

# SELWYN CATHOLIC PARISH

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**Third Sunday of Ordinary Time  
12 January 2022.**

## Readings

**Nehemiah 8:2-10  
1 Corinthians 12:12-30  
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21**



## **WEEKEND MASSES**

**Lincoln:** Saturday Vigil - 5.30pm  
Sunday - 8.30am & 11.00am

**Darfield:** Sunday – 8.30am  
**Leeston:** Sunday - 10.00am

### **Weekday Masses:**

**Lincoln:** Tuesday - Friday, 9.00am  
**Leeston:** Wednesday 5.30pm mass  
**Darfield:** Thursday 10.00am

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**  
Friday after Mass Restarts in February

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 10.00am at Lincoln

A Funeral Mass will replace the advertised mass in the same church.

## **Reminder:**

**Lincoln:** the sighting of 'My Vaccine Pass' is required at the Lincoln **5.30pm Vigil Mass & 8.30am Sunday Mass.**

There is no limit on the number of parishioners at these masses.

**Masks** are not compulsory at these masses, but the Government and Diocese encourages people to wear masks.

With the new variant on the horizon, it is prudent to wear a mask.

**Lincoln: Sunday 11.00am Mass** – is a 'Without My Vaccine Pass' Mass. (Social Distancing and wearing of masks are required at this mass). Anyone can attend this mass.

**Darfield: Sunday 8.30am Mass** is a 'My Vaccine Pass' Mass.

**Leeston: 10.00am Sunday Mass** – is a 'Without My Vaccine Pass' Mass.

**Weekday Masses** are under 'Without My Vaccine Pass' Protocols – as there is fewer than 50 parishioners attending the various masses.

Social Distancing and wearing of masks are required at 'Without My Vaccine Pass' Masses.

Now that the new variant is around, we need to be vigilant.

Weekday Masses:

- Lincoln: Tuesday - Friday, 9.00am
- Leeston: Wednesday masses commences on 2 February, 5.30pm.
- Darfield: Thursday, 10.00am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament resumes in February.

**Fr Chris** is in the Chatham Islands this weekend. He left last Tuesday and returns this Tuesday.

While Fr Chris is absent - Fr Dan Doyle will be the celebrant at the Lincoln 8.30am Mass and the Leeston 10.00am Mass this weekend.

## **RIP**

**Recently Deceased:** Anna Kraak (Lincoln), Eileen Kortegast (Lincoln), Graham Bunz (Halswell), Joan Somerville (Lincoln), Anne Marie Pike (Halswell), Kathleen O'Connor (Westport).

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## Selwyn Parish Picnic: will be held next Sunday, 30 January, beginning at midday with Mass

at Mike & Helena Hanning's Property - **4/1608 West Coast Road, West Melton**. Their property is a couple of kilometers west of West Melton Township. It will be sign posted, there is plenty of parking so follow the signs. We would love a big crowd as Mike and Helena have a fabulous place with plenty of shady areas if required and things for the kids to enjoy as well. Mike is getting some of his vintage cars out to put on display

- entry by Vaccine Pass.
- this will be an extra mass in the Parish.
- BYO food, drinks & chair.
- there will be games for children.



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### Pot-Luck Tea

Fr Brian will celebrate his **40<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of Ordination** on **Saturday 19 February**. He was ordained by Bishop Brian Ashby on 19 February 1982 in Sacred Heart Basilica, Timaru.

There will be a pot-luck tea, following the Saturday Vigil Mass, in the St Patrick's Church Centre, Lincoln, to celebrate this milestone.

BYO something to share & BYO drinks.

### Leeston. St John the Evangelist

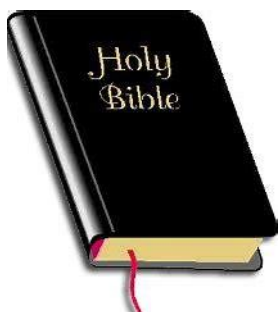
Fr. Brian is celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination in February.

Please join with him for lunch at the Crate & Barrell, Leeston on 27<sup>th</sup> February 11.30 am.

Please put your name on the list at the back of the church or phone Anna 027 235 0869.

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### Study of the Book of Genesis



During 2020 (just after lockdown) I offered, in Lincoln, a 4-week Cook's Tour through the Book of Genesis

This year I am repeating the study as I'm also offering the course in Leeston and Darfield.

