

SELWYN CATHOLIC PARISH

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<https://chchcatholic.nz>

Palm / Passion Sunday 10th April 2022.

Readings

Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Luke 23:1-49



WEEKEND MASSES

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

Darfield: Sunday – 9.00am
Leeston: Sunday - 10.00am

Weekday Masses:

Lincoln: Tuesday- Wednesday 9.00am
Leeston: Wednesday 5.30pm
Darfield: Thursday No Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Friday after Mass until Midday

Reconciliation: Saturday 10.00am at Lincoln

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

New Zealand is still at the 'Red Light' Setting.

So, we are still restricted to 200 people within an inside venue.
However, the 'Vaccine Pass' requirement has been removed.
So, this weekend - Palm Sunday - parishioners will no longer require
'Vaccine Passes' to attend Weekend Masses.
However, the wearing of masks is still required.

Let's wait and hope for changes to the Government's protocols on Holy Thursday.

We will retain the 11.00am Lincoln Sunday Mass until Easter Sunday (inclusive).
After Easter we will just have the 8.30am mass in Lincoln.

There will be **no Newsletter** for Easter Weekend or on Sunday 24 April.

RIP

Recently Deceased: Jan McMurtrie (Rolleston); Michael Moore (West Melton);

Prayers for the sick: Fr Benito Velasco

First Holy Communion Programme

4th Parents' Meeting: this Sunday, 10 April, 7.00pm, in the Lincoln Church Centre. The topic will be 'The Sacraments'.

Lenten Celebration of Reconciliation

Leeston: there will be an opportunity for Reconciliation after mass on Sunday, 10 April.

Caritas Lenten Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Money from this annual Appeal goes towards the Catholic Church's relief and development work in foreign countries. Please take a pack of envelopes. They may be returned weekly or in one offering.
Alternatively – the envelopes also give Caritas' bank number.



Copies of **Inform** are available at the respective church porches.

Holy Week Timetable

The **Chrism Mass** at St Mary's pro-cathedral has been postponed for a month.

Tuesday & Wednesday: Lincoln Masses: 9.00am

Wednesday: Leeston Mass: 5.30pm



Fr Chris will be going to the Chatham Islands for Easter;
Fr Dan Doyle will be helping in the Selwyn Parish.

We require extra Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist over the Easter Triduum – please sign-up on the notice board in the Lincoln Narthex.

The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Darfield: 7.00pm; **Lincoln:** 7.00pm

Lincoln: at the end of mass, there will be an opportunity for prayer, for about 30 minutes, at **the Altar of Repose.**

At the end of mass there is a procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose - this is to represent Jesus going to the Garden of Gethsemane prior to his arrest.

Good Friday – Commemoration of the Lord's Passion.

Leeston: midday; **Darfield:** 3.00pm; **Lincoln:** 3.00pm

On Good Friday - there is a **Retiring Collection for the Holy Places.**

This intention is to support the churches & shrines in the Holy Land that the Catholic Church has the responsibility to maintain. (There are no charges for pilgrims who visit the Holy Land to enter churches and shrines).

Lincoln Ecumenical Good Friday Service: this year will **start at the Union Church, 10.00am, on James Street, and proceed to the Baptist Church** (or just gather at the Baptist Church if you don't want to walk with the Cross).

The Baptist Church has been chosen as it has more space to allow for 'Social Distancing' for a larger group. Masks are required.

If the weather is wet - then just gather at the Baptist Church at 10.00am.

The Service will be focusing on the 'Last Words of Jesus from the Cross'.

This year – there will be **NO** Morning Tea & Hot Cross Buns.

Easter Vigil – mass of the Resurrection.

The Easter Vigil begins with the Blessing of the Fire at the church entrance.

Lincoln: 7.00pm (NO 5.30pm Mass on 16 April).

Parishioners are invited to the presbytery after the Vigil Mass for some '**Easter Cheer**'.

Easter Sunday

Lincoln: 8.30am; 11.00am;

Darfield: 9.00am;

Leeston: 10.00am

Easter Week

There will be **NO mass on Easter Tuesday, 19 April.**

Wednesday – Friday, of Easter Week, will be the normal mass time schedule in the Parish.

Lincoln: there will be mass on **Anzac Day** at 9.00am. (The Lincoln Anzac Service will be a reduced commemoration this year - with an outdoor Service at the Memorial at 2.00pm.

