

# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF SELWYN

Incorporating the churches of: St Joseph's, Darfield: St John the Evangelist, Leeston:  
St Patrick's, Lincoln and including parishioners from the Rolleston area.



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The Christchurch Diocesan Website:  
[www.chchcatholic.nz](http://www.chchcatholic.nz)

## 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

9 July 2023.

### Readings

**Zechariah 9:9-10**

**Romans 8: 9-13**

**Matthew 11:25-30**



## WEEKEND MASSES

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

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

### Weekday Masses:

**Lincoln:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday  
9.00am

**Leeston:** No Wednesday mass until  
Mid-August

**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.

## Notes:

- ❖ Due to pressure on Bishop Michael's diary - the date for the **Confirmation Mass** has been changed - it will now be **Saturday 2 December, 7.00pm**. This will be an extra Mass for Confirmation – in order to accommodate the number of candidates and their families & friends.
- ❖ There will be **NO Newsletter** next weekend – 'Matariki Weekend'.
- ❖ **Fr Dan Doyle** will be helping-out in the Selwyn Parish for the next 2 months. This Sunday he will celebrate the Lincoln morning mass and Leeston mass.
- ❖ **Bishop Michael** will be attending the **World Youth Day Pilgrimage to Portugal** from 15 July - 8 August. Of the 120 NZ pilgrims, 37 are from the Christchurch Diocese, including 3 priests: Frs Tien Cao, Monty Bamford, Michael-Therese Scheerger.

## Journey to Catholic Faith Programme – 'Order of Catholic Initiation of Adults'

The **Selwyn Parish** will commence another 'Journey to Catholic Faith' for adults who wish to become Catholic towards the end August/beginning September.

We will meet weekly, except during the School Holidays, however, I realise that this is a big commitment - and volunteers may often have other activities.

So far, there are 8 adults interested in the Programme.

In the meantime – we're looking for **parishioners who may wish to be part of the Team** – to accompany the candidates on their Journey and join in the discussion - there are 4 parishioners returning to the Team from the previous Programme.

Contact Fr Brian if you'd like to join the Team. It is a great Programme - as parishioners accompany candidates along their journey to Catholic Faith.

Also, if you know of an adult who is contemplating becoming a Catholic - please inform them of this 'Journey to Catholic Faith Programme'.

The Selwyn Parish has a subscription to '**Formed**' - an online Catholic Resource Service. It is like a 'Catholic Netflix'.

It has some excellent programmes for adults and children.

How to register – **it is free** - go to:

- <https://formed.org/signup>
- enter **Selwyn Parish**
- enter **your name and email**
- **save** The top bar gives various topics to look at.

**SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP in the Selwyn Parish:**

**All Selwyn Parish Volunteers - please mark one of these dates on your calendar**

- + Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm - 8.30pm – St Patrick’s Church Centre, Lincoln.
- + Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July after Sunday Mass, 10.00am – Darfield Church Centre.
- + Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm – 8.30pm – St Patrick’s Church Centre, Lincoln.

**Who is required to attend?**

**All Volunteers in Parish ministries**, regardless of role, eg Ministers of the Eucharist, Communion to the Sick, PPRE & Children’s Liturgy of the Word etc.

If you have not been to a Safeguarding Workshop in the last three years, please attend 1 of these options within the Selwyn Parish – this includes Catholic groups active with Selwyn Parish: eg. Catholic Women’s League, St Vincent de Paul members, Legion of Mary.

If you are new to volunteering and wish to gain an understanding of what safeguarding is about in our parish communities (before you attend the workshop) you can view a short video clip on this link, but attendance at the workshop is still required.

<https://safeguarding.catholic.org.nz/safeguarding/formation-and-training/>

- Selwyn Parish Safeguarding Representative – Janet Cummings - email: [jan.bern@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jan.bern@xtra.co.nz)
- Workshop Facilitator: Clodagh Ward (Christchurch Diocese Safeguarding Officer) [cward@cdoc.nz](mailto:cward@cdoc.nz); mobile: 0220124142

I encourage parishioners to attend this workshop in either Lincoln or Darfield.

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**Presentation on the work of Dr Edric Baker: Sunday 30 July** - following Morning Tea, after the 8.30am Lincoln Mass - to promote Kate Day's book *‘Call Me Brother’* which is about the late Dr Edric Baker and the Kailakuri Healthcare Centre which he established in Bangladesh. This mission was promoted in the Lincoln Parish several years ago. There will be 2 speakers to launch the book. The book will be available @\$25.00  
Contact: Helen Gallagher & Jeanette O’Donnell.

