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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The Most Holy

Body And Blood of Christ

Year A

7 June 2026

Readings

Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16
1 Corinthians 10:16-17
John 6:51-58

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/

Fr Brian is on his holiday from Sunday, 24 May; there will be **NO Lincoln Thursday Masses** during the month of June.
Father John O'Connor will celebrate Mass this Sunday at Darfield & Rolleston.

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 occasions'.

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

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.
Check out diocesan weekly notice on https://cdoc.nz/news-events/weekly-notices-7-june-2026

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.

First Holy Communion 2026:
Lincoln- **Lesson:** Sunday 7 June, 8:15am, children to stay back for 10mins after mass. **Rehearsal:** Thurs 11 June, 6.30pm, St Patrick's. **First Communion Mass:** Sun 14 June, 2.00pm, St Patrick's. Afternoon tea follows at the Event Centre. Please bring a plate for the children's table and one for adults. Volunteer photographer needed for the group photo after Mass. Contact Brigid: pastoralassistantselwyn@gmail.com
Darfield- **Lesson:** Sunday, 9.00am. **First Communion Mass:** Sunday 21 June, 9.00am. Morning tea to follow in the hall. Families are asked to bring one plate for the children's table and one for adults.

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 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**

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

Catholic Women's League: We are celebrating our 58th birthday with a pot luck lunch and warmly invite all parish women, especially those who attended last month's High Tea. Monday 8 June. Arrive from 11.30am, lunch at 12 noon, followed by a short meeting and some fun. All are welcome!