OUR LADY OF THE PLAINS PARISH

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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14th Sunday in O T

6th July 2025.

Readings

Isaiah 66:10-14

St Paul 6:14-18

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

WEEKEND MASSES

Lincoln: Saturday Vigil - 5.30pm
Sunday - 8.30am
Darfield: Sunday – 8.30 am (Summer)
9.00 am (Winter)
Leeston: Sunday - 10.00am
Rolleston: Sunday 11.00am

Weekday Masses:
Lincoln: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00am
Leeston: Restart August
Darfield: Thursday 10.00am
Akaroa: Wednesday 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.

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

Lincoln Thursday 10th July Mass resumes

There will be **NO Wednesday Leeston Masses** until beginning of August.

Copies of Inform available this weekend.

Journey to Catholic Faith: *Our Lady of the Plains Parish* will commence a new series of the ***Journey to Catholic Faith Programme*** – for adults who would like to investigate the journey to becoming Catholic, on **Tuesday 29 July, at 7.00pm – 8.30pm**. (Thereafter on Tuesday evenings except during the School Holidays).

At the moment, we have 19 adults interested in participating on this Journey.
For the success of the Programme, we need several parishioners who are willing to be part of the Team.
The Team is present during the Talks and are essential for Small Group Discussions /Sharing of Faith in response to the Input.
The Team also provides a welcoming environment for the candidates.
Please let Fr Chris know now if you'd like to join the Team.

Also, if you know of anyone who is thinking about discerning their journey to the Catholic Faith - then please inform them of the upcoming programme.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be offered in the Selwyn Parish during the 4th Term. Bishop Michael is coming to Lincoln for the Confirmation Mass during November. Candidates from Years 7, 8, 9 and above are eligible to enrol. Also, adults who have not been Confirmed are encouraged to also join the Programme - they will meet separately.

Lincoln Prayer Group: Teaching series week 8: The Spirit & the Sacraments
The prayer group based at Lincoln continues to facilitate the DVD series called 'The Wild Goose' each Wednesday 7.00pm-8.30pm in the Parish Centre, followed by small group discussion based on the reflection sheet provided. Join us as we view the 8th talk titled: **'The Spirit & the Sacraments'**. Be supported as you grow in exercising your spiritual gifts through prayer, intercession, praise and worship, with reflections like this 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.

Lincoln Catholic Women's League are collecting the New World Promotional Stickers, to help buy the items for future use, such as in our raffles.
So, if you have been collecting them and you don't intend to redeem them, we would accept them with grateful thanks, you can either give them to Margaret Rea or Lyn Windle. Thank you

Parish Finger Food Pot Luck Luncheon:
The SAT TEAM of Our Lady of the Plains would like to invite you to the parish Mid-Winter Pot Luck Luncheon at Rolleston after Mass in the school hall on Sunday 27th July
We would love to see a good crowd there.
Please bring a plate of food but it must be **FINGER FOOD ONLY.**
We can heat any food that requires heating and have it ready after Mass.

JPII Race Night at Addington Raceway 2025 - The date has been confirmed for Friday 29 August. Once again, they are looking for sponsorship for this annual fundraiser. Over the past three years we have been able to fully or part sponsor a race for our Parish. If you can help in a small or larger way please contact Matt O'Connell at the Diocese: MO'Connell@cdoc.nz

MASS OF OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL
The Carmelite Sisters warmly invite you to the annual celebration of the Mass of Our Lady of Mt Carmel on **Sun, Jul 13** at 2.30pm, at the Carmelite Monastery, 52 Halswell Road. Bishop Michael Gielen will be the principal celebrant at a concelebrated Mass, followed by afternoon tea. You are most welcome to join us on this special occasion to ask Our Lady's intercession for all your intentions. In preparation, a novena of Masses will be offered for all our relatives and friends.

