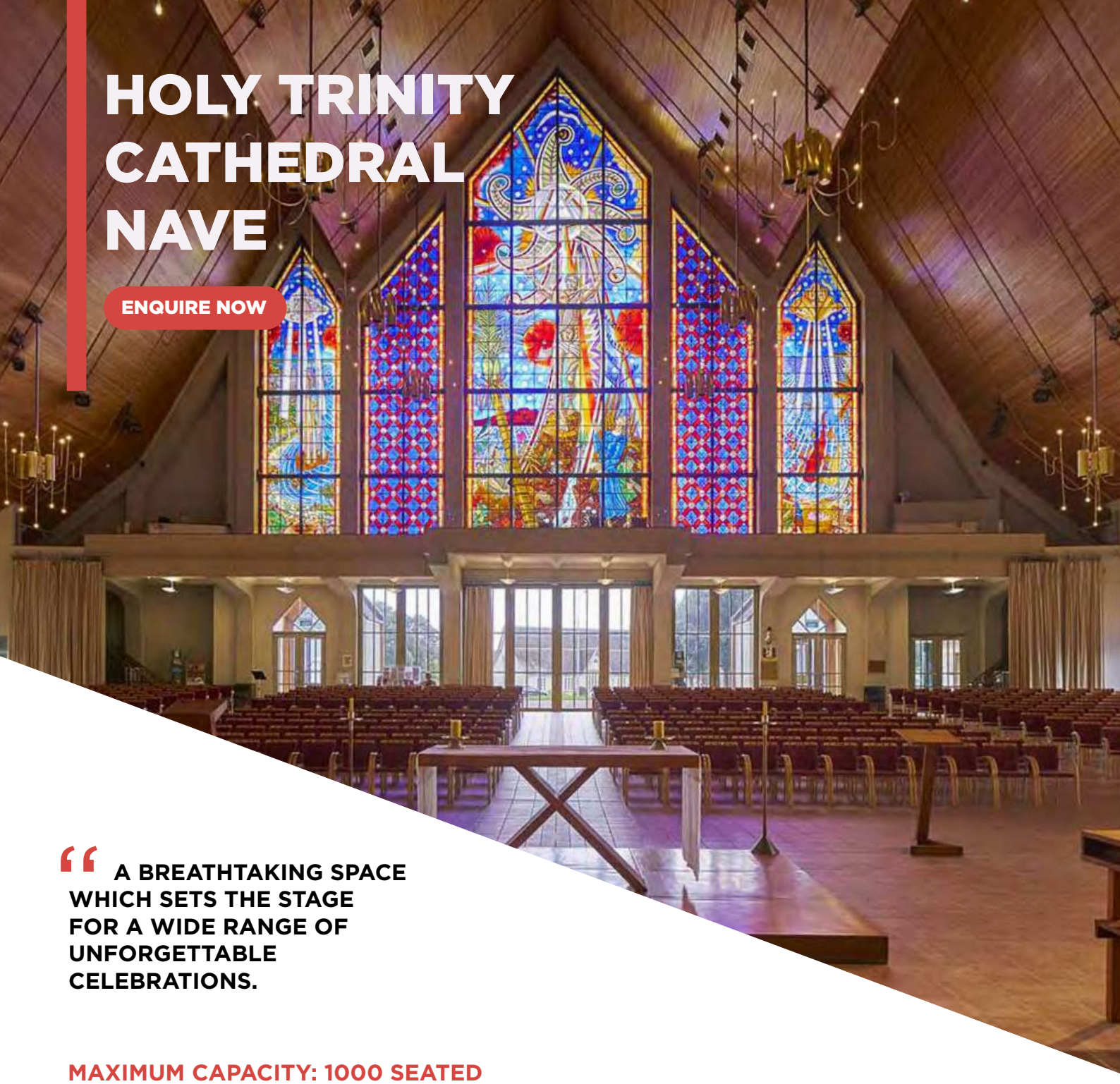
Holy Trinity Cathedral — 446 Parnell Road
St Mary's-in-Holy Trinity — 446 Parnell Road
Bishop Selwyn Chapel — 446 Parnell Road
St Stephen's Chapel — 12 Judge Street

Booking Fees (All prices incl. GST)

Cathedral Nave — $4,400
Cathedral Chancel — $3,500
St Mary's-in-Holy Trinity — $3,500
Bishop Selwyn Chapel — $3,500
St Stephen's Chapel — $2,500
Marsden Chapel — $2,500

Disbursements

Use of your chosen venue/s on your wedding day
A one-hour rehearsal during the week of your wedding



HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL NAVE

ENQUIRE NOW

> “ A BREATHTAKING SPACE WHICH SETS THE STAGE FOR A WIDE RANGE OF UNFORGETTABLE CELEBRATIONS.

