

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://cdoc.nz/>

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

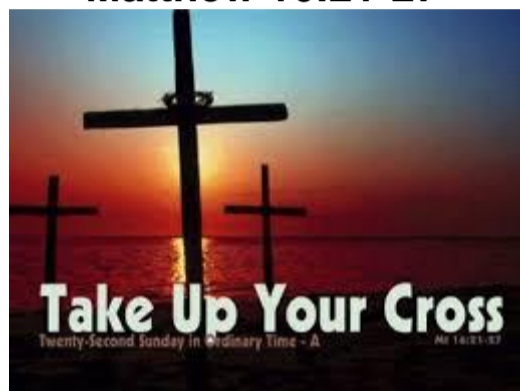
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Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Romans 12:1-2

Matthew 16:21-27



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.

From Fr Brian:

- ❖ **Welcome back to Fr Chris** after his 4 month's Sabbatical.
- ❖ The Government has lifted the last restrictions for Covid. When the new rosters take effect - we'll re-introduce **Communion under both kinds**. Several parishes have already re-introduced this practice. I appreciate that not everyone will return to the practice of receiving Communion from the chalice. This is a decision for the parishioner.
- ❖ Bishop Michael Gielen will confer the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on **Saturday 2 December, at an extra mass, 7.00pm**, in St Patrick's Church, Lincoln. There will be supper after the mass. **Candidates in Years 7, 8 & 9, 10 and above** are invited to register. (Some families have already registered in the Programme). We have 4 **adults** who have request to be confirmed. We encourage Adults, if you have not been confirmed, to enrol in the Programme. We will have a couple of separate meetings with adults. Please let Frs Brian/Chris or the Parish Office know if you'd like to register your child for the Programme. The Programme will begin on **Sunday 15 October from 10.00am – 4.00pm**, in the St Patrick's Church Centre, Lincoln; the first 2 sessions will be facilitated by the *Catholic Youth Team*. There will also be a Parents' Meeting.
- ❖ There is **NO Morning Tea this Sunday in Darfield (3 September)** as the Centre is booked by a family. **Morning Tea will be on 10 September**, after mass, for Fathers' Day.

Catholic Parish of Selwyn – Pastoral Assistant

A vacancy exists in our Parish Team with a key focus of facilitating the Sacramental Programmes and establishing Teams of volunteers in the ministries within our Parish.

This role requires a special combination of experience, skill, and personal qualities.

Applicants will demonstrate a personal faith commitment, relevant pastoral experience, and a desire to be on mission.

More information including the position description and Application Form can be requested from either Frs Brian or Chris, or the Parish Office.

Applications close Monday 16 October 2023

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY

A Prayer for Fathers

God our Father,
we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.
We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation;
may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for all fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering;
may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.
Amen.



Journey to Catholic Faith Programme

10 parishioners have joined the '**Journey to Catholic Faith**' Team.

There are about 16 adults who have expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic.

Meetings will be on **Tuesday evenings, beginning this Tuesday, 5 September, 7.00pm.**

It is a great Programme - as parishioners accompany candidates along their journey to the Catholic Faith.

Any further volunteers are welcome.

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

RIP

Recently deceased: Pat Devlin (Lincoln); Rosemarie O'Carroll (ex-West Melton); Moira Lipyeat; Edwin O'Donnell; Michael Thompson, Austin Lysaght (Ashburton)

Anniversary: Joan Lysaght 20/8

Mass: Special Intention

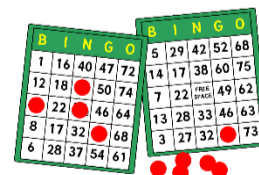
'Light Party' – as an alternative to Halloween – is being planned by the various Churches of Lincoln. The Baptist Church are happy to lead the venture. Is there a parishioner who would like to attend a planning meeting for this Event? If so, please contact Fr Brian.

Sunday Cuppas – once again the cupboard is totally bare. When shopping can you please add a packet of biscuits or two, to your trolley for our Morning Teas and leave in the Lincoln kitchen. Many thanks

Housie afternoon. – We are running the last afternoon of Housie next Wednesday, 6th September at 1pm.

Come along and enjoy yourself and we will provide afternoon tea as well.

All money is paid back in prize



Father's Day Raffle. The Catholic Women's League is holding their annual Father's Day raffle and will be selling tickets on the next two weekend at all Lincoln Masses 2/3rd September. The raffle will be drawn on Father's Day after Mass. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5.

Darfield Gardening: Hi, Its gardening time. For those willing and able to meet Tuesday 5th September 9am to 12 pm. Hope to see you there.

Outing for parishioners to Loretta Sloan's home in Leeston. On Thursday the 12th of October. Loretta is a textile artist she works with felt along with other medium. and has been an entrant in the Wearable arts Competition WOW on several occasions.

WE will carpool from St Patricks Lincolns carpark at 9.30. Arriving at her home at 2 Showground's Place Leeston. She will give us Morning tea and she will show us her passed entries in to the Wearable Arts Competition (WOW) held annually in September. She will teach a workshop, and we can make a whimsical felt flower. You don't need to be artistic just come and have fun.

