

# The LINC

*Lincoln Anglican Parish – May 2026*

My dear friends

Last evening we had a long and very productive vestry meeting. A lot of ground was covered following on from the AGM and in light of our proposed building initiatives. I know that in the normal course of events, we trust the vestry to get on with their business and they do a wonderful job. Recently, however, things are happening in the parish, as a response to our growing numbers, that require not only the work of the vestry, but the also the active and prayerful participation of the wider parish. As such, I feel that you need to be kept up to date some of the things that are happening, to keep you 'in the loop' and to inform your prayers.

These include:

## Building initiatives in Rolleston and Lincoln

We have 2 groups working to refine proposals for new buildings at The Church of the Resurrection and St Stephen's. We will be surveying their congregations for feedback as to location, size, design and amenities for these proposed additions.

## Upgrading the technology in the parish office

Our computers are now over 15 years old and no longer fit for purpose.

Fortunately, we have received a grant from the bishop in recognition of the time that I spent deputising for him last year, which the vestry has agreed to use to upgrade the laptops and screens.

A new photocopier was installed last week, in line with our contract and at no extra cost to the parish.

## Financial planning

It has been suggested, wisely, that in order to cope with the needs of a growing parish, a financial planning group is necessary. The vestry agreed to this and we will be approaching a small number of suitably qualified parishioners and inviting them to participate.

## Safeguarding

A significant and vital part of our common life, is the establishment of a faith community in which people of all ages can safely participate. In line with the rest of the diocese, we have a Safeguarding Officer in the parish. Cameron Dickson, a qualified and experienced counsellor, lecturer in Christian Counselling at Laidlaw College and, along with his family, a member of the congregation at Lincoln, has taken on this role. Cameron has attended some

training events organised by the diocesan team and will soon be ready to share the workings of his role with our congregations.

Please uphold these important matters in your prayers and the wonderful vestry members and other parishioners giving of their time and skills in these endeavours.

With love, as always

Mark+

## Notices

**St Stephen's Lincoln** 

**Celebrating 150 years!**

**Saturday August 29th & Sunday August 30th**

What can I attend over the weekend?

- Historic tour
- Evening celebration at the Lincoln Events Centre
- Celebration Eucharist and Morning Tea

Save the Date!

### **Rolleston Ladies Breakfast**

Please come and join us for brunch at 9.30AM on the **2nd of May**, at Pedal Pushers in Rolleston. Please phone Barbara Stratford on 027 333 7812 if you would like to go. Carpool from the Church at 8:45AM

### **Women's Breakfast**

Please come and join us for breakfast at 9.00am on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May at Robert Harris in Lincoln. Please phone RSVP to Shenagh Slater on 022 623 8490 by the 6<sup>th</sup> of May so she can book a table.

### **Men's Breakfast**

Please come and join us for breakfast at 9.00am on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May at the Cottage Cafe in Lincoln. Phone RSVP to the Mark Barlow on 021 041 0914, or contact the office so a table can be booked.

### **Springston Evening Service**

With Daylight Savings ending in April, the Springston Evening Service time will be going back an hour to 5pm.

## Readings

<i>Date</i>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</i>	<i>Gospel</i>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> Easter 5	Acts 7:55-60	1 Pet 2:2-10	John 14:1-14
<b>10<sup>th</sup> May</b> Easter 6	Acts 17:22-31	1 Pet 3:13-22	John 14:15-21
<b>17<sup>th</sup> May</b> Easter 7	Acts 1:6-14	1 Pet 4:12-14, 5:6-11	John 17:1-11
<b>24<sup>th</sup> May</b> Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21	1 Cor 12:3b-13	John 7:37-39
<b>31<sup>st</sup> May</b> Trinity Sunday	Gen 1:1-2:4a	2 Cor 13:11-13	Matt 28:16-20
<b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b> Te Pouhere	Isa 42:10-20	2 Cor 5:14-19	John 15:9-17
<b>14<sup>th</sup> June</b> Ordinary 11	Gen 18:1-15	Rom 5:1-8	Matt 9:35-10:8

## *Regular Events*

Bible Study	Wednesdays; 7:30pm Chris and Don (03) 325 2381
Rolleston Bible Study	Alistair Phillips 027 782 0267
Bible in Schools	Jan Sibbald (03) 325 2275
Men's Breakfast	Mark Barlow 021 041 0914
Women's Breakfast	Shenagh Slater 022 623 8490
Rolleston Men's Breakfast	Mike Latter 027 441 0749
Rolleston Women's Breakfast	Barbara Stratford 027 333 7812
Senior Citizens	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday Margaret Clarke 027 435 0650
Tai Tapu Women	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays; 1:30pm

## Services

LINCOLN	10:00am Chris Purdie (03) 325 2381
SPRINGSTON	9:30am - 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays 5:00pm - Evening Service 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Jenny & Neville Benny (03) 329 5635
GREENPARK	9:30am - 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays Robyn Painter (03) 325 5856
ROLLESTON	9:30 AM 5 PM Joan Clark – <a href="mailto:joanclark222@gmail.com">joanclark222@gmail.com</a>
TAI TAPU	10:00 AM – 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays Ven. Mark Barlow (03) 325 2780 or 021 041 0914

## People

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