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 1000 SEATED

ABOUT

Celebrate your marriage within the grandeur and sacred beauty of the Cathedral Nave — a space designed to inspire awe and reverence in equal measure. Light pours through expansive stained-glass windows, casting colour and warmth across a setting enriched by works from some of Aotearoa New Zealand’s leading artists, including Nigel Brown, Shane Cotton, Robert Ellis, and Ann Robinson.

With its sweeping aisle and remarkable sense of scale, the Nave offers a truly memorable setting for your entrance and procession, while maintaining the dignity and sacredness befitting a marriage service. Opening directly onto the Cathedral forecourt, it provides a seamless flow for guests to gather, celebrate, and greet you as a newly married couple. This is a space where beauty, meaning, and occasion come together effortlessly.

LOCATION

Holy Trinity Cathedral
446 Parnell Road, Parnell, Auckland 1151

VENUE HIRE

$4,400 (incl. GST)

The venue hire includes exclusive use of the Cathedral Nave for your wedding ceremony, along with a one-hour rehearsal during the week of your wedding.

ATTRIBUTES

- Magnificent cathedral organ
- Grand piano available for use
- CD and MP3 playback capability
- Spacious central aisle ideal for formal processions
- Flexible seating arrangement for large guest numbers
- Direct access to the Cathedral forecourt for gathering and photography

PARKING

A 150-space pay-and-display car park is available for guests and wedding suppliers, with convenient access from both Parnell Road and Brighton Road.

SPECIAL FEATURES

- Home to the largest expanse of stained glass in the Southern Hemisphere, showcased in the spectacular Great Window
- Houses the largest cathedral organ in the Southern Hemisphere
- A soaring contemporary sacred space combining grandeur with warmth and light
- Expansive forecourt and surrounding grounds ideal for guest arrival, post-ceremony celebrations, and photography
- Distinguished artworks by leading New Zealand artists including Nigel Brown, Shane Cotton, Robert Ellis, and Ann Robinson throughout the Cathedral interior.

HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL CHANCEL

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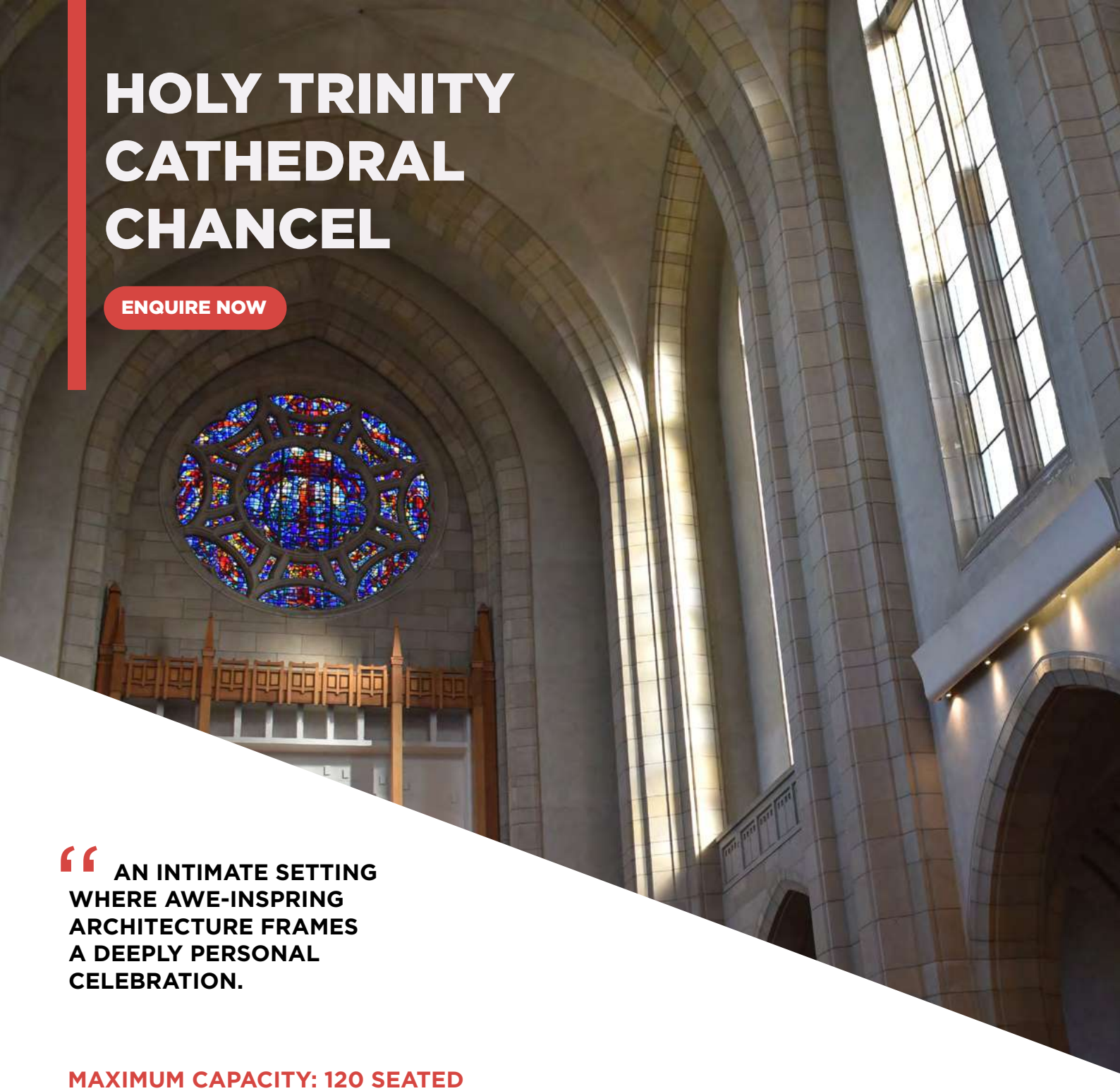

> **AN INTIMATE SETTING WHERE AWE-INSPRING ARCHITECTURE FRAMES A DEEPLY PERSONAL CELEBRATION.**

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 120 SEATED

ABOUT

Graceful and refined, the Cathedral Chancel offers a setting that balances intimacy with architectural splendour. Dedicated in 1973, this Gothic-inspired space is defined by its high vaulted ceilings, elegant stone arches, and polished wooden floors — creating a timeless and contemplative atmosphere for your wedding.

With guests seated on either side of the aisle, facing inward, the Chancel creates a uniquely personal experience, drawing family and friends into the heart of the ceremony. This distinctive arrangement, combined with the scale and beauty of the Cathedral, offers a sense of occasion that is both elevated and deeply connected. It is an ideal choice for those seeking the grandeur of a cathedral within a more intimate and focused setting.

LOCATION

Holy Trinity Cathedral
446 Parnell Road, Parnell, Auckland 1151

VENUE HIRE

$3,500 (incl. GST)

The venue hire includes exclusive use of the Cathedral Chancel for your wedding ceremony, along with a one-hour rehearsal during the week of your wedding.

ATTRIBUTES

- Cathedral organ
- CD and MP3 playback capability
- Intimate seating arrangement centred around the aisle
- Gothic-inspired architecture with vaulted ceilings and polished timber floors

Ideal for smaller weddings seeking both grandeur and intimacy

PARKING

A 150-space pay-and-display car park is available for guests and wedding suppliers, with convenient access from both Parnell Road and Brighton Road.

SPECIAL FEATURES

- The soaring vaulted ceiling and view toward the Cathedral's Great Window create a striking and elegant setting for wedding ceremonies
- Guests are seated facing one another across the aisle, creating a deeply personal and immersive atmosphere
- Access to the Cathedral organ, played from the gallery above, adds exceptional musical grandeur to the service
- Combines the scale and beauty of the Cathedral with the intimacy of a smaller sacred space

