

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Services

Saturday: 5.00pm Vigil Mass in St. Fillan's.
6.00pm Vigil Mass in St. Conval's.
Sunday: 9.30am Mass in St. Fillan's.
11.00am Mass in St. Conval's.
Monday: 10.00am Mass in St. Conval's.
Tuesday: 9.30am Mass in St. Fillan's.
Thursday: 9.30am Mass in St. Fillan's.
Friday: 10.00am Mass in St. Conval's.

Confessions

Saturday: St. Fillan's Available before Vigil Mass or any time on request.
St. Conval's Available in the Meeting Room after Vigil Mass or any time on request.

Psalm Response

Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Andrew Irvine, John O'Donoghue, Lorraine Pollock, Paul Kearney, George and Helen Lawson, Celia and Albert Mackie, James Graham, Fr. Alex Davie, Fergus Joseph Martin, Maureen Cowie, Donny Steele, Pauline Ward, Jean Conroy, Margaret Devlin McFadden, Gerard McCartney, Kiaran O'Mahoney OSA 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: Jane Morrison.

Anniversaries: James Whyte, Jimmy McGivern, Robert and Helen Graham, Elizabeth McMahon, Neil McMahon, Alex Williamson and Joe Martin.

Month's Mind: Dennis O'Neill, Sean O'Neill and Tommy Fulton.

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.)

My Giving Hub: If Parishioners wish to donate to the Parish using the My Giving Hub, they need only scan the QR code at the top of the bulletin and decide the amount.

Live Streaming: Services are Live Streamed and can be viewed on our YouTube Channel. These will be available until 11.59pm on the day they are "live".

Children's Liturgy is taking a break for the summer and will resume on 7th September. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: gemma.eyp@gmail.com

Tuesday Tea is taking a well deserved break and will be back in September.

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: If any members of the Parish Community would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme, sealed Gift Aid Packs are available in the House Porch. Please take the sealed 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 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.

The Companies contracted by the Insurers to carry out the repairs have almost (finally) concluded their work. The roof of the House is now restored and made good, the roof of the Outbuilding at the back of the House is replaced and the fallen tree and the wall it brought down have been removed. That wall is to be reconstructed. The scaffolding remains at the back of the Church as there is a problem ensuring a watertight seal between the existing and the new roof panels which they installed. They assure me they have a solution but the weather has been too dry to test it.

Bible Study In St. Aidan's, Johnstone will re-start on Monday, 1st September at 7.00pm in the Parish House. Using a course called "Genesis to Jesus," we will learn about the story of God's covenant with His People, especially in the Old Testament. Please bring a Bible if you have one, but don't worry if you don't!

Season Of Creation Conference: The Bishops' Office for Care of Creation invites you to their National Season of Creation Conference on Saturday, 6th September in St. Margaret's, Raploch from 10.00am until 3.00pm. Come and join Archbishop Nolan and our special guest Lorna Gold, the Executive Director of the global Laudato Si Movement. To book a place, please visit: www.bcos.org.uk/scc25

Diocesan Vocations Mass: We are pleased to invite you to the Diocesan Vocations Mass on Thursday, 11th September at 7.00pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley. Bishop John warmly encourages your attendance as we come together to pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life. Additionally, we will have a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis present that evening just days after his Canonisation on 7th September.

The Martyr-Saints Of The North-West: Join us from 12th to 14th September for a weekend studying some of the Reformation era martyrs of the North-West region. Part retreat, part biographical, the weekend will be led by Mgr. John Allen of Salford Diocese, who has recently published a history of the Diocese with a foreword by Eamon Duffy. For more information and to book, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/569mjmyt>

The 2025 Centenary Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 21st September from 12.30pm until 6.00pm in St. Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh EH1 1NA. 12.30pm-1.30pm: Refreshments and sale of candles / goods; 1.30pm-2.30pm: Holy Hour; 3.00pm-4.00pm: Reflection; 4.30pm: Holy Mass Concelebrated with Archbishop Cushley. Confessions available all day.

Want To Become A Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process will be starting soon in a Parish near you. For more information, please contact your local Parish Priest or fill in the enquiry form, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/2myykt9u> where you will find more information about the process.

Additional Teaching Qualification In Religious Education (Catholic Schools): The St. Andrews Foundation for Catholic Teacher Education is delighted to offer the opportunity for teachers to gain an additional qualification in religious education. The ATQRE course fulfils the academic requirement for applying to the GTCS for professional registration as a specialist Religious Education teacher in the Catholic Secondary school. The course begins in August 2025. For all details including teaching dates and costs visit: <https://tinyurl.com/3dhkyav7> The Diocese of Paisley support ATQRE and will pay one third of the fees for any applicants who live in the Diocese and attend Bishop John's support sessions. For details visit: <https://tinyurl.com/5n947x5y>