

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Carol McKenzie, Isa McClellan, Robert Graham, Jackie Robson, Dominic Gallagher, Helen Gallagher and Connie Roche.

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died Recently: Bridget Coyne, John McGuire, Lesley Dunn, Karen McLaughlin and Andrew Docherty (whose body will be received into the Church on Tuesday, 27th August 2019 immediately prior to his Funeral Mass at 10.00am).

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Sheila and June Deniston, Elizabeth McMahon, Mary McPhail, Thomas Simpson, Joe Hewitt and for the month's mind of Annie Muggins, Tommy Fulton, Ann and William McAdam, Catherine Lowrie and Davie Dunnion.

Last Week's Collections: The first amounted to £852.69 of which £416.12 was gift aid and the second for the Building Fund amounted to £560.39. Thank you very much for your great generosity.

Gift Aid Envelopes: If you pay tax please consider signing a Gift Aid Declaration so that your contribution will be increased by a further 25%. The annual refund which the Parish receives from HMRC makes a massive difference to our funds. Please call into the Sacristy after Mass if you would like to become involved in the Gift Aid Scheme.

Pastoral Letter: Please pick up a copy of Bishop John's Pastoral letter on the occasion of the National Pilgrimage of the Relics of St. Therese.

Sunday Tea: Tea, coffee and cakes will resume in the Church Hall after 10.30am Mass this Sunday. All are most welcome.

Line Dancing will be on in the hall this Monday from 10.30am until 12.30pm. Please come along.

Impact Arts are now doing Qi Gong on Mondays from 1.00pm until 3.00pm in the hall.

Dance With Pace is back on in the hall on Monday evenings from 7.00pm until 8.00pm. Under 65s - £8.00 and over 65s - £5.00.

Tuesday Tea: Tea, coffee, scones and cakes will resume this Tuesday (27th August 2019) in the Church Hall. Please join us for a cuppa and a chat. All are most welcome.

The Ladies Guild Of The Church Of Scotland Linwood are having a tea and musical evening on Tuesday, 27th August 2019 at 7.30pm and have sent an invitation to the ladies of St. Conval's to join them for the evening. Please put your names on the list at the back of the Church if you would like to attend the evening.

Readers: Please take a copy of the new roster (31st August 2019 to 24th November 2019) from the notice board at the side door of the Church.

Parish Website: Please visit: www.stconvals.com to take a look and find out more about our Parish, Mass times and Confessions etc.

Weekly Parish Bulletin: Any items for inclusion in the bulletin (including names for the sick, month's mind and anniversary lists) should be put through the letter box of the Parish House or sent by email: stconval@rcdop.org.uk by **12noon on the Thursday** before publication.

The Hall: Please note that no one in the Parish House can open or close the hall, take bookings or organise functions. The Hall Keeper – Bridget Macfarlane – has the keys and the Bookings Diary, she has the Booking Forms and the Contract that all users are required to complete for insurance purposes. All these matters will be attended to by her, and by her alone, to avoid double bookings and other confusions. She may be contacted by email: bridgetmacfarlane992@gmail.com or tel. 07874007136 or 01505 674782.

Safeguarding Training - Part 2: The new Safeguarding Part 2 Training session is for volunteers who have previously attended Safeguarding Training Part One, or Safeguarding Training Level One, more than 18 months ago. If you attended Safeguarding Training Level One in 2016 or 2017, you should put your name forward for Safeguarding Training Part 2. The first session will take place on Monday, 26th August 2019 at 7.00pm in St. John's, Port Glasgow. Please contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office, tel. 0141 847 6138 or email: safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk to register.

Youth To Lourdes 2020 #vision: We are currently in the process of arranging the Youth to Lourdes Pilgrimage for 2020. The Pilgrimage will leave Scotland on Thursday, 25th June 2020. We will arrive in Lourdes on Friday, 26th June. We will arrive back in Scotland on Friday 3rd July. The Pilgrimage is open to anyone in the present S3, S4, S5 or S6. The cost this year is £575.00. The deposit to reserve a place is £75.00. If deposits are paid, however, by or on Sunday, 1st September 2019 we will be able to offer a reduced price of £535.00 #earlybirdoffer. Places are reserved only upon payment of the deposit and the return of the application form. Our first group meeting will be at the St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Centre, 45 High Street, Paisley on Sunday, 1st September at 1.30pm. If you like to know more, please contact Fr. John Morrison at St. Fergus', Paisley, email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel. 0141 889 5056.

The Relics Of St. Therese Of Lisieux: The relics arrive in less than a month's time. Please take a prayer card, information leaflet and petitions home with you. Pray for the success of the visit. You may return your petitions to the Parish in the envelope provided. A Novena to St. Therese will begin on Thursday, 5th September 2019. You can find out more about the national visit on Facebook: St Therese of Lisieux-Scotland 2019 as well as on our Diocesan website and Twitter.

Friends Of Divine Mercy Scotland - Mercy Bus Thanksgiving Mass: You are invited by the Friends of Divine Mercy Scotland to the Thanksgiving Mass on Friday, 6th September 2019 at 7.00pm in Nazareth House Church, 1647 Paisley Road West, Glasgow G52 3QT for another very successful Mercy Bus Tour in 2019. Our team of ten contacted over 1,350 people on the streets of Scotland over the week and gave away Miraculous Medals, Divine Mercy Chaplets and prayers for Our Lady. Four people enquired on how to become a Catholic. Many more came to confessions after being away from the Church for many years. The Lord cured ten lepers and only one went back to thank him. Please come and thank the Lord with us as we celebrate Holy Mass with Fr. Joe Burke and several priests that worked on the Mercy Bus with us. There will be a light buffet after Holy Mass that all are invited to.

Annual Vocations Mass: This year our annual Diocesan Vocations Mass will take place on Tuesday, 10th September 2019 at 7.00pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral. Please come along and pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life in our Diocese. Refreshments will be available in the Cathedral halls after Mass. All welcome.

The Relics Of St. Therese Of Lisieux will be in the Diocese from 14th to 16th September 2019. Arrival St. Mary's, Greenock, with Mass at 5.30pm, followed by Veneration of the Relics by the faithful 12midnight All-night Vigil with Veneration of the Relics and prayers until 5.00am on 15th September then Veneration of the Relics and parish visits continue. Mass 9.30am and departure of Relics for St. Mirin's. 12noon Mass at St. Mirin's, 2.30pm Polish Mass, 5.00pm Evening Prayer and Benediction. Cathedral open all night for vigil and visits. 16th September Masses 10.00am, 12noon then departure of Relics. See Diocesan website for more details.

Bus to Cathedral for 10.00pm on 15th September 2019 for the Veneration of the Relics of St. Therese of Lisieux. Bus will leave St. Aidan's, Johnstone at 9.15pm and then St. Conval's, Linwood at 9.30pm to arrive at Cathedral at 9.45pm. Bus will leave Cathedral at 11.15pm to St. Conval's and then St. Aidan's. £2.00 per adult for bus. Please hand in names for bus by Thursday, 12th September. There is a list at the back of the Church, please write your name on the list if you wish to go. At present, there are 20 places available.