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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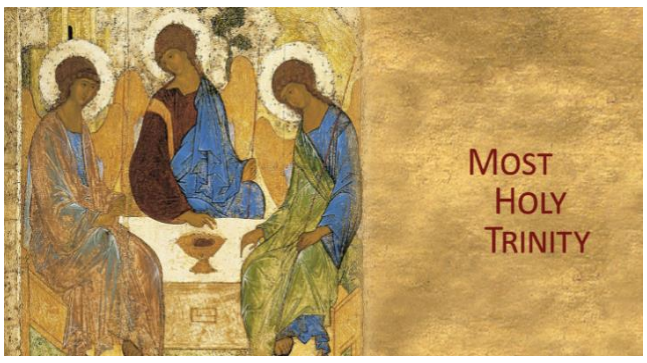
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Year A

31 May 2026

Readings

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
John 3:16-18



WEEKEND MASSES

Lincoln: Saturday Vigil - 5.30pm
Sunday - 8.30am
Darfield: Sunday - 9.00 am
Leeston: Sunday - 10.00am
Rolleston: Sunday - 11.00am

Weekday Masses this week:
Lincoln: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 9.00am

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/

Fr Brian is on his holiday from Sunday, 24 May; there will be **NO Lincoln Thursday Masses** during the month of June.
Father Viet, from the Cathedral, will celebrate Mass next Sunday at Lincoln & Leeston.

There will be **Akaroa Wednesday Mass** on Wednesday, 3 June (as it's the week of the King's Birthday).

There will be **NO Wednesday Masses** over the winter period … as few parishioners attend the Wednesday Mass during winter and we'll cut back on petrol use.
There will be a Wednesday Mass for any 'special occasions'.

Fr Dan Doyle will be in Akaroa for Sunday Mass on 7 June, 9.30am.

RIP: Recently Deceased: Annette Cockburn (Rolleston), Terry Hughes (Lincoln), Rolland 'Buck' Alley (formerly Lincoln).
Anniversary: Matthew Moynihan 23/05.

The new series of **Giving Envelopes** are available at the Churches' Entrances.
There are several **Envelopes and Tax Receipts in the foyer at Lincoln.**
Please check – as some parishioners may attend Rolleston. If that is the case - please email Chi in the Parish Office and she will place them in the Rolleston Box.

If new parishioners would like to have 'Giving Envelopes' or go on Automatic Banking - then please ring Chi or send her an email: selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com ; ph 325-2770.

The **Selwyn Catholic Parish Bank Account is: 03-1592-0207180-020**
Parishioners who use envelopes or AP are entitled to a ⅓ rebate on their giving.

Diocesan Eucharistic Procession & Holy Hour on the Feast of Body & Blood of Christ:
on **Sunday, 7 June**, @ Our Lady of Victories Church, beginning at 2.30pm.
The celebration will include adoration, a procession around the streets, prayers and music.
All groups welcome to attend with banners as well.
Information: contact Matt O'Connell ph 366-9869 or moconnell@cdoc.nz

Next Baptism Preparation Sessions will be on Sundays 28 June & 5 July in the Lincoln Church Centre, 7.00pm – 8.15pm. Contact the parish office: selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com to enrol.

For **Catholic News** within New Zealand: Sign up for **Cath News website**: https://cathnewsnz.com/
News items are published on Tuesdays & Fridays.

Plan Ahead for a Parish Weekend Retreat

Selwyn Parish Retreat Weekend: *"Made for More"* – an experience of Encounter, Healing and Purpose.
This is an invitation for anyone to encounter God in a new way, discover your true identity, and embrace your mission with passion and power.
It will be led by Fr Dominic Sultana, a Catholic priest from Malta, an author and an international speaker who has led numerous retreats and missionary initiatives across Europe, the USA, and Canada over the last 20 years.
When: **Friday, 17th July, 7.00pm – 9.00pm.**
Saturday, 18th July, 9.30am – 4.30pm.
Sunday, 19th July, 10.00 am – 5.00 pm
Venue: St Patrick's Church Centre, Lincoln
Cost: $40 per person (includes a retreat workbook, afternoon tea), bring a plate for lunch.
The Parish will also subside each parishioner $40.
To register: please email Alex Chia: achia@cdoc.nz.

Marriage Preparation Course
Getting married soon? What are you really saying "I do" to?
This one-day course is for engaged couples preparing to get married in the Catholic Church.
It's a chance to pause, reconnect, and invest in your future together. You'll explore what helps marriages thrive, how to navigate differences well, and what those vows actually mean. Plus, enjoy morning tea and lunch together, and take home plenty of practical resources.
Next course: Saturday 25 July; $140 per couple.
Hosted by the *John Paul II Centre for Life*. Sign up at: https://jp2.org.nz/marriage-prep/

First Holy Communion 2026: Sunday 31st May no lesson at Lincoln this Sunday. Next Lesson Lincoln - Sunday 7th June 8:15am. We would like the children to remain after mass for a quick practise of processing into the church.
Lincoln: Practise for Lincoln FHC Thursday, 11th June 6:30pm, and FHC Sunday, 14th June 2:00pm at St Patricks Church followed by afternoon tea at the Lincoln Event Centre.
Darfield: Practise with Fr. Chris Sunday, 31st May Fr Chris with the children after mass, and FHC Sunday, 21st June 9:00am followed by Morning Tea in the parish hall.

Prayer Blankets: Do you know someone in the community or in your family who would find comfort in receiving a beautifully hand knitted, knee sized blanket that has been blessed and is accompanied by ongoing prayer for the recipient. We have a good supply that has been knitted by the ladies in the craft group and would love you to get in touch if you know someone who this could bring comfort to. **Please contact Brigid on 0274553134**

Help Required: 1 x Helper/Safety Observer required for assisting in patching holes in ventilation turrets at Leeston Church on Saturday,6th June from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Work involves assisting moving pews and ability to operate scissor lift from the ground in the event of an emergency. **Please contact Levi on 0275627846.**

The SAT Team would like to invite you to our **Annual Pot Luck** finger food luncheon after 11am Mass at Rolleston on Sunday, 21st June. Last year was a great success and we are hoping you will all join us again. Remember finger food only please!

The Legion of Mary: Mother of Mercy, based in the Selwyn Parish meets every Friday at 7:00pm at St Patricks Parish Centre. For more details **contact Catherine Park - 027 356 0916**