OUR LADY OF THE PLAINS
SELWYN CATHOLIC PARISH – PARISH NEWSLETTER

28 September 2025

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 19-31

Day-Light Saving: begins <u>this Sunday, 28 September</u>.
<u>Darfield Sunday Mass</u> will revert to 8.30am with Day-Light Saving.

<u>RIP</u>
Recently Deceased: Ira Hayes (Darfield), Fr Bob Wilson, Zita Moynihan (Hokitika); Shona Nee (ex-Leeston).

The Sacrament of Confirmation will now be offered in the Selwyn Parish, by Bishop Michael, **at the Lincoln Saturday Vigil Mass, on <u>22 November.</u>**
Candidates from Years 7, 8, 9 and above are eligible to enrol.
First Candidates' Session will be on Sunday 5 October, 4.00pm - 5.00pm at St Partrick's Church Centre, Lincoln.
Also, adults who have not been Confirmed are encouraged to also join the Programme - they will meet separately.
Contact the Parish Office to enrol: selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com

Carol George was a parishioner of Lincoln Parish for over 40 years.
She moved to Auckland 5 years ago and died in Auckland on 29th April this year.
There will be a Memorial Service for her at St Patrick's Church, Lincoln, on **Saturday, 18 October @ 2.00pm**. Followed by afternoon tea.
Her daughter, Sue Jardine (nee George) invites Carol's friends to join the family at the Service.

The **Catholic Outdoor Club** has a Holiday House available in Arthur's Pass, on Sunshine Tce (behind the Police Station). The house has 3 bunk rooms to accommodate 18 people. It has a good lounge and kitchen. Ideal for an economical family holiday in the mountains. Cost from $90 a night. Bookings may be made on the website: https://www.holidayhouses.co.nz/listing/55811

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Lincoln-Rolleston Pastoral Care - a small team have been visiting the elderly, sick and housebound parishioners over the past year. If you would like a visit or know any parishioners who may like a visit please let us know. We visit in pairs and you will be phoned in advance to organise the visit. Co-ordinator: Tricia Smith: tric1948@gmail.com

2026 Columban Calendars are now on sale: cost $13. They are good value and a way fo support the St Columban's Mission Society.

Copies of ***Inform*** are availbe at the church door. Please take a acopy.
It can also be read online at: https://cdoc.nz/inform

Lincoln Friendship Group - our next gathering is Friday 3 October in St Patrick's Church Centre following the 9am mass. Please bring a small plate of morning tea to share. All welcome.

A reminder about the **Selwyn Parish Quiz Night:** this coming **Friday, 3rd October**, in the Lincoln Church Centre starting at 7.00pm.
BYO; supper provided. Teams of four $5 for person.
All money raised will go the the Afghanistan family that the Vinnies from our Parish have sponsored
We can only take 20 teams and already have teams registered so don't miss out.
Contact: Margaret at mbmerea@gmail.com to put your team in.
If you don't have four you can still registered and we can put you in a team on the night

Lincoln Sunday Cuppa's - if you can assist serving teas and coffees after Lincoln Sunday morning mass please add your name to the list on the kitchen bench.
You only need to bring the milk. There is no expectation to provide baking as there is always biscuits in the kitchen cupboard. On that note the cupboard is nearly bare if any parishioner would like to add some biscuits to their shopping trolley.

St Joseph's the Worker Parsih & School, Lyttelton: celebrating 160 years of Catholic faith since the founding of *St Joseph's The Worker* in 1865, it was one of NZ's oldest parishes.
The parish and school were closed following the earthquakes, the spirit of St Joseph's is still with us.
To honour this legacy, all former parishioners, students, teachers, and friends are warmly invited to a special celebration on **Saturday, 25 October**, featuring a Dedication Mass **at St Anne's in Woolston**, followed by dinner, speeches, cake cutting, and dancing at the Lyttelton Top Club.
More details are available: https://cdoc.nz/news-events/celebrating-160-years-of-lyttelton-catholic-faith-since-1865 and sjlyttelton160@gmail.com

150 years of St Brigid's Church in Loburn: mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael on Sunday, 9 November, 2.00pm. Mass will be celebrated in a large marquee.
To follow there will be a blessing of the cemetery & afternoon tea.
An updated version of Michael Hanrahan's history of St Brigid's will be available for sale - $17 plus P&P (courier $7.70 urban, $13.40 rural) for orders placed before 8th November.
Later purchases will be $20 plus p&p.
Information: Michael Brown @ mandmbrown.nz@gmail.com
Payment may be made to Waimakariri Parish: 03-1592-05522551-023 reference 'booklet', code 'your surname'.

Mission Sunday is 19 October – it is a day observed throughout the Catholic World. It is a Day when the 'Catholic World' prays and supports the work of Evangelisation.
Over the years, many New Zealanders have served the Church in foreign lands.
The mission of Proclaiming the Gospel is still the mission of the Church.

There are Giving Envelopes in the entrances to the churches. Donations assist the support of missionaries in foreign lands.