

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Eleanor McMahon, Tracy Gallagher, Marie Murphy 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: Stephen Pearson (Family Funeral on Thursday Morning), Cathie Dowling and Joanne McFarlane.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: James Lowe, Thomas Flood, Helen Stewart, Patrick Clarke, Betty Beaton and for the month's mind of Alex Williamson, Madge Lowe, Charles Pringle, John Anderson, Ann and William McAdam, William Gourlay and Bobby McColgan.

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

Special Collection For Holy Places - Change Of Date: Due to Covid-19 and the closure of our Churches, The Holy See has asked that the Diocese choose another suitable date for the collection for Holy Places. As a Diocese we have chosen the Sunday nearest The Exaltation of the Cross - Sunday, 12th September. This collection is for the upkeep and repair of the fifty shrines that are dear to Christians and pilgrims the world over: and for the Church's pastoral, educational, social and cultural mission in the Holy Land, including the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the Church of Mary and Joseph's Homes in Nazareth, Peter's House in Capernaum, the Upper Room of the Last Supper and of Pentecost and the Church of the Calvary and the Holy Sepulchre. In 2018 this collection raised £18,048 which is fully remitted to the Commissariat of the Holy Land.

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. There are also Memorial Cards for Canon Healy, Lenten Prayer Calendars for Priests of the Diocese, 'Day by Day' Lent Prayer Books and copies of a form of the Stations of The Cross (also available on our Facebook page and website).

Fr. Michael is attempting to compile a database of the Parish to help us stay in touch with one another - there were no records kept by previous Parish Priests. Please take a Census Form from the Porch or visit: <https://tinyurl.com/1bo24gvv> to download the Form for printing. Completed Forms should be returned to the House (outside door of House Porch accessible). All data held in accordance with GDPR.

A Word Of Thanks again for your continued Financial Support of the Parish - our situation will be clearer with the production of our Annual Account which will be available to you all with the distribution of the new sets of Collection Envelopes before 11th April. You have continued to be very generous even when unable to attend Mass by handing in weekly envelopes, Direct Debits and Standing Orders in favour of the Parish electronically, and other donations in various ways. Our income has obviously declined substantially but we have kept our expenditure down also - full details in due course.

St. Benedict's School Cluster Providing Food And Toiletries - Almsgiving In Lent:

St. Conval's Parish Linwood now has its meals project up to full speed and is now providing 200 meals to local families every week through their Hall kitchen and generous volunteer chefs, caterers and drivers. They are now continuing their Lenten Alms Project to provide cooked meals and food parcels for local families. They have already collected enough to get them through Lent and hope your donations will help them continue. You can leave your food for parcels in the Parish House Porch or post donations through the doorway. The link for online giving is: <https://tinyurl.com/3ro5rwzm> Thanks to all who have given of their time, their talent or their treasure!

Holy Week And Easter: We are, at last, able to begin to open up to celebrate Holy Week and Easter together - Deo Gratias! We will revert to the Internet / Telephone Booking System that we used before Christmas as our basis for applying to attend Mass. Rather than emailing the Parish, we seem to have evolved a useful method and timings for booking, so on the link that follows, requests for a place at Mass are available from 7 days until 24 hours before the celebration of Mass on the Internet, from 24 hours until 2 hours before the celebration of Mass telephone bookings to the Parish can be requested. Fr. Michael will send you an email or call you back to confirm you have a place, you can come on spec if you wish and if there is space, we will be delighted to welcome you but cannot guarantee a place! Our link for Internet booking is:

<https://forms.gle/ZU2pJCq3s2GyFHnA8>

Our Schedule will be as follows:

Palm Sunday: Vigil 5.30pm and 10.30am

Tuesday Of Holy Week: 10.00am

Holy Thursday: 6.00pm

Good Friday: 3.00pm

Easter Sunday: Vigil 8.00pm and 10.30am

The Scripture Readings for Masses and Services and Morning Prayers for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday are available on our Facebook page and website.

Fr. Michael will also celebrate Mass each day of Easter Week to give everyone a chance to come to Easter Day Mass (Like Christmas every Day of Easter Week [The Octave of Easter] is celebrated as Easter Day) so on Easter Monday, Easter Tuesday, Easter Wednesday and Easter Friday Mass at 10.00am, Easter Thursday at 6.00pm.

Please be thoughtful about allowing others to attend our Holy Week and Easter Masses and Services.

We will celebrate our weekend Masses as usual on 10th / 11th April and then Tuesday (10.00am) and Thursday (6.00pm) for our weekday Masses as usual.

Community Circle Of Prayer: Every Friday evening people gather online at 7.00pm for The Community Circle of Prayer. This half hour event simply consists of a little music, some readings and the opportunity to share our prayer petitions and support others in theirs. Each week there is a different broad theme: we have explored The Call to Discipleship, Care of our Sick, Forgiveness, Guardian Angels, The Faithful Departed, The Way of the Cross to name but a few. Why not spend half an hour with us this Friday in community and fellowship? All welcome from wherever you are. To join please just click the Zoom link below:

<https://zoom.us/j/8510142970?pwd=UUtVa2ZhOFUxa2NSZmJCckZOek0rUT09>