

# Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024

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### Services

Saturday:	5.30pm	Vigil Mass in St. Conval's.
Sunday:	10.30am	Mass in St. Conval's.
Monday:	10.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.
Tuesday:	10.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.
Thursday:	6.00pm	Mass in St. Conval's followed by Exposition and Benediction at 6.50pm.
Friday:	10.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.
	12.25pm	Mass in St. Benedict's High School.

### Ash Wednesday

	8.50am	Service with Distribution of Ashes in St. Benedict's High School.
	10.00am	Mass with Distribution of Ashes in St. Conval's.
	6.00pm	Service with Distribution of Ashes in St. Conval's.

### Confessions

Saturday:	5.00pm	Available in the Meeting Room before Vigil Mass.
Thursday:	6.30pm	Available in the Meeting Room during Exposition as required.

**Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick:** Andrew Irvine, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Donald, Margaret Higgins, Lorraine Pollock, Joe Mitchell, Paul Kearney, George and Helen Lawson, Charlie Deighan, Margaret Sweeney, Renato Edoni and for those who are working so hard to care for the sick especially those who work in our hospitals.

**Please Pray For Those Who Have Died Recently:** Linda Martin, Stephen Hughes and Molly Ballantyne.

**Anniversaries:** Karen Busby, Margaret Rae, Sean McDade, John McMahon and James McMahon.

**Month's Mind:** Angela Adams, Jim Clark and Thomas McGourlick.

**This Weekend** there will be a special second collection for SPRED. This collection, on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, will help fund the great work that SPRED do for our parishioners with special needs, helping them understand and celebrate their faith. Thank you, in anticipation, for your financial support.

**Collection Baskets:** We do not pass the Collection basket from hand to hand during Mass at the Preparation of the Gifts (and for Second Collections) to avoid interrupting everyone's Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion. So, the Basket for the Offertory Collection will be in the Porch as you enter and the Basket for the various Second Collections - which will be named - will be on the Altar Rail as you leave. Many of you now support the Parish by Standing Order or Electronically (for which Fr. Michael is most grateful) though for many causes the physical collection is their only opportunity for you to offer your financial support. Please continue to offer these causes your support. (If you forget the Offertory Collection on the way in, please leave your donation beside the Second Collection Basket as you leave.)

**Live Streaming:** Services are Live Streamed and can be viewed on our YouTube Channel. Weekday Services will be available until 11.59pm on the day they are "live". Edited versions of Sunday Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses will also be uploaded to view later.

**Sunday Tea:** Tea and coffee will be available in the hall after the 10.30am Mass. All are welcome to come in for a cuppa and a chat.

**Tuesday Tea:** Please join us in the hall after the 10.00am Mass for tea, coffee and cakes. All are most welcome.

**Ash Wednesday - 14<sup>th</sup> February:** Please see the table above for details of Services.

**The Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be recited on Friday morning after the 10.00am Mass.

**Stations Of The Cross:** There will be Stations of the Cross on Mondays during Lent after morning Mass. This year's Stations of the Cross from SCIAF (the Diocese of Paisley were involved in their preparation) can be found at: <http://tinyurl.com/mrwzvp29> There are a few copies of these available in the Church - if you use them please leave them in the Church for others to use! Thank you!

**Calendar For Lent:** Calendars for our younger parishioners are available (free) in the porch.

**Lenten Prayer Books** are available in the porch (cost £1.00). These contain a daily prayer and reflection for the Holy Season - it may be a useful aid as part of your Lenten observance.

**Thinking About** taking the short term pledge for Lent? Please see the poster and prayer cards in the Church entrance for more information.

**Children's Liturgy** will continue on the first Sunday of each month. The next session will take place in the meeting room on 3<sup>rd</sup> March at the 10.30am Mass. All children are welcome. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: [gemma.eyp@gmail.com](mailto:gemma.eyp@gmail.com)

**Food Parcels:** We will continue to collect cash, foodstuffs and toiletries for distribution. Many thanks for your generosity which is much appreciated by those worrying how to feed their families!

**Gift Aid Envelopes 77 And 89:** Fr. Michael wishes to contact the parishioners using these envelopes to match Gift Aid Donations to Gift Aid Declarations. Could they please write their name, telephone number or email address on their envelopes during February or contact him by email or phone? Thank you.

**Collection Envelopes:** If any members of the Parish Community would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme, sealed sterile Gift Aid Packs - which are all the same - containing a box of envelopes for 2023-2024, a Gift Aid Declaration (GAD) Form, a Standing Order Form, a Thank You Letter and Statement of Account are available in the House Porch. Please take the sealed sterile pack home with you. The Gift Aid Declaration (GAD) Form should then be completed and the signed GAD Form posted in the Parish House.

**Hall Bookings And Enquiries:** Please contact Bridie Macfarlane, email: [macfarlanebridget60@gmail.com](mailto:macfarlanebridget60@gmail.com) or tel. 07874007136.

**Funerals And Christenings** can be catered for in the Church Hall. Catering includes sausage rolls, sandwiches, cakes, tea and coffee at a cost of £6.00 per person. Please see Ann McGivern (tel. 01505 343223) for more details.

**In The House Porch** there are copies of the Bulletin, Census Forms and Standing Order Forms. If you would like a copy of the Bulletin or any of these forms, but cannot get out to collect them, please email the Parish with your address and you can have them delivered by email or by hand.

**Think Vocation:** "Whatever you do, do it for the glory of God" (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading). The priestly life is one where everything is given over to God's glory. Could you give that gift? Contact our local Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison tel. 0141 889 5056 or email: [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk)

**Ash Wednesday Masses And Services:** The Diocesan Communications Commission has created a single page listing of all Ash Wednesday Masses and Services on the Diocesan website, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/39rhyj7d> You can search the list by parish, by town, or by time of day. Following on from the pilot at Christmas, all future Holy Days of Obligation and Ash Wednesday Services will be listed in this way.

**40 Days For Life:** Ash Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February until Palm Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March. What are you going to do for Lent? Please consider joining our 40 Days for Life Peaceful Prayer and Fasting Vigil outside of the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow. Our Vigil takes place from 8.00am until 8.00pm each day from Ash Wednesday until 8.00pm on Palm Sunday evening. According to Worldometer / Abortion 44.6 million babies were aborted globally in 2023. For information, email: [Ogilvie1615@outlook.com](mailto:Ogilvie1615@outlook.com)

**P4-P7 Lenten Retreat Day:** This Diocesan retreat takes place on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> February from 2.00pm until 5.30pm in St. Mary's, Paisley. It will start in the Church Hall. The retreat day will include activities, Mass and the chance to meet new friends. All participants must bring a signed consent form which can be obtained from your Parish or Primary School, or by contacting Fr. John Morrison, email: [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk) or tel. 0141 889 5056. The forms will soon be available on the Diocesan website.

**Synod 2023-2024:** The most recent Synod document, the Synthesis Report, can be found on the Diocesan website, along with a list of suggested Proposals. Please send any comments, etc. on these documents to: [synod23@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:synod23@rcdop.org.uk) or Synod Response, c/o Diocesan Offices by 23<sup>rd</sup> February. All responses will contribute towards the official Diocesan response.