

# Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (B) 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> April 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 Funeral Mass for Margaret Taylor in St. Conval's.  
Tuesday: 10.00am Service of the Word with Holy Communion in St. Conval's.  
Friday: 10.00am Service of the Word with Holy Communion in St. Conval's.

### Confessions

Saturday: 5.00pm Available in the Meeting Room before Vigil Mass or any time on request.

**Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick:** Andrew Irvine, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, Joe Mitchell, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Donald, Margaret Higgins, Lorraine Pollock, Paul Kearney, George and Helen Lawson, 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:** Margaret Taylor (Funeral on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April at 10.00am), Michael Quinn (Funeral on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> April at 10.00am) and Martin Russell (Funeral on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April at 10.00am).

**Anniversaries:** Flewit (Frank) McAlpine, Annie McAlpine, Betty Horsburgh and Bridget McColgan.

**Month's Mind:** Jean Keevins, Thomas McGourlick and Elsie Muggins.

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

**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.

**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

**Sunday Tea Will Not Be Available In The Hall** after the 10.30am Mass this weekend. Please note there will be no Sunday Tea on 14<sup>th</sup> April as the Fashion Show is on.

**Fr. Michael** is taking the RE Department of St. Benedict's away for a few days retreat this week. There will therefore be a Service of the Word with Holy Communion on Tuesday and Friday, and no Mass on Thursday evening. Please remember in your prayers those who work so hard to help our young people know the Lord.

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

**Friday Morning:** The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited after the 10.00am Service of the Word.

**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!

**Please Take A Copy** of the Annual Statement of Accounts available in the Porch.

**Financial Support:** Thanks to your continued generosity in March, Fr. Michael received £3,251 from the contributions to the weekly Offertory Collection which you have made with envelopes and donations. He also received second collection contributions of £475 for SCIAF and retiral collection contributions of £204 for the Holy Places. The Building Fund collection in March amounted to £467. Your ongoing generous support of the Parish by envelopes, donations, standing orders or through the Diocesan debit / credit card portal is greatly appreciated as it enables us to continue to function despite all the challenges that these days bring.

**Collection Envelopes:** Thank you to those who have signed up for Gift Aid (a scheme whereby HMRC gives to the Parish the tax which you have paid on the money that you give the Parish - 25p in every £1. All that is required is a form signed and a numbered envelope to maintain a record of your donations to enable Fr. Michael to claim). This year - thanks to your ongoing generosity in 2022-2023 - HMRC gave the Parish £10,344.21. They will also give the Parish a further £2,000.00 as a flat rate 'guesstimate' for the monies given 'loose' in the plate which has been taxed. The boxes of envelopes for 2024-2025 can be uplifted from the Sacristy. 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, please call into the Sacristy to collect a Gift Aid pack.

**A Fashion Show** will be held in the hall on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> April - 1.00pm for 1.30pm. Tickets are priced £3.00. Cake, tea and coffee included in the price of the ticket. Raffle tickets are 4 strips for £2.00. Raffle prizes accepted. Please see Barbara Anderson (tel. 07738