Then we are going to her friend Deborah Gill-Smith's Home. It was built in 1882. It is fully restored retaining all original features. Deborah and her family are the 5th generation living in this elegant home. Lunch will be provided here. Please let me know if there is any special dietary requirements. Deborah has a very creative and artistic flair which you will see when you enter this home. She also has a beautiful range of vintage clothing. **WE** will leave her home at 2.30 The cost is \$60.

This is an open invitation please invite anyone who you think may be interested in joining us. If it is easier to go directly to Loretta's please do. But let me know.

We need numbers by the 5th of October. Please phone or text me on 0273341151. Regards Yvonne Morgan

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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday after 9am mass the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for all of us to come and pray God for a visit. 1 hour – ½ hour or 10 minutes. He is waiting anxiously for each and everyone of us. Bring your love and concerns or just sit quietly so he can talk to you in your heart. Don't we all love a visitor when alone.



The Selwyn Parish Annual Quiz Night is to be held on Friday 15th September in the Parish Centre starting at 7pm, BYO; supper and nibbles provided. Teams of four at \$5 per person there will be a raffle \$2 each or \$5 for three. We have got some teams already so if you are interested don't miss out as we can only take 17- 18 teams. You can also register your team by emailing to mbmerea@gmail.com.

SVDP Report: Thank you to everyone who supports us with donations of food, goods and money. Your support and the support of all the parish is vital to our mission. There is an urgent need in the city for furniture and bedding, so please keep that in mind if you are having a spring clean. If there are large items, please ring to arrange collection, rather than putting them by the bin, where they will sit exposed to the weather until the collection each Thursday. Our next meeting is next Thursday, 7 September, at the Lincoln parish centre at 7.00pm. We would love you to join us, or, if you just want to see what we do, please feel free to come along and observe. As always, if there is someone you are aware of who needs our help, please get in contact with us. Please keep the success of our mission in your thoughts and prayers.



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Website: www.svdpselwyn.org.nz Give a Little website: <https://givealittle.co.nz/org/st-vincent-de-paul-selwyn-conference>. God bless. Ian Tennant

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 are in the pamphlets that are available at the church entrance. We thank you in advance for your ongoing support. Sister Kathleen Prendergast .

'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. **Sponsorship:** will support young people who struggle financially to attend Antioch and allow them to encounter Christ. Thank you for being part of a young person's faith journey. God Bless. Donations can be made to: Catholic Diocese of Christchurch: 03-0802-0948733-00 Particulars: Donations; Reference: Antioch23

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMS SHARING EVENING: The pilgrims that attended World Youth Day from our Diocese are back and keen to share their experience. They are hosting an evening on Tuesday 12 September, 7.30pm at the St Teresa's Church Hall, Riccarton. This is an open invitation to anyone who would like to hear about the pilgrimage and the impact it has had. After the presentation, you are welcome to stay for a light supper and cup of tea. For more information, please contact Grace at gchallies@cdoc.nz or Stephani at youngadults@christchurchwest.org.nz.

CHAMPAGNAT MARIST FAMILY: will be celebrating 'The Holy Name of Mary' Mass on Sunday 17 September, 2.00pm, at the Xavier Hall, 122 Barbadoes Street. Drinks and nibbles to follow. The Champagnat Marist Family are looking to set up a Marist Family Network. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Brs Alan or Osmund on 358-5351; or Dan Dungey 021 285 5400 ; partnership@fmspacific.com

THE THOMAS MORE SOCIETY FOR LIBERAL ARTS

Presentsm 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>

Matt O'Connell is the **Diocesan Vocations Coordinator** working alongside the Vocations Director, Fr Tien Cao. Matt will be helping with new initiatives and events to promote priestly vocations. He can be contacted on vocations.chch@gmail.com ; or 027 536 9407.

The next **Greater Company of Mary Mass** will be on Saturday 9 September, 10.30am, at the Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham St North. All welcome. Morning tea will follow. For catering purposes, please rsvp by Monday 4 September, to the Little Company of Mary office, ph 372-9224.

WEDNESDAYS AT ONE: is a weekly feast of music at the Catholic Pro-cathedral or CBS Music Centre, 373 Manchester Street. Starting Wednesday 6 September. Concerts begin at 1.10pm. For the September-December schedule, please see the Diocesan website.

SYMPHONIC SPLENDOUR: Joseph Haydn's, Te Deum, Symphony 95 Nelson Mass. CBS Choir and Orchestra. St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, 10 September, 2.00pm. Programme admission \$25 & \$2

A **Catholic Development Fund Christmas Club Account** allows you to enjoy the peace and joy that the birth of Jesus brings without the unnecessary stress at what is often a busy and expensive time of year. Your savings are available from 1 December in time for Christmas celebrations or even summer holiday expenses, and your account will earn interest for you while doing good within our community. CDF – INVEST IN GOOD: 0800 403 86 ; www.cdf.org.nz

From the Diocesan Office

Diocese Communications: email is the best way for the Diocese to communicate to parishioners. We encourage you to sign up for the Diocese mailing list on our website <https://cdoc.nz> . (The sign-up is available at the bottom of every page). Email allows us to communicate with you quickly, and with much planned in the Diocese, we encourage you sign-up to be kept informed. There will not be unnecessary emails and you can unsubscribe at any time.