BISHOP SELWYN CHAPEL

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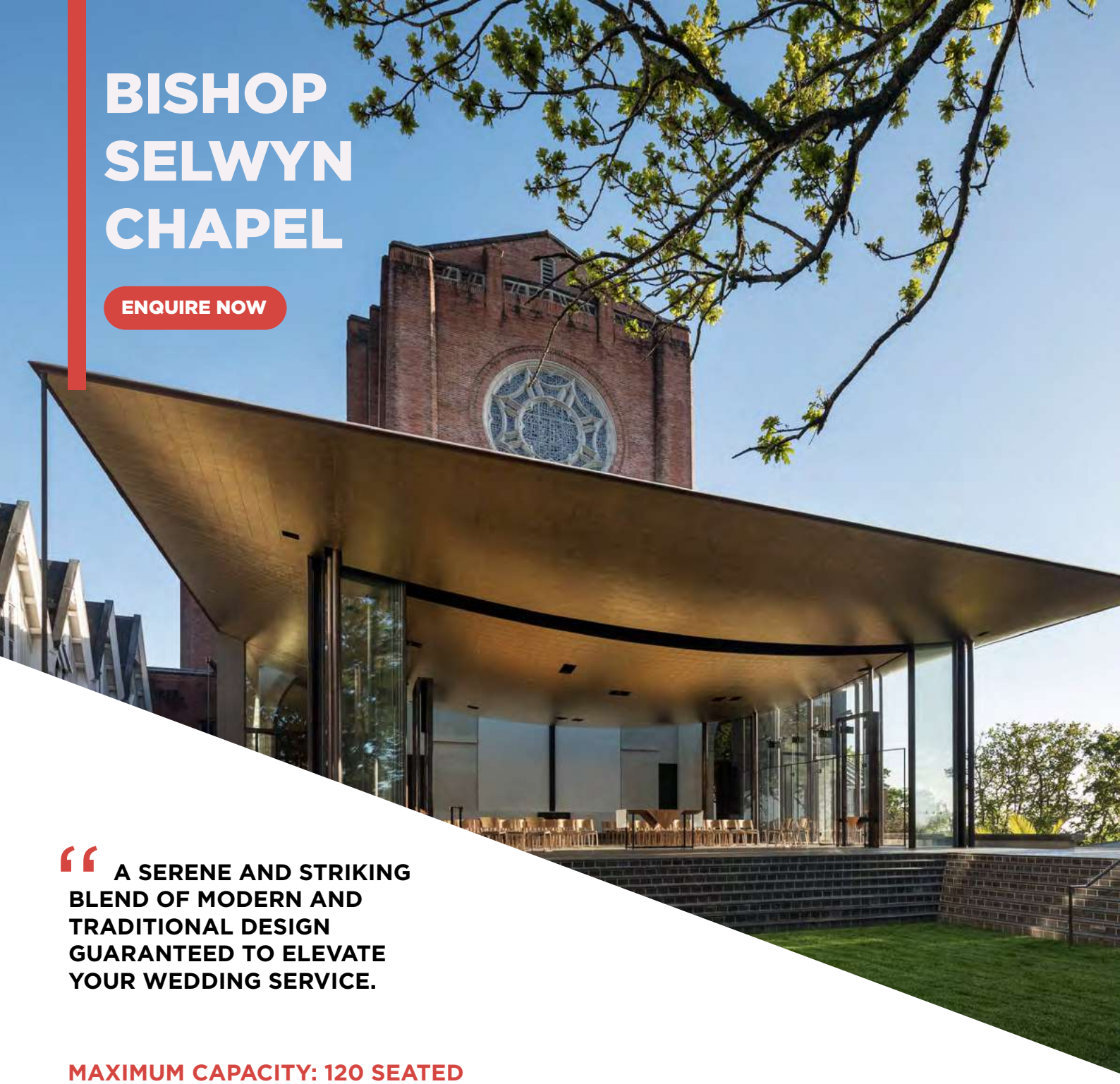

“ A SERENE AND STRIKING BLEND OF MODERN AND TRADITIONAL DESIGN GUARANTEED TO ELEVATE YOUR WEDDING SERVICE.

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 120 SEATED

ABOUT

Intimate, luminous, and quietly breathtaking, the Bishop Selwyn Chapel offers a contemporary setting for marriage that honours both beauty and sacred tradition. Designed by the acclaimed architects Fearon Hay, this glass-walled chapel is filled with natural light and framed by uninterrupted views across the Cathedral grounds, the Selwyn oaks, and towards Maungakiekie / One Tree Hill.

Set slightly apart from the main Cathedral, the Chapel provides a sense of privacy and stillness — a place where your ceremony can unfold with elegance and intention. Its refined proportions and extraordinary gilded ceiling create a space that feels both modern and deeply reverent, offering a distinctive and memorable setting for your wedding.

