

# 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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<https://selwyncatholic.nz/>

<https://www.facebook.com/selwyncatholicparish>

The Christchurch Diocesan Website:  
<https://cdoc.nz/>

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

**13 August 2023.**

### Readings

**1 Kings 19:9-13**

**Romans 9:1-5**

**Matthew 14:22-33**



## WEEKEND MASSES

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

**Darfield:** Sunday – 9.00am  
**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.

## Notes:

❖ **Leeston Wednesday mass** will recommence this Wednesday, 16 August, 5.30pm.

❖ **Tuesday** is the **Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** into Heaven. This is New Zealand's National Patronal Feast. Mass will be at 9.00am in Lincoln.

❖ We will transfer this Feast in **Leeston to the Wednesday Mass;** and in **Darfield to the Thursday Mass.**

❖ There will be **NO Wednesday mass, on 16 August** in Lincoln.

❖ There will be a **Communion Service in Lincoln on Friday 18 August.**

❖ **This year's insurance account** for the Selwyn Parish - for the properties in Lincoln/Leeston/Darfield - has been received - it is \$32,384.97 + GST. This is a good percentage of the Parish's income.

❖ We need 3 - 4 parishioners to serve as '**emergency wardens**' in the Lincoln Church. This is to supervise evacuation of the church in the case of a fire/earthquake. Training will be provided. Please contact Fr Brian – if you are able to assist.

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**Next Baptismal Preparation Programme for parents** wishing to have a child baptised will be on **Sundays 20 & 27 August, 7.00pm – 8.15pm**, in St Patrick's Church Centre, Lincoln. Contact the Parish Office: [selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com](mailto:selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com) to enrol.



**Prison Visitor Volunteers** - following-on from the meeting 2 weekends ago, for parishioners interested in visiting the local prisons, Monica Reeve, the Catholic Chaplain at Christchurch Women's Prison will lead a follow-up meeting for prospective volunteers. We had 9 parishioners who expressed an interest. At this meeting Monica will guide parishioners in filling-out the Forms to become a volunteer. For those who are unable to attend this meeting – Monica will instruct me to take them through the website. Anyone else who may be interested in visiting the prisons, on a roster, are welcome to come to this meeting. A chaplain will lead the Ecumenical Services – so parishioners don't have to organise the Services.

## Journey to Catholic Faith Programme

There is a **Planning Meeting** of parishioners who have volunteered for the 'Journey to Catholic Faith' Team on **Monday, 14 August, 7.00pm** in the St Patrick's Church Centre.

Contact Fr Brian if you'd like to join the Team or come to the Planning Meeting.

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.

## RIP

**Recently deceased:** Rosemarie O'Carroll (ex-West Melton); Marian Moore (Rangiora). Jim Mohekey (Woolston)

**Mass:** Special Intention – Job Opportunity.

**2024 Calendars:** some calendars with photos of local Catholic Churches are available in the church porch.

Payment may be made by writing your name on an envelope with the \$20 enclosed; or text: 0211631964 to get Rachel's bank number for internet banking.

This is a fund raising enterprise by Rachel van der Plas to go on a Catholic pilgrimage to Australia at the end of the year.

## John Paul II Centre for Life Race Night

Join us on **Friday 1 September in the Silks Room at Addington Raceway** for an evening of fun and help support the work of the 'JP II Centre for Life'.

Tickets are \$60 per person which includes entry and a two-course meal with cash bar available.

Book your ticket at <https://jp2.org.nz/community-events/> or contact

Theresa on [director@jp2.org.nz](mailto:director@jp2.org.nz) or 022 503 9249. For more information - Contact Matt: [moconnell@cdoc.nz](mailto:moconnell@cdoc.nz)

It is a really fun night, so do consider coming along. I have booked at this stage two tables for the Selwyn Parish with Matt O'Connell. If you would like to attend, please contact me to reserve a ticket. More detail re payment later. Email: [tric1948@gmail.com](mailto:tric1948@gmail.com)

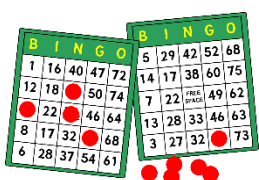


**Race Night Sponsorship** JP II Centre for life are looking for 3 or 4 parishioners prepared to contribute \$500 each to sponsor a race for the Selwyn Parish. Please let Tricia Smith know asap [tric1948@gmail.com](mailto:tric1948@gmail.com)

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



**August Lincoln Catholic Women's League Meeting** – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023.11:00am – Meeting, followed by 12:15pm - Soup & Savoury Lunch and at 1:00pm - a Game of Saints BINGO. All ladies of the Parish are most welcome to join us for Lunch and a fun afternoon. You will be guaranteed to learn a few things about the Saints, and have a few laughs as well.



**Housie / Bingo for August:** All parishioners are invited to come and enjoy the fun each Wednesday in August

There are 3 more Wednesdays left so give it a go and we are sure you will fun with lots of laughs. Cards are \$10 with extra cards \$1 each and we will give you afternoon tea



**Darfield Thursday Mass 10am** – I will once again be going to this Mass on Thursday 24 August and will have 3 spare seats in the car if you would like to come with me. Following Mass will be coffee at the Fat Beagle. Please let me know if you would like a ride. Tricia Smith [tric1948@gmail.com](mailto:tric1948@gmail.com)

**Craft and Friendship:** Tuesday 1.30pm to 3.30pm on Lincoln Church centre. 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.

**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.

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*Congratulations*

**SELWYN AWARDS** Congratulations to our parishioners who received Awards at last Saturday night's Gala Event. Mike Noonan received the Heritage Category Award, Mary Cameron a Bronze in the Heritage Category also. In the Volunteering Category, John McCartin received a Gold Award

as did Abbeyfield Ellesmere.

