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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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 September 2026

Readings

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Philippians 2:1-5
Matthew 21:28-32

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

Akaroa: Wednesday, 10.00am
Leeston: Wednesday, 5.30pm
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/

From Fr Brian:
Daylight Saving commences this Sunday, 27 September.
At Darfield, last Sunday, we held a vote on the mass time during Daylight Saving.
It was decided by a signifianct margin that the **Sunday Mass Time will remain at 9.00am for the whole year.**

The next Baptism Preparation Programme - for parents wishing to have a child baptised will be on **Sundays 4 & 11 October, 7.00pm – 8.15pm, in the Lincoln Church Centre.**
Parents are reminded that godparents have to be baptised Christians, of whom at least one is a Catholic.
(A non-baptised person cannot be a godparent - as they are not part of the Christian Community).
To register - contact the Parish Office: selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com

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RIP: Recently Deceased: Fr Jack O'Connor; Nell Phelan (Rolleston); David Morgan

2027 Calendars ordered from Rachel are available in the narthex of St Patrick's church, and at the back of the Rolleston School Hall. Please pick-up

The **CWL and the SAT Team** would like to thank all parishioners who gave us their **stickers from New World**. We are very pleased to let you know we have a good supply of knives and chopping boards etc which will be divided evenly between the SAT team and CWL to make up raffle prizes. Thank you all so much.

A Jacket from Catholic Cathedral College was left, some time ago, in the presbytery garage. Come and pick it up.

Annual Quiz Fundraiser- thank you
A big 'thank you' to all parishioners and friends who supported our Annual Quiz Night and fundraiser.
It was a wonderful evening of fun, laughter and fellowship with 16 teams taking part.
There were raffles and at the end a lovely supper was served.
Thanks to the generosity of those who attended and with an extra donation received we are delighted to have been able to donate $1,000 to help the Vinnies of our parish who are supporting a family from Afghanistan
Thank you all from the SAT Team.

Bishop Michael has launched the campaign for building the **new Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament.**
See more information: https://cdoc.nz/news-events/plans-for-new-cathedral-released

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TE TAKIWĀ Ō TE PĪHOPA
SUPPORT OUR SACRED PROJECT

Bishop Michael is asking for pledges - gifts paid over 5 years that allow you to make a lasting impact without financial strain.

If/when you make your donation/pledge use this form: https://blessedsacrament.nz/donate/ - and nominate *Our Lady of the Plain's Parish*, Selwyn.

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The Selwyn Parish has established a Fundraising Account.
The new Fundraising Account Number is:
The Roman Catholic Diocese of Christchurch - **The Catholic Parish of Selwyn: 03-1592-0207180-022**

World Youth Day: - joining with young Catholics from the Diocese, and the world, for an incredible experience. The pilgrimage will be approximately 18 days & will include time in Vietnam before joining pilgrims for the *World Youth Day* celebrations in South Korea; expecting over 250 pilgrims from NZ.
Promo video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DgtBKDW8iq0
Applications closing at the end of September. All the information is at www.cyt.org.nz/worldyouthday
The Parish will sponsor some pilgrims. Please contact Fr Brian if you are interested.

CATHSOC Alumni Dinner: Join us for a special evening bringing together generations of the University of Canterbury Catholic Society community - an opportunity to reconnect with old friends, meet current students.
Thursday, 8 October, 5.30pm–9:00pm @ Tī Kōuka Function Room Haere-roa, University of Canterbury.
Tickets are available: Students - $30; General Admission - $60.
https://ucsaclubs.flicket.co.nz/events/5aad2ea0-80ef-4da0-af7a-672136baa8c2?utm_source=chatgpt.com
For further enquiries about the event or sponsoring table for the evening contact: Ryan Frost rfrost319@gmail.com

In 2027, Sacred Heart Primary School: the old Addington Convent School will mark 150 years. We are currently in the early planning stages and need your help to gauge interest. Completing this short survey does not commit you to purchasing tickets. It simply helps us plan the right venues and activities for our community.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd4D_T7BFw4w8zNNW6shtekVyq_BMZzS1t58lKOGUwpFLbFHw/viewform

Friendship Group: Our next gathering is Friday 2nd October following the 9am Mass. Please bring a small plate of morning tea to share. All are welcome.