

## ARE YOU LOOKING FOR-

Support to create rituals that express where you have travelled to in your spiritual journey,

or action-reflection monitoring?

Jean would be pleased to hear from you.

### Jean offers:

Commitment to Tangata Whenua, the poor, women and children;

Liturgical and Ritual skills;

Wide experience in church and community.

### Remuneration:

Negotiations for beneficiaries and low income people.  
(Green Dollar members welcome)

Wedding or funeral enquiries welcome

**All enquiries to Jean at:  
Auckland 579-9186**

## Some ideas about rituals

House warmings

House blessings

Celebrating a new family

A blessing at adoption

Mothers' Day !

Fathers' Day !

Blessing a new home

New Year prayers

Parent's remarriage

Blessing a relationship

Celebrating birth

From girlhood to young women

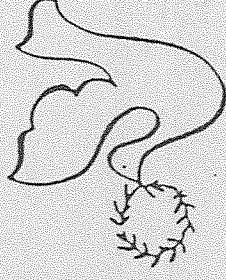
60th birthday

Retiring

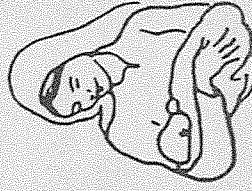
Rituals for abortion

A second marriage

# Jean Brookes



Jean came to Aotearoa in 1962 as a General Registered Nurse and Midwife, and worked as a midwife, firstly at Motueka then National Women's Hospitals.

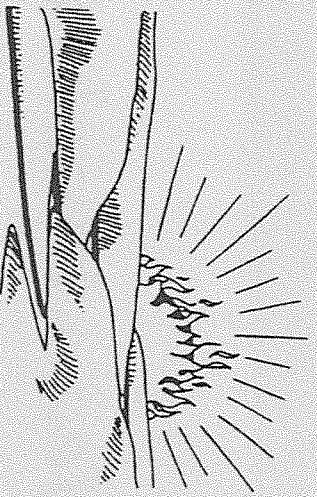


Jean was very aware of poverty as a midwife in condemned housing in England.

She studied theology at St John's College Auckland, and later community and youth work in Birmingham, England.

Jean was a community worker at Friendship House Manukau City, and became an Anglican Priest in 1977.

While Jean was Vicar of Mangere East for 8 years she became aware of the importance of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, as well as feminist theology.



Jean was in the (1989-1992) Anglican Bicultural Education Unit when that denomination amended its Constitution to try to honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi, as well as its Polynesian identity.

Then Jean was Northern Fieldworker for Christian World Service and did community and church research for 5 Anglican Parishes in West Auckland.

After this she became Coordinator of Take-a-Break Women's Centre in Pitt Street Auckland.

"Jean is a gentle person because she is so clear where she is coming from. She causes a sense of calm in a project whether she is physically present or not.

She is committed to Te Tiriti o Waitangi in everything she does.

She asks non-threatening questions that help us work out the journey together.

She's a spiritual revolutionary".

*(Feedback at Jean's farewell, 1977)*

Emigrating

Closing a relationship

Farewells

Renewing commitment

Divorce

A New Start

Miscarriage

Death of a child

For the abused

For women and men

Litany for creation

Sexual abuse healing

God of light and warmth

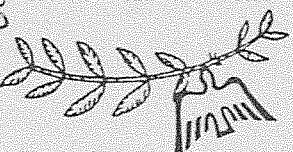
God of dark and rest

Blessing of the stew pot

Homelessness Sunday

Justice, peace and integrity of creation

Release from marriage vows



*"As the marsh hen builds on the watery sod I will build me a nest of the greatness of God. I will fly without fear where the marsh hen flies in space betwixt the sea and the sky."*

*Arnon.*



Rather than following her teenage idea of Christian commitment as an Anglican Nun in Central Africa, Jean has become part of the herstory of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Jean accepts Pakeha responsibility for oppressions of the past, and is seeking ways to work for justice in church and state.

Jean has met new networks of women in recent times, especially those involved in peer group, ritual and psychological work.

Jean supports dialogue between Christians, Jews and Muslims.