Abbeyfield Ellesmere, situated in Leeston, is loosely referred to as 'flating for the elderly'. We have a purpose-built house with 14 suites each with their own ensuite. Kitchen facilities, large dining area and lounge for residents. All meals are provided. Potential residents need to be able to care for themselves but no longer wish to live alone. This wonderful facility is available for less than your Superannuation with living alone allowance, which you are entitled to. Residents from the Selwyn area and further afield are welcome. Along with other dedicated members, there are five parishioners on the Abbeyfield Committees, Jackie Cochrane, Kathleen McMahan, Robyn Casey, Pat McEvedy and Anna Carter. Congratulations to you all, after years of jolly hard work you now provide a safe, warm, and happy home for our seniors.

Enquiries: Anna 027 235 0869

'**Antioch**' is a 'Faith Experience' for youth in Years 9 - 13. The next **Antioch Weekend** will be at Woodend Christian Camp over 22-24 September. There are flyers in the church porch. The Weekend is facilitated by the Catholic Youth Team.

**The Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions Appeal:** invite you to share in their missionary outreach in Vietnam and Myanmar by donating to their Mission Appeal. Details of these two missions are to be found in the pamphlets that are available at the church entrance. We thank you in advance for your ongoing support. Sister Kathleen Prendergast .

**CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK:** hosts St Thomas of Canterbury College teacher and rugby legend, Mark Hammett, on Thursday 7 September at Te Pae Convention Centre from midday. Hear insights into how Mark has combined the skills accumulated from his rugby career to create better outcomes in the field of education and sport and enjoy a networking lunch at Christchurch's premier event space. Find out more at [www.cbn.nz](http://www.cbn.nz)

**St Joseph's Catholic Church Dannevirke - Celebrating 125 years:** 14 & 15 October. Jubilee Mass & luncheon on Saturday 14 October; special Mass Sunday 15 October. We invite past parishioners to celebrate this occasion. Register: [stjodvke@xtra.co.nz](mailto:stjodvke@xtra.co.nz)

**GOLDEN CATHOLICS - WELCOMING HOME OUR WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMS.**

Join us for Mass at 11.00am, 8 September, at 'Christ the King', Burnside before our travellers share their experiences of the pilgrimage. Bishop Michael will explain how valuable *World Youth Day* was in bringing young people of the Diocese together with the Pope to celebrate Mass and our Catholic Faith. A light lunch will follow. Please rsvp by 4 September. Ph: 366-9869 or email [receptionists@cdoc.nz](mailto:receptionists@cdoc.nz)



## HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CONTACTS:

Hospitals no longer provide names of Catholic patients to our chaplains.

If there is someone from your family going to hospital please advise the chaplain.

- **Christchurch Hospital:** Angela McCormick - 364 0640 (x89554)
- **Burwood Hospital:** Jane Dick - 021 572 480
- **Hillmorton Hospital:** Joan Hough - 021 501 683
- **Nurse Maude Hospice:** Christchurch North Parish - 359-1438
- **St George's Hospital:** Christchurch North Parish - 359-1438
- **Southern Cross:** Cathedral Parish - 379-1068

**St Anthony's Catholic School, Seatoun, Wellington, Centenary:** 13 -14 October. We invite past students, staff, families to celebrate this occasion. Register: find us on the St Anthony's School Centenary Facebook Page; email: [centenary@stants.school.nz](mailto:centenary@stants.school.nz) or Julie O'Brien, 021 377 192. Accommodation is being held aside at Brentwood Hotel on a first-in-first-served basis.

**SESSION ON JOHN'S GOSPEL:** with Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM, this Tuesday 15 August, 7.30pm – 9.00pm, will focus our call to participate with Jesus in 'finishing the works of God' by hearing both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor in God's evolving, unfinished universe @ Catherine McAuley Centre, Villa Maria College. Bring a Bible. Email: [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz) or Ph 379 1298.

**REFLECTION DAY - SPIRITUALITY OF POETRY:** be nourished by the poetry of Rilke, David Whyte, Mary Oliver and others. A chance also to bring your own favourite poem.

Bring own lunch. Koha/donation. Next Tuesday 22 August, 10.30am – 2.30pm led by Sr Lyndall Brown RSJ @ McAuley Centre, Villa Maria College. Email: [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz) or Ph 379 1298.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK:** an online event entitled 'Challenging the Status Quo'. Thursday, 31 August 6-7:30PM via Zoom. This is a free event and you can register on <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZlqcuqogz0rEtYohx7dt8Tq-7ZkxmUyuR1Z>

**THE THOMAS MORE SOCIETY FOR LIBERAL ARTS** presents

WHAT ARE THE LIBERAL ARTS? Dr Paul Morrissey of Campion College, Australia, and Ben & Eliza McCabe of the Augustine Academy presenting with a panel of local Educators. A lecture, panel and Q&A session with drinks and nibbles. at Our Lady of Victories, Sockburn, 7.00pm, Friday, 8 September. Here is a link to the facebook event <https://fb.me/e/OceitPQt>

**From our Australian Correspondant – Fr Chris** Hi Everyone.

Just a little update regarding my roadtrip in Australia. I am currently in Kununurra, Western Australia & enjoying some great weather. I began my roadtrip a few days ago in Broome & have stayed in Derby & Halls Creek along the way. There is a lot of wilderness as I travel but some great places to stop & have a break & take in some scenery. In Derby there is a 1500 year old Boab tree that had been used as a jail many years ago. Today I visited Lake Argyle & Molly Springs which is a popular place to swim. Tomorrow Fr Vinu who is the Parish Priest here at Kunanarra has asked me to preach at the morning Mass so I am still getting to do some work. Afterwards I head for Katherine in the Northern Territory. Hope you are all well & keeping you in prayer.