Food-Bank: non-perishable Food Donations: a reminder to Selwyn Parishioners to please leave any non-perishable food items in the boxes provided in the 3 churches.

The Catholic Diocese of Christchurch wishes to share a **special edition** of the **Inform magazine** exclusively on the new Christchurch Catholic Cathedral. This includes concept designs and plans of the precinct. *The* Diocesan Office has asked the Selwyn Parish Office to share your postal details with the Diocesan Office. If you do not consent, and wish to opt-out of any communications, please let the Parish Office know by Friday 22 April by email at selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com.

Urgent Request - for projector operators at our weekend Masses especially 8.30am Sunday. Please let Tricia Smith know if you can help tric1948@gmail.com Training will be given.

St Vincent de Paul Selwyn. Thank you to everyone who has made financial donations to the society since our inception in July last year. Your generosity has helped a number of families in the district. For those wanting a Tax Receipt, please email us at secretary@svdpselwyn.org.nz Once again your support is appreciated.

Safeguarding: Selwyn Parish puts a high priority on maintaining the safety of both its volunteers and those who attend our churches. We greatly appreciate the volunteers who willingly give of their time to various ministries.

Selwyn Parish has a nominated Parish Safeguarding Contact who is:

Jean Hindley jeanhindley221@gmail.com 037412246

She supports the Parish Priest in overseeing all activities, concerns and procedures relating to safeguarding. Her name and details are also displayed on the posters on the various noticeboards.

Safeguarding Workshops

For those volunteers who have yet to attend a Workshop, the next ones are as follows:

Venue: St Theresa's Riccarton—approximately 1 hour Wednesday 4th May at 1pm Tuesday 10th May at 7pm.

Please register with Clodagh Ward, the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer cward@cdoc.nz

Parish Diary & Events.

Darfield: Morning Tea will held in the Parish centre after Mass this Sunday.

Lincoln Catholic Women's League meeting for April is on this Monday 11th April in the parish centre with the meeting starting at 1 pm and then we have Father Dan Doyle coming to talk to us so parishioners are most welcome. A reminder to our members to bring their gift for the Mother's Day hamper for the raffle.

Lincoln Prayer Group. The prayer group based at Lincoln meets weekly every Wednesday 7.00pm-8.30pm in the Parish Centre. Be supported as you grow in exercising your spiritual gifts through prayer, intercession, praise and worship, with reflections on church teachings. All welcome whether vaccinated or not as covid guidelines regarding social distancing and mask wearing are supported. For more details contact Marge Newbury phone 338 6793, or leave a message for her at the parish office.

Diocesan Items

Assistance for Ha'apai Parish in Tonga

A project being led by Caritas and the Christchurch Tongan community is being organised to send a container to Tonga to provide needed materials to the Ha'apai Parish and schools.

They are looking for donations of the following:

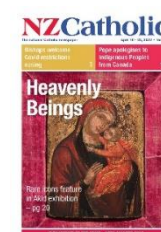
- Breakfast food and any non-perishable food items
- Large pots, plates, cups, bowls
- School supplies: school text books, school bags, exercise books, pencils, rulers, A4 papers and any stationery.
- Shoes (sport or walking)
- Fabric: light blue, white and bright orange
- White blouses

The final day for packing the container is 30th April.

If you are able to donate please contact Sr Monika Mo'ale RSM by phoning 021 113 2448 or 349 9540

Latest edition of **NZCatholic** is available on line:

<https://indd.adobe.com/view/f48230de-86ce-46ce-8d55-5dcdef6650b8>



The **Catholic Enquiry Centre** has created a new website - especially for non-Catholics seeking the peace and comfort that faith brings. The website – www.catholicdiscovery.nz – builds on the work the Catholic Enquiry Centre has traditionally done using booklets and postal correspondence to reach people interested in the Church.

Details: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/cathdiscovery-website/>

Villa Maria College – Open Day: Wednesday 25 May 9.00am – 2.30pm.

Principal Deborah Brosnahan and student leaders will address visitors in the auditorium at 9.00am and 1.00pm for Year 9 intake; and 11.00am for Year 7 intake. www.villa.school.nz

A **CDF (Catholic Development Fund) Funeral Savings Account** allows you to invest in the good works of the Diocese now, and secures peace of mind for you and your family. Contact: 0800 403 863; www.cdf.org.nz

The PPRE Children have been doing some Easter Crafts.

