



### **Christ Church Cathedral Reinstatement Project February Update**

There's been plenty of activity lately in and around the Cathedral site.

We've wrapped up work removing some of the steel framing from the western porch area of the Cathedral, stonemasons have completed their work cataloguing recovered material and the new Anglican Bishop Peter Carrell reiterated his support for the reinstatement project at his installation service in front of the Cathedral on 9 February.

**Read on to find out more...**



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### **Framing removal work wrapped up**

Earlier this month, we wrapped up work removing some of the steel framing from the front of the Cathedral.

This work, not only improves the look of the Cathedral, but it provides us with better and safer access to the western porch area. In turn, that helps us to work out the best approach to reinstatement.

We took the opportunity, while we had the cranes on site, to remove some of the loose roofing slate and recover loose material from the western porch roof area that had been dislodged by the earthquakes.

The biggest masonry block that was recovered weighed 6.2 tonnes!

You can read more [here](#)



## **Sorting through recovered material from the Cathedral is a labour of love for one Canterbury man...**

Stonemason Mark Whyte has been cataloguing pieces of stained glass window and other material recovered from the western porch of the Cathedral. He says working out where the pieces came from is like putting together a giant jigsaw puzzle.



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## **Ninth Anglican Bishop of Christchurch installed in front of the Cathedral**

Bishop Peter Carrell chose Cathedral Square as the setting for his installation service on the 9th of February.

The location of the installation was deliberate, said Bishop Peter. "Today I am not able to be installed inside the cathedral but I am glad to be installed as close to it as safety permits. One day we will be inside the cathedral again and when we re-open it, I will stand outside the main doors, eager to bang on the doors with my crozier, a custom normally associated with an installation service."

Civic leaders and other denominational heads were present and offered their support.

Mayor Lianne Dalziel and Reverend Barry Ayres both spoke about working together for the good of Christchurch. In his address the new Bishop thanked the Anglican Church for their faith in him and pledged to work cooperatively with civic and church leaders across the regions. He spoke about the Cathedral reinstatement, thanking the Government and other parties for making the reinstatement possible.

Credit: AnglicanLife and Neil Macbeth Photography

Read more [here](#)



Thank you for your interest in the project to reinstate Christ Church Cathedral. We will keep you updated on progress and developments as we go along.

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