Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin 5th Sunday of Easter (A) 6th / 7th May 2023

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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	Confirmation in St. Conval's.	
Friday:	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion in St. Conval's.	
-	12.25pm	Mass in St. Benedict's High School.	
Confessions			
Saturday:	5.00pm	Available in the Meeting Room before Vigil Mass.	
Tuesday:	9.50am	Available in the Meeting Room before 10.00am Mass.	

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Andrew Irvine, Gary Danks, John Gilmartin, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Donald, Eileen Hicks, Philip Tony Quigley 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: Margaret (Rita) Turner (Funeral on Friday 19th May at 10.00am).

Anniversaries: William and Margaret McGuire and Irene Carroll.

Month's Mind: Thomas McGourlick and Elsie Muggins.

Congratulations To The Pupils Of Primary 4 in Our Lady of Peace Primary School who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday morning. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. Please also pray for those children who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday evening.

Second Collection: This weekend's second collection is for the Building Fund which is to pay off the debt to the Diocese.

SCIAF: Could all SCIAF Lenten Boxes be returned to the Parish as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Post Covid-19: 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: All 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.

Children's Liturgy takes place in the meeting room at the 10.30am Mass this weekend. All children are welcome. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: gemma.eyp@gmail.com

Stall: The Stall is open at the weekend. If there is anything you would wish the Stall to stock, please speak to Ann McGivern or Marie Sheerin.

Sunday Tea: Due to illness there will be no tea this week.

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

Thursday Evening: Please note there will be no Mass, Confession, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament due to Confirmation at 6.00pm.

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

Ascension Thursday on 18th May is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be at 10.00am and 6.00pm.

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!

Collection Envelopes: The boxes of envelopes for 2023-2024 can be uplifted from the Sacristy after Mass. If you pay by Standing Order, please still uplift a box of envelopes for two reasons; some feel embarrassed at not putting anything in the Collection Basket and though the Standing Order supports the Parish week to week, boxes of envelopes contain an envelope for the Special Second Collections - you may wish to support a particular one of them in a particular way.

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, 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.

Cleaning Rota: Any parishioner who wishes to volunteer to clean the Church every third Thursday from 11th May, please come to the Church at 10.00am that morning.

Fashion Show: The Fashion Show will now take place on Sunday, 4th June. All tickets purchased for the cancelled show on 30th April are still valid. Please keep your tickets. If anyone would like a refund or to buy tickets, please see Margaret Gardner or Barbara Anderson.

Hall Bookings And Enquiries: Please contact Bridie Macfarlane, 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 £5.00 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: "They elected seven men full of the Holy Spirit." Could you be called like those seven men to a life of service in the diaconate? Perhaps you feel a call to priesthood or consecrated life instead. Speak to our Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel. 01418895056.

Fatima Vigils - Howwood: This Friday we will begin our 2023 season of Vigils in honour of Our Lady of Fatima; these run from May until October. The facilities will be open from 7.00pm, Rosary Procession at 7.30pm, followed by the celebration of Mass, finishing with a period of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Hall open for tea / coffee thereafter. All welcome - come join us in honouring Our Blessed Lady and praying for peace!

A Family Day With Mary - Sunday, 14th May: Join families from throughout the Diocese in St. John's, Barrhead for an afternoon of celebration and fun in honour of Mary Our Mother, including prayer, activity and games for children. The day will begin with refreshments at 2.00pm and conclude with Holy Mass at 4.00pm celebrated by Bishop John.

Youth To Lourdes Fundraiser: Help our young pilgrims raise necessary funds for their Pilgrimage to Lourdes by supporting this Race Night. The Fundraiser and Social for Youth to Lourdes takes place on Friday, 26th May in St. Mary's Church Hall, Paisley. Entry costs £5.00. 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. BYOB. Reserve tickets by emailing: iainmclean@rcdop.org.uk Raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

Diocesan Young Adults (18-35): Our series of talks, In God's Image: A Defence of Catholic Moral Teaching, continues on Wednesday, 31st May. In the next talk, The Lord Gave, and the Lord Has Taken Away, Dr. Joseph Bradley will discuss euthanasia. Please arrive at the Diocesan Office before 7.00pm. The talk will be followed by an opportunity to socialise over drinks in a local bar. Details of future talks in the series can be found on Facebook.