**Seeking interest for Volunteers in Prison Ministry**

Years-gone-by there have been parishioners who have been part of a Team to visit one of the local Prisons. Aarii Taimataora, the Regional Chaplaincy Manager of the Southern Region – will speak to parishioners, about forming a Team of prison volunteers.

As you know - there are Safeguarding and Security Protocols that need to be followed.

She will speak on 2 occasions:

- \* **after the Vigil mass on Saturday 22 July, 6.30pm**, in the Lincoln Church Centre.
- \* **and after morning tea on Sunday 23 July, 10.00am**, in the Lincoln Church Centre.

Her presentations will take about 30+ minutes, plus questions/discussion.

Attending the Presentation doesn’t commit parishioners to joining the Team.

However, it would be a ‘blessing’ if there are a handful of Selwyn Parishioners who may like to visit the prisons, in accompaniment with chaplains.

Cards advertising the **Catholic Hospital Chaplains** at Christchurch Public Hospital, Hilmorton Hospital, and Burwood Hospital are at the entrance to the 3 churches.

Due to the Privacy Laws – chaplains often don’t know who is in hospital. If you, or a family member wishes to see a Catholic Chaplain in Hospital - then take a card – so you can contact them.

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**Darfield:** Morning Tea after Mass this Sunday



**Lincoln Catholic Women's League:** July is Birthday month for the Lincoln Catholic Women's League. This year we celebrate 56 years of Faith and Service, formally in the Lincoln Parish and now in Selwyn Parish. To celebrate this year, we are having lunch at the Good Home Restaurant in Prebbleton - 12:00noon on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July. If you would like to join us, please contact Colleen McKay 0274424116 or [mckayearthmovers@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mckayearthmovers@xtra.co.nz)

**Craft and Friendship** on Tuesday July the 18th at 1.30pm we have fibre Artist **Loretta Sloan** coming from **The House of Felt.** [houseoffeltnz@gmail.com](mailto:houseoffeltnz@gmail.com)

She will run a short class teaching how to felt and making a small project. The cost is \$20 paid on the day. Should be fun!! Remember all are welcome.

Enquiries to Yvonne 0273341151 or 3669795

We are also looking for wool to make Prayer Blankets. Any Donations would be greatly appreciated.

**Prayer Blankets** are given to the sick and those who are going through a distressing period of their lives.

They are Blessed at mass and from then on, the person is kept in our prayers. Contact Yvonne 366 9795 or 027 334 1151 if you would like one for someone or for yourself.

**Race Night at Addington – JPII Fundraiser – early notice Friday 1 September – mark your diaries now.**

**Legion of Mary (Mother of Mercy)** All Catholics of the Selwyn parish are invited to join our meeting's, held Saturday 3.30 pm to 4.45pm in Lincoln Catholic Church centre. For further information contact Catherine 027 356 0916

**Lincoln Prayer Group:** The prayer group will meet on Wednesday evening from 7.00pm-8.30pm in the Lincoln Church Centre. Be supported as you grow in exercising your spiritual gifts through prayer, Intercession, praise and worship, with reflections on church teachings. All age groups welcome. For more Details contact Marge Newburry phone 338 6793, or leave a message for her at the parish office.

**Lost property:** Narthex – Pagan Charcoal fluffy Vest Zip front Size 14.

In the Kitchen – large white towel, Large - Aqua flask dark green, North South Merino jumper size 14 black with gold glitter. If not collected these will be donated to SVDP

**Marian Movement of Priests: this Sunday, 9 July, at Sacred Heart Church, Addington:** beginning at 5.30pm for the prayer cenacles. Mass will be at 6.00pm, led by Fr Donal McIlraith.

On Monday 10 July, 4.00pm, a cenacle will be held at Nazareth House, 220 Brougham Street. Contact: Trish Baugh 325-7472.

**Feast of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Mass – next Sunday 16 July, 2.00pm, at the Carmelite Monastery.** Mons Rick Loughnan will be the celebrant. Afternoon Tea after mass.

**Accountant for Diocese:** the Diocese of Christchurch has a Vacancy for an experienced accountant. This part-time position offers 22 hours/week, providing an opportunity to utilise your expertise in a flexible work environment. Responsibilities would include effectively managing the financial and accounting services of the Diocese.

