

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Services

Sunday: 5.30pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) and 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 joined by All Pupils from St. Benedict's High School.
1.30pm Mass in St. Conval's joined by P7 Pupils from Our Lady of Peace Primary School.

Confessions

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

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Andrew Irvine, Elizabeth Kelly, Gary Danks, Nellie McNamara, John and Isabella Gilmartin, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, Fr. Oliver Freney, David McNish, Phyllis Spence, Winnie Deighan 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: Gordon Finnegan, Stuart McMillan, Robert Thomson and Kathleen McMonagle.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Annie Muggins, Madge Lowe, Helen Liney, Jimmy Gilligan, Mary and Simon Stevenson, Tommy Fulton and for the month's mind of Jim Clark, Catherine Lowrie, Thomas Simpson, Charles Pringle, John Anderson, William Gourlay, George and Maureen O'Sullivan, James Lowe and Willie McKenna.

Second Collection: There will be a special second collection next week for Peter's Pence. This is the practice of the laity to provide financial support to the Holy See to allow the Holy Father the means to respond to those suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease. Catholics around the world contribute roughly £70m annually through this collection. In 2017 this collection raised £15,191 which is fully remitted to the Apostolic Nunciature.

Post COVID-19 we continue the final steps on our journey to what will be our new normality with care for ourselves and each other. Accordingly, we will 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). Please continue:

- The sanitising of hands on entering and leaving the Church.
- Please remember that you are asked NOT to attend Mass or Liturgies if you are carrying an infection or have symptoms of Covid.
- Thank you to all for your patience, tolerance and understanding for many long difficult days.
- Thank you to those who helped in particular ways to offer the extraordinary help that has been required to allow us to continue to function in the various stages of restriction and lockdown - COVID free (Deo Gratias!).

Live Streaming: All Masses are Live Streamed and can be viewed on our YouTube Channel. Weekday Masses are available for up to 12 hours after they are finished "live". Sunday Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses will also be uploaded to view later.

Please Note That On Friday we will be joined by all the Pupils from St. Benedict's High School at 10.00am Mass and P7 Pupils from Our Lady of Peace Primary School at 1.30pm Mass. All welcome for either or both.

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

Funerals And Christenings can be catered for in the Church Hall. Catering includes sausage rolls, cakes, sandwiches, tea and coffee at a cost of £5 per person. Please see Ann McGivern (tel. 01505 343223) for more details.

Weekly Parish Bulletin: In order to cut down on printing costs for the parish and to be more environmentally friendly as a parish, we would like to start an email mailing list to issue the Weekly Parish Bulletin. Printed copies will still be available for those who prefer a paper copy or who don't use or have access to email. If you would like to be part of the mailing list, please email: stconval@rcdop.org.uk

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 Parish have produced a Cookbook with many delicious baking recipes. Copies are available £1.50.

Collection Envelopes: The Gift Aid boxes of envelopes for 2022-2023 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.

Bishop John Has Been Encouraging The Priests Of The Diocese to try to share some duties over the Summer to allow for holidays as there are very few priests available to supply cover. As you may know St. Margaret's and St. Aidan's in Johnstone share over the Summer months (tweaking Mass times enabling one priest to cover both Parishes) and Inverclyde Deanery runs a Summer Schedule for this same reason.

Fr. Andrew in Houston and Fr. Michael in Linwood have decided - with the support of Bishop John and their Parish Pastoral Councils - to try the same this year in both Parishes, allowing one of them to cover both and the other to have a holiday. So for the School Holidays in July and August (from Monday, 4th July until Friday, 19th August inclusive) the following schedule will apply:

Sunday:	5.00pm	Vigil Mass (Saturday) in St. Fillan's.
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (Saturday) in St. Conval's.
	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.

Funerals to take place in the Parish of Residence of the Deceased on the days when Mass is Celebrated there.

Baptisms (if required): St. Fillan's - Saturday 3.30pm, St. Conval's - Sunday 12.30pm.

Confessions: Before the Vigil Mass in St. Fillan's and after in St. Conval's.

As you see this involves some rescheduling of Sunday Mass times and fewer weekday Masses for both Parish Communities - but each will, of course, welcome visitors from the other Parish. Please update your diaries and if you wish to offer transport to other Parishioners, or if you wish to ask for transport, please speak to Fr. Andrew or Fr. Michael or email your Parish.

Think Vocation: "When the Spirit of Truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth." Ask the Holy Spirit to guide young people as they discern the life God is calling them to. Perhaps you are discerning a call to priesthood or religious life. Speak to our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, tel. 0141 889 5056 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Family Rosary Book: We invite all families to make a special pledge to pray the family rosary at home every day. Family Rosary Books have been specially commissioned and printed to guide families in this simple devotion, visit: <http://marriagefamilylife.org/books>