



SELWYN CATHOLIC PARISH

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<https://chchcatholic.nz>

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th September 2022.**

Readings

Amos 6:1-7

1 Timothy 6:11-16

Luke 16:19-31



WEEKEND MASSES

Lincoln: Saturday Vigil - 5.30pm
Sunday - 8.30am

Darfield: Sunday - 8.30am

Leeston: Sunday - 10.00am

Weekday Masses:

Lincoln: Tuesday - Friday, 9.00am

Leeston: Wednesday 5.30pm

Darfield: Thursday 10.00am

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.

Put your clock forward on Saturday night

Darfield: reminder that when we move to Daylight Saving **this Sunday**

- **25 September** -

Sunday mass reverts to 8.30am.



From Fr Brian:

Rolleston Questionnaire: several weeks ago, a questionnaire on options for a Rolleston Mass were sent to Rolleston Parishioners.

There were 92 responses ... which when you think that there are ~200 families in Rolleston who are on the Selwyn Parish Roll - this is a ~50% response - which is excellent.

About 60% of those who replied preferred a 11.00am mass.

The Parish Leadership Team is still investigating options. We will have to find a suitable venue. The Anglican church in Brookside Road is too small for current fire regulations etc.

We also need to advertise in 'Our Lady of Victories' - as several families attend mass in Sockburn.

We plan to hold an **Alpha Course** during 2023. This is a 12-week Faith Refection/Sharing Programme. We will have a speaker at masses during October to introduce the Course. Many parishes are running Alpha Courses - and comments have been very favourable.

Wanted: a computer whiz-person to correct the data project in the Lincoln Church Centre. There is an 'overprint' that I can't get rid of.

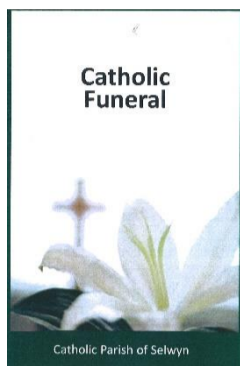
Warning: some parishioners have received a **scam email** from 'Fr Brian Fennessy' - with a nice biblical quote. The email address is churchcare339@gmial.com ... ignore it/delete it/do not open.

The Feast of St Francis of Assisi.

To mark his Feast Day - I will show a DVD on his life, produced by Bishop Robert Barron, in the Lincoln Church Centre, on Wednesday 5 October, beginning at 1.30pm. If there is an interest - I can show a few other DVDs on various saints.



An Advent Reflection Day with Fr John O'Connor is being planned for Saturday 3rd December in the Lincoln Church Centre, 10.30am – 3.00pm (Bring BYO Lunch)



Funeral Planning

The Parish has prepared a Guide to assist parishioners to plan their funeral.

There are more copies in the porch.

The booklet provides an opportunity to list information about you and your wishes for your funeral.

RIP

Recently Deceased: Megan Penrose (Rolleston); Sr Marie Poff RSM; Myra Saunders (Halswell), Bernadette Sherwin (Ireland).

Anniversary: Madeleine McCleary (Timaru). Vivien Rowe. Arthur Healy.

Caritas has sent a letter of appreciation to the Selwyn Parish for their contribution towards the Lenten Collection.

The Selwyn Parish donated \$3,082 towards the Lenten Collection. A total of \$772,068 was donated by Catholics parishioners throughout NZ.

The money goes towards the Church's development and relief work throughout the world.

At Craft and Friendship Lincoln we are doing some things a little different.

On the 4th of October and 11th October at 1.30pm. Joan will show how to make Collage Book. It will be hands on, and we ask for a small donation to cover materials. Please note change of Date.

On the 18th of October at 1.30pm. Yvonne will show how to make a folded book Christmas tree. You will need to bring a hard covered book. If you haven't got one, I suggest you make a visit to an op shop. etc. Just make sure you don't want to read it later.

Remember you can do whatever you like at our afternoons or nothing at all and come just for some company and to get to know people.



Lincoln Sacristans – please prayerfully consider taking on this Ministry. You can volunteer for this role as an individual or a couple. Urgently required for both Vigil & Sunday Mass.

Lincoln Projector Operators – urgently required again for both our Masses – especially Saturday Vigil Mass.

Lincoln Sunday Cuppas – Every Sunday morning after 8.30am Mass we have a cuppa and a chat, in the church centre. This gives us the opportunity to get to know one another socially and meet new parishioners. We are desperate for helpers to host the cuppa and look after the kitchen. All you need to bring is milk. You can bake if you wish, but there are always biscuits in the cupboard. If you are able to help, please write your name and contact on the list on the bench in the kitchen.

Lincoln: Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. 9.30am to 11.00am private adoration. 11.00am to Midday. Scripture Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Angelus, interspersed by hymns to the Blessed Sacrament, and ending with the blessing.

