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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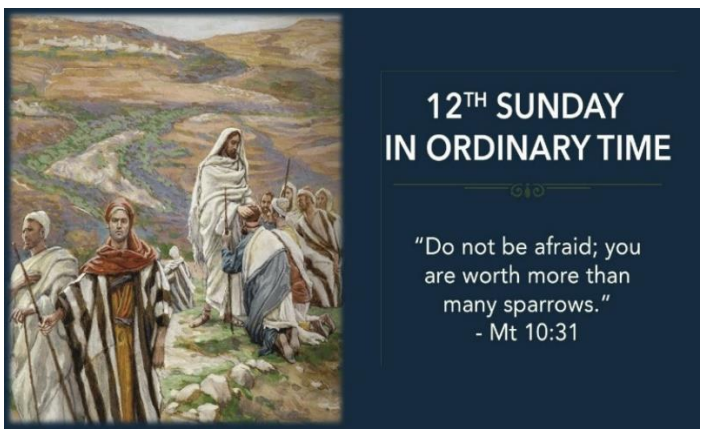
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

21 June 2026

Readings

Jeremiah 20: 10-13
Romans 5: 12-15
Mathew 10: 26-33



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, Friday, 9.00am
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.

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

PRIVACY BREACH

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We sincerely apologise that this occurred and for any distress or anxiety this breach may cause you.

Akaroa: 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 occassions'.

First Holy Communion: Congratulations to the following children who will be receiving their First Communion this Sunday at St Joseph's, Darfield.
Please keep them & their families in your prayers.
May they continue to be faithful followers of Jesus.
Cate & Hadley Hughes, Emily &Thomas Hickey, Florence & Theodore McLeod, Francis Baghucan, Jonty & Ruby van der Salm, Ryleigh & Kendal Boulton, Sabina Lana, Tadhg Rogers & Corben Janmaat.

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.

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.

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!

Do you have a heart for sharing your faith and welcoming others?
Join our **Parish Alpha Program** team! No experience is needed—just a willingness to meet new people and serve in this vibrant ministry. Come to our **Learn About Alpha** session and discover how you can get involved.
SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday 7th July at 7pm. Parish Centre Lincoln.

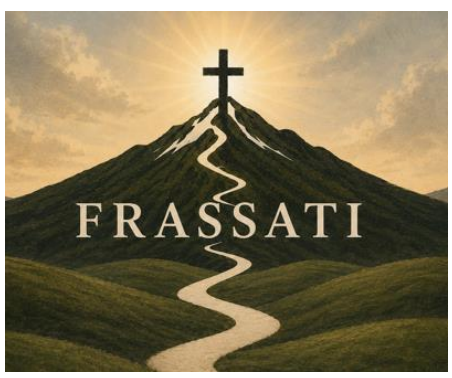
OLOP Youth Group: **Food • Fun • Friendship • Faith** Sunday 28 June. 12.15pm–2.00pm, Rolleston School Hall (after the 11am Mass). All young people in Years 6–13 are welcome. Come along, make new friends, grow in faith, and have fun!

Prayer Group: Mondays, 10.00am (Rolleston). A small group for mothers in the parish/community to pray, reflect on Scripture, and support one another. Meets in private homes, with time for scripture, prayer and a cuppa. Preschoolers welcome. Contact Brigid: pastoralassistantselwyn@gmail.com or 021 081 76358

Filipino Mass: The Philippine Chaplaincy of Christchurch will celebrate a Filipino Mass at St Patrick's Church, Akaroa, on Sunday 5 July at 4:30pm. Parishioners and visitors are warmly invited to join the Filipino Catholic community for this celebration of the Eucharist.

National Volunteer Week: Thank you to all our volunteers who generously share their time and talents in service to our parish communities—your contribution is deeply appreciated!

Frassati Young Adults: We are a new young adults' group at Our Lady of the Plains Parish. Inspired by St Pier Giorgio Frassati, we aim to grow in faith, community, and joy. Whether you're at university, working, or still figuring things out, you're welcome to join us for Adoration, shared meals, formation, and the occasional pub quiz!
Find us at St Patrick's Hall, Lincoln, every 1st Monday and 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm–7:30pm.
For ages 18–30 Instagram: @frassati.youngadults.olp.
Email: olp.youngadults@gmail.com



St Joseph's Darfield Gardening:
Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday between 9:00am to 12noon.
Calling all keen volunteers who are willing and able to help with gardening tasks on the above days. Guaranteed good company. Coffee break and morning tea provided. For more info, contact Moira Howell at dmchowell@xtra.co.nz.

Department of Corrections: With NZ in domestic violence crisis, the Department of Corrections is currently doing a drive to support Women's Refuge during their intake of at-risk families over the winter months. If you are able to support this cause and provide new or good condition pyjamas for adult women and/or children your donation will be much appreciated. Contributions can be left at the parish foyer with a final date of 30th June. Many thanks in advance.

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**

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**

Important Notification **Privacy Breach**

19 JUNE 2026

PRIVACY BREACH – SELWYN PARISH

We are writing to inform you of a privacy breach involving the personal information of those within our parish database.

On Wednesday 17 June 2026, unfortunately due to human error, there was an accidental release of all parishioners' names and contact details to an unauthorised (scam) email address.

No financial information was released. As soon as we became aware of the situation, we took immediate steps to investigate and to prevent any further issues.

What we have done:

- We have taken immediate steps to contain the issue, including attempting to recall the message and requesting recipients delete it.
- We are notifying the Office of the Privacy Commissioner and working with the Diocesan Privacy Officer to ensure we meet all reporting requirements.
- We are reviewing our internal processes to prevent this from happening again.

What this means for you:

At this stage, we believe the risk is low/moderate, however we recommend remaining cautious of:

- Unexpected contact saying they are from the parish
- Do not respond to emails from Fr Brian and Fr Chris other than; bfennessy@snap.net.nz and christopherjohnorr@gmail.com
- Suspicious emails referencing this information
- Email/texts from the priests asking you to reply or for money or to buy apple gift cards.
- Phone calls or texts asking you to log on to a bank account.
- Phone calls or texts asking you to log onto your computer so that an update can be installed.

What we are doing next:

- Conducting a full internal review
- Reinforcing staff training and controls around email/data handling

If you have any concerns about how your personal information has been handled, you have the right to contact the Office of the Privacy Commissioner (OPC) for advice or to make a complaint. You can reach them by:

- Phone: 0800 803 909
- Website: **www.privacy.org.nz**

Protecting your personal information is a priority for the parish.

We sincerely apologise that this occurred and for any distress or anxiety this breach may cause you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fr. Brian on bfennessy@snap.net.nz or the parish office on selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com , or the Diocesan Privacy Officer Clodagh Ward our Privacy Officer on 022 012 4142 cward@cdoc.nz .

Yours sincerely,

Fr. Brian Fennessy

Selwyn Parish Priest