LOCATION

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VENUE HIRE

$3,500 (incl. GST)

The venue hire includes exclusive use of the Bishop Selwyn Chapel for your wedding ceremony, along with a one-hour rehearsal during the week of your wedding.

ATTRIBUTES

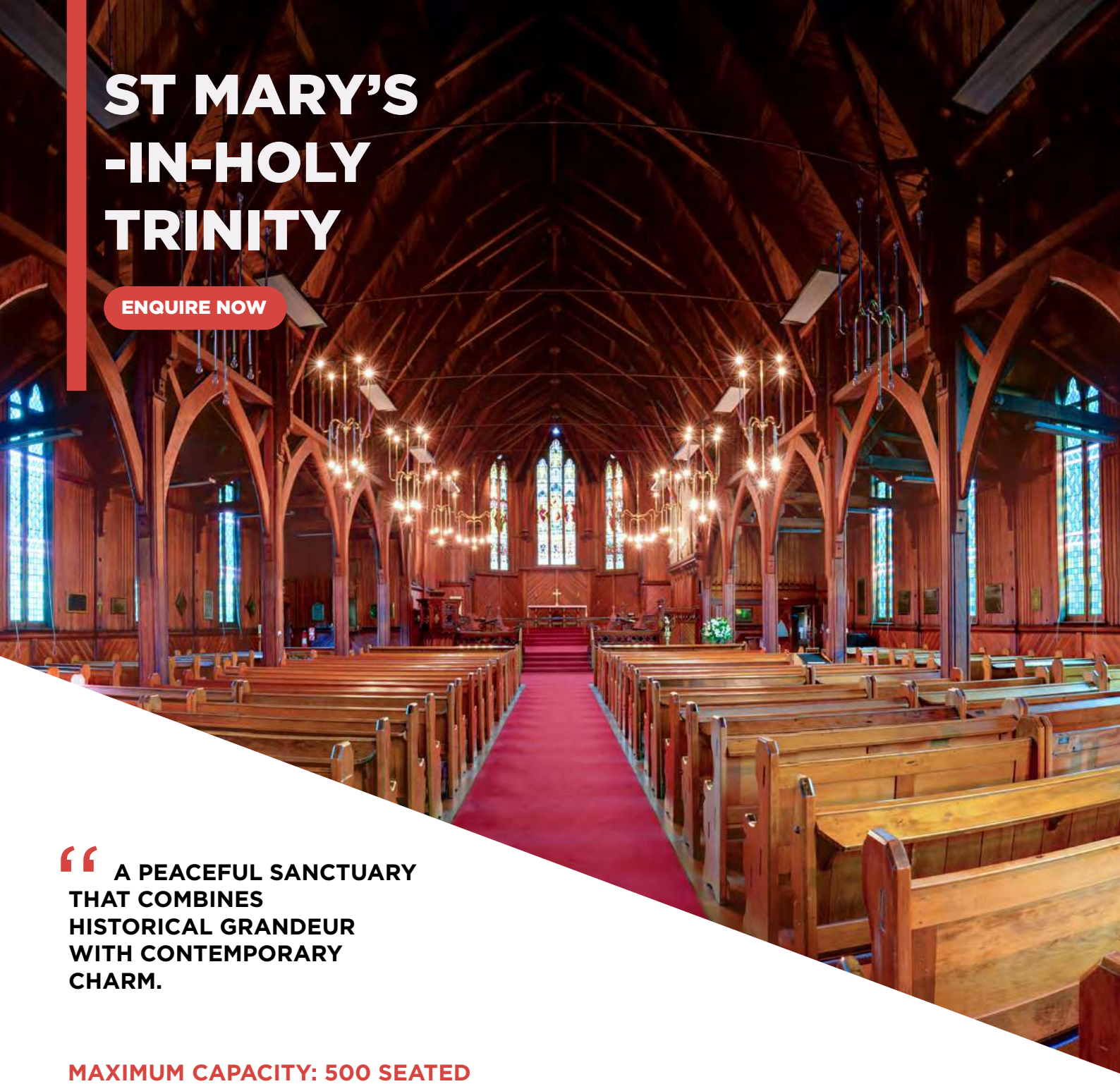
- Organ
- CD and MP3 playback capability
- Contemporary architectural design
- Intimate chapel setting with strong natural light
- Ideal for elegant weddings of up to 120 guests

PARKING

A 150-space pay-and-display car park is available for guests and wedding suppliers, with access from both Parnell Road and Brighton Road.