NEXT SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP DATES:

Monday 10th October – 10.30am – St Marys Pro Cathedral, Manchester St. Venue: Assisi Lounge

Monday 10th October – 7pm – St Marys Pro Cathedral, Manchester St. Venue: Narthex

Who is required to attend: Leaders and volunteers from any parish.

Volunteers who have not yet attended a Safeguard Workshop. It is recommended that if you have not been to a Safeguarding Workshop in the last two years you attend this new and updated safeguarding workshop.

Attending these safeguard workshops is a requirement of volunteering/ministering in every parish in our Diocese. Leaders, please encourage all volunteers you are responsible for to meet this safeguarding training requirement. You do not need to RSVP, just turn up and sign in. There is an option to register your attendance in advance on this link should you wish to: <https://parishresources.chchcatholic.nz/safe-church/safeguarding-course-registration/>

Facilitator: Contact: Clodagh Ward – Christchurch Diocese Safeguarding Officer

Email: cward@cdoc.nz Mobile: [022 0124142](tel:0220124142)

Carmelite Retreat: "Mystical Love with our Carmelite Saints".

Fr Carl Telford SM. will lead the upcoming silent retreat at Rochester Hall on Friday 18 -Sunday 20 November.

Costs: \$240 live-in, or day only \$120.

RSVP: Megan Emery ph. 027 410 6940; email benedictus@windowlive.com

The Missions Sisters are having their annual Appeal to support their Missions in India & Senegal. There are flyers in the church porch. Please take one.

Job Vacancies – St Vincent de Paul

Driver/Storeman/Logistics. Monday-Friday 8.30am-4.30pm

For the full Role Description or to make enquiries please contact SVdP General Manager - Robyn Casey on 0274-740-048 or email robyn@svdpchch.co.nz

VOCATIONS: Anyone who wants to talk about vocations to the priesthood, please contact Fr. Tien Cao, the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Christchurch. Email: vocations.chch@gmail.com or explore the seminary website: www.holycross.org.nz

Ablaze Parish Renewal Conference – registrations open.

Registrations are now open for **Ablaze**. The Conference being held on Friday 4 November (evening) and Saturday 5 November – it is the Conference to look at parish renewal.

Ablaze will include great keynote speakers, workshops, worship, and time to connect with others from across the whole diocese.

Registrations can now be made on our Ablaze website, www.chchcatholic.nz/ablaze.

If you would like to attend - then please contact either Fr Brian or Tricia Smith.

Spaces are limited so register now.

For more information contact the Bishop's Pastoral Office, 3669869 ; email pastoral@chch.catholic.org.nz

SVDP - Expression of Interest – Property Management position/ Social Housing

The Society of St Vincent de Paul along with St John of God Hauora Trust will be providing social housing to young vulnerable families in Richmond, Christchurch. This initiative is a special project of the St Vincent de Paul Society.

It is envisaged that the position would be flexible part time (10 hours per week) The ideal appointee will have strong interpersonal and administrative skills. A knowledge of Property and Tenancy management would be an advantage.

For further information & Job Description contact: Mary Brady mbrady@svdpchch.co.nz

'GOLDEN CATHOLICS': 'Christ the King', 11.00 am, Friday, 7 October.

Join Bishop Michael and senior parishioners for mass, before hearing about the Bishop's latest visit to Rome to participate in the 'Seminar for New Bishops.'

A light lunch will follow in the Parish Centre. (The event is free).

Numbers are limited, so please RSVP for catering purposes: email: receptionists@cdoc.nz or phone 366 9869.

By way of background: 'Golden Catholics' started about 7 years ago after noticing a gap in communication with the senior generation - it was thought it would be good to invite retired parishioners together 2 - 3 times a year for a light lunch and to chat about what was happening in the diocese.

God Love's You Tour: The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association is holding an event with Franklin Graham (son of Billy Graham) on Saturday 12 November at the Christchurch Arena.

The Diocese is working towards having a Catholic presence at this event. A Christian Life and Witness training session is being held on Wednesday 19 October, 6.45pm at St Joseph Pastoral Centre, Papanui. If you would like to register for this training - please contact Mike Stopforth 0275398542 or email mstopforth@cdoc.nz or Brendan Woodnutt 359-1438 email evangelisation@christchurchnorth.org.nz

There are flyers in the church porch.

RIP Queen Elizabeth II



During her Christmas Message in the Year 2000, Queen Elizabeth said:

'To many of us, our beliefs are of fundamental importance. For me the teachings of Christ and my own personal accountability before God provide a framework in which I try to lead my life.

I, like so many of you, have drawn great comfort in difficult times from Christ's words and example.'

May she Rest in Peace.

King Charles III has not hidden his deep faith in Jesus.

May King Charles receive strength from his Christian Faith and Jesus' Call to Service.