Session#1: the sources of the Old Testament.

Session #2: the Reality of Sin

Session #3: Abraham, our Father in Faith.

Session #4: the Jacob and Joseph Sagas.

- **Leeston:** Mondays - 31 January & 7, 21, 28 February, 7.00pm, at the home of Rita & Michael Morley-Bunker, 21 Manse Road.
  - **Darfield:** Sundays - 6, 13, 27 March & 3 April, 7.00pm, in the Darfield Church Centre.
  - **Lincoln:** Mondays 7, 14, 21, 28 March, 7.00pm, in the Lincoln Church Centre.
- Bring a Bible.

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### Baptism Preparation Programme for Parents wishing to have a child Baptised

The first Programme for 2022 for Parents wishing to have a child baptised will be on **Thursdays 10 & 17 February, 7.00pm – 8.15pm**, in the St Patrick's Church Centre.

At the conclusion of the Programme a date is set for the celebration of Baptism.

Enquiries: contact Fr Brian/Chris, or the Parish Office.

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**First Holy Communion Programme** will commence on with the first Parents' Meeting on **Sunday 6 February, 7.00pm** - in St Patrick's Church Centre, Lincoln.

Children who have celebrated their 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> birthday are eligible. The Programme is Parish /Family based with 5 parents meetings and 12 children's worksheets.

To enrol - contact the Parish Office, Frs Brian/Chris, or Margaert Rea.

**Sympathy** and Special intention mass cards are available in the Parish Office or Sacristy. Cost \$2.00



## St Vincent de Paul Selwyn Conference

The joy of giving was definitely felt by our volunteers as we had the pleasure of delivering the beautiful hampers. Our grateful thanks to everyone in the Parish who got behind us and made this possible, Thank you to the team of volunteers who came along to help distribute these.

## Parish Diary & Events.

Friday 4 March – World Day of Prayer at St Patrick's

Tuesday 8 March – International Women's Day Breakfast at local café

Sunday – 13 March – Social Bowls at Lincoln Bowling Club, 10am-12noon. Sausage Sizzle to follow

## Diocesan Items

**WALKING TOGETHER AS CHURCH - we are invited by Pope Francis to engage in this Synod.** *“Celebrating a Synod means walking on the same road, walking together. Let us look at Jesus. First, he encounters the rich man on the road; he then listens to his questions, and finally he helps him discern what he must do to inherit eternal life. Encounter, listen and discern.”*

Discernment processes are happening in parishes and in addition to this we want to offer two opportunities to gather with others to encounter, listen and discern together, including small group conversation.

\* Tuesday 15 February 6.30pm to 9.00pm

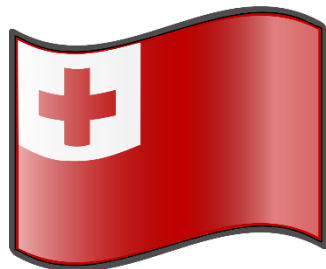
\* or Sunday 6 March 6.30pm to 9.00pm, at *Christ the King Centre*, Burnside.

Please register by emailing [jclarke@cdoc.nz](mailto:jclarke@cdoc.nz); or phone 366-9869.

More info about the Synod can be found at [www.chchcatholic.nz/synod](http://www.chchcatholic.nz/synod); or contact Mike Stopforth 0275398542, email [mstopforth@cdoc.nz](mailto:mstopforth@cdoc.nz)

**Valentines Day Mass:** Monday 14 February, 6.30pm @ St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, celebrated by Archbishop Paul.

**Caritas Tonga Appeal** – the Catholic Agency for Relief and Development Assistance - has open an Appeal to respond to the devastating situation in Tonga.



**Donations** can be made to **Caritas** online through the Pacific Relief Fund: ([www.caritas.org.nz/donate-online](http://www.caritas.org.nz/donate-online)) or via their bank account 03-0518-0211216-00 (please include first & last name and put Tonga as the code).

Alternatively, parishioners may place an envelope in the Collection Basket and the Parish will forward the donation to *Caritas*.

‘They came from near and far to visit the infant child!’  
Wonderful Nativity play at St John the Evangelist.





Another great pre-Christmas clean up at St John the Evangelist. Thank you to our merry band of gardeners and of course for the great morning tea.