SPECIAL FEATURES

- Contemporary glass-walled architecture designed by acclaimed Auckland architects Fearon Hay
- A striking gilded ceiling creates a warm and luxurious atmosphere
- Expansive views across the Cathedral gardens and towards Maungakiekie / One Tree Hill
- A secluded and tranquil setting within the Cathedral precinct, offering both privacy and grandeur
- Surrounded by mature trees and landscaped grounds, providing a beautiful backdrop for photography.



ST MARY'S -IN-HOLY TRINITY

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> **"A PEACEFUL SANCTUARY THAT COMBINES HISTORICAL GRANDEUR WITH CONTEMPORARY CHARM.**

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 500 SEATED

ABOUT

Rich in history and quietly romantic, St Mary's-in-Holy Trinity offers a deeply meaningful setting for your wedding. Crafted with native kauri panelling, soaring ceilings, and traditional stained-glass windows, this heritage church carries a timeless sense of beauty and occasion. As a cherished taonga of Aotearoa New Zealand, its story is interwoven with the history of the nation itself—a place where generations have gathered to make sacred vows.

Surrounded by the Cathedral's gardens, St Mary's provides a setting that feels both intimate and expansive. The warmth of the timber interior, combined with its architectural grace and historic significance, creates a space that is both elegant and reverent—ideal for couples seeking a wedding grounded in tradition, beauty, and enduring meaning.

LOCATION

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VENUE HIRE

$3,500 (incl. GST)

- Historic pipe organ
- CD and MP3 playback capability
- Heritage wooden church interior
- Traditional Anglican worship setting
- Versatile venue for a range of ceremonies from intimate to large-scale

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PARKING

A 150-space pay-and-display car park is available for guests and wedding suppliers, with convenient access from both Parnell Road and Brighton Road.

SPECIAL FEATURES

- A 120-year-old heritage church and recognised taonga of Aotearoa New Zealand
- Warm kauri timber interiors, soaring ceilings, and traditional stained-glass windows create a timeless atmosphere
- Beautiful stencilled organ pipes and carefully preserved historic detailing add to the character and charm of the space
- Surrounded by the Trinity Gardens and Labyrinth, providing exceptional settings for wedding photography
- A deeply significant place in New Zealand's history, continuing a long tradition of sacred celebrations and marriage ceremonies.

ST STEPHEN'S CHAPEL

ENQUIRE NOW

> **A HERITAGE SANCTUARY BY THE WATER FOR QUIETLY BEAUTIFUL WEDDINGS STEEPED IN HISTORY.**

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45 SEATED

ABOUT

Tucked quietly above the waters of Judges Bay, St Stephen's Chapel offers a setting of rare intimacy and historic charm. Surrounded by an early Anglican graveyard and overlooking the harbour, this small wooden chapel has been a place of continuous worship since 1856 — its simplicity and stillness lending a deeply reflective quality to every ceremony.

Perfect for smaller gatherings, the chapel's peaceful grounds and sweeping views create a sense of seclusion and occasion, while its heritage character connects your wedding to generations who have marked life's most meaningful moments here. This is a place where understated beauty and sacred tradition come together in a truly memorable way.

LOCATION

St Stephen's Chapel
12 Judge Street, Parnell, Auckland 1151

VENUE HIRE

$2,500 (incl. GST)

The venue hire includes exclusive use of St Stephen's Chapel for your wedding ceremony, along with a one-hour rehearsal during the week of your wedding.

ATTRIBUTES

- Historic chapel organ
- CD playback capability
- Intimate heritage setting
- Ideal for intimate wedding ceremonies

PARKING

On-street parking is available for guests on Judge Street and Judges Bay Road.

SPECIAL FEATURES

- An historic Anglican chapel that has been in continuous use for worship since 1856
- Nestled within one of Auckland's earliest churchyards, overlooking Judges Bay and the Waitematā Harbour
- A peaceful and secluded setting offering privacy, intimacy, and timeless character
- Surrounded by mature trees, historic headstones, and sweeping harbour views, creating a uniquely romantic atmosphere
- The chapel bell may be rung by Cathedral staff at the conclusion of your ceremony, marking the beginning of married life with a traditional celebration.

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