For more information/to apply, click on the link below:

<https://www.seek.co.nz/job/68378030?type=standout#sol=453eaaf3d08efcba227fab1e25a41577e40f87de>

**Vacancy: Fundraising and Development Manager:**The Catholic Diocese of Christchurch is seeking a dynamic and experienced individual to join our team as the Fundraising and Development Manager. This newly created role is a key position within the Senior Leadership Team, responsible for leading fundraising at the Diocese, maximising fundraising revenue and managing a successful fundraising team.

Applications close: Sunday 16 July.

Information/Apply – visit: [www.chchcatholic.nz/employment-vacancies](http://www.chchcatholic.nz/employment-vacancies)



**Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School:** is back again this summer with ten days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community.

For young adults aged 18 to 35 who want to know more about their faith, have an authentic encounter with Christ and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. Join us this year at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton, from 29 December until 7 January 2024. Registrations: [www.heartsaflame.org.nz](http://www.heartsaflame.org.nz)

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### From our European Correspondent – Fr Chris

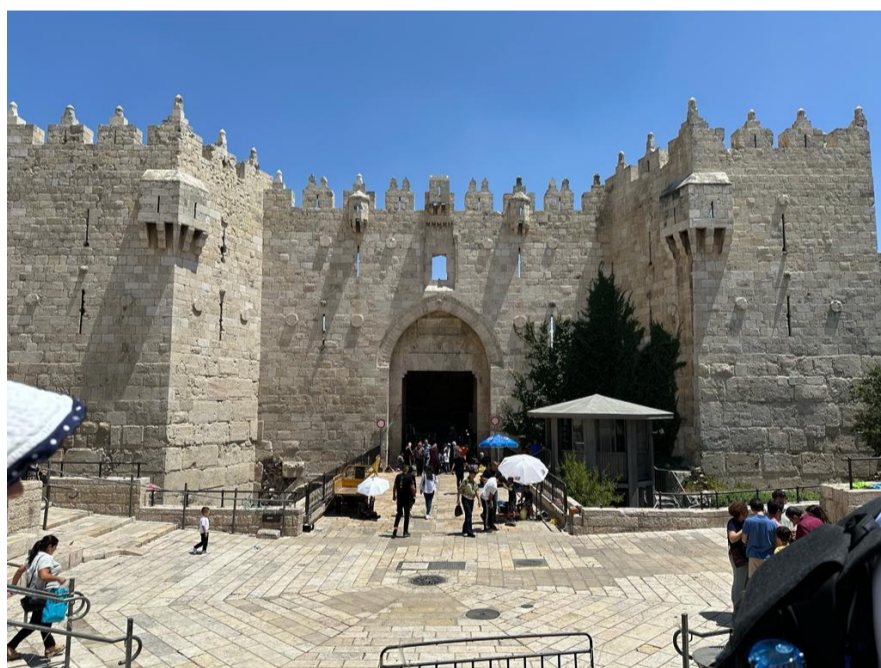
Hi Everyone

Greetings from Jerusalem, Israel.

Last Saturday I arrived in Israel to begin a 4 week program at *Tantur Ecumenical Institute*. I am part of an international group of 12, with people from the USA, Canada, Korea, UK, Australia & NZ. We come from a range of different Christian denominations with most of us being Pastors. On my 1st day here I walked to Bethlehem which is just 10 minutes away. Bethlehem is in the Palestinian area & you have to go through a check point. It is a bit intimidating as there is a huge concrete wall which marks the border. I can't help but feel sad for the Palestinians who live behind the wall. The following day I caught a bus to the Old Jerusalem City & attended a Bazantine Mass which was in Arabic. It was very different to Mass in NZ with a lot of incense & chanting. Afterwards I went to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. This is considered to be the holiest site in the world for Christians as it contains the site where Jesus was crucified & Jesus' empty tomb. It was moving to be there & I look forward to visiting again during my stay to celebrate Mass & spend time in prayer & reflection. I have wished to visit the Holy Land for many years & it is wonderful to be in Jesus' homeland. Thanks to those who have been in contact: I enjoy hearing how people are. Take good care & know that you are all in my prayers.



Church of the Holy Sepulchre – Jerusalem



Damascus Gate – Old City of Jerusalem



Graffiti on the Bethlehem Wall .  
(Bethlehem side of the the Wall)