DIOCESAN MEN'S RETREAT
Bishop Michael warmly invites all men to join him at our Diocesan Men's Retreat. Join us as we venture out into the deep - a powerful opportunity to strengthen faith, deepen connections, and journey together in brotherhood. This is open to men of all ages. Date: **Fri, July 25** & **Sat, July 26**
For more info contact Mike Stopforth on 027 539 8542 or mstopforth@cdoc.nz

DIOCESAN JUBLIEE PRAYER CONFERENCE -2nd AUGUST, TEMUKA
As we journey through this Jubilee Year, the Bishop's Pastoral Office is organizing a one-day conference to be held in Temuka on Saturday August 2nd with the Jubilee theme, "Pilgrims of Hope". The Saint Mary Mackillop Chapel in Temuka is a Sacred Jubilee site for the Christchurch Diocese so we hope many people will take the opportunity to make a pilgrimage and come to this conference. The Conference will involve Mass, Prayer, workshops, keynote talks and more. Bishop Michael will be attending and will give a keynote talk. We also have a guest keynote speaker coming from Australia, Fr Chris Eaton from the Missionaries of God's Love Community. The cost is $49 which includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. For more information and to register contact Matt O'Connell on 366-9869 or moconnell@cdoc.nz

Catholic News online: get Catholic headlines via email & online each Tuesday & Friday: to register: https://cathnewsnz.com/

Reflection Day on **The Gift of Years - Growing Older Gracefully** on Tuesday 22 July, 10.30am – 2.30pm, facilitated by Sr Lyndall Brown rsj, at Te Manawa Atawhai Catherine McAuley Centre, Villa Maria College. Bring own lunch. Tea, coffee provided. Koha/Donation. Indication of attendance helpful to roho@xtra.co,nz or (03) 379 1298. A Rosary House Spiritual Life Centre Programme. Posters also attached

Dio Date Night - 26th July @ 5:30pm Married couples, this is your chance to enjoy a relaxing night out. Leave the kids at home and join us for an evening of great food, conversation, and an opportunity to connect with other couples. You can register and find out more here: https://jp2.org.nz/marriage-enrichment/

St Brigid's Church, Loburn - 150th Anniversary : Bishop Michael will celebrate Mass to mark this milestone @ 2.00pm on Sunday, 9 November @ St Brigid's Church, 232 Loburn White Rock Road.
Have you any historic photographs/written material which would assist in compiling a chapter on the history of the chruch - please contact Michael Brown, mandmbrown.nz@gmail.com

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 027356 0916

Craft and Friendship: Tuesday 1.30pm to 3.30pm on Lincoln Church centre. Enquiries to Yvonne 0273341151 or 3669795

Monday Prayer Group-Rolleston 10.00am-11.30am. An invitation to Mothers & preschoolers to come along to a home-based prayer group, discuss a scripture reading, share your thoughts, get to know other Mums in the parish. We operate a WhatsApp group to communicate so if you would like to join, please text Brigid on 02108176358

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A Night at the Conclave
WITH CARDINAL JOHN DEW

Friday 1 August 2025 • 7.30pm

James Hay Theatre Christchurch Town Hall

Tickets available online
https://events.humanitix.com/
nightattheconclave or events@cdoc.nz

Tickets $35 / Students $19

Dio Date Night

JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE

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CHRISTCHURCH DIOCESAN
JUBILEE PRAYER CONFERENCE 2025

Saturday 2 August 2025
Opihi Parish, Temuka

As we journey through this Jubilee Year, the Bishop's Pastoral Office is organising a one-day conference using the theme for the Jubilee Year, "Pilgrims of Hope,"

The conference hopes to inspire and help participants grow in their prayer life, to become, "pilgrims of hope for the world".

Highlights include:

- The Saint Mary Mackillop Centre and Chapel (a Sacred Jubilee site for the Chch Diocese)
- Special guest keynote speaker Fr Chris Eaton MGL from Australia.
- Keynote talk from Bishop Michael
- Eight breakout sessions
- $49 incudes morning & afternoon tea, and lunch
- Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation and other times of prayer
- Opportunity to gain the Jubilee Indulgence

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For more information
contact Matt O'Connell, moconnell@cdoc.nz or 03 366 9869
or visit: cdoc.nz/news-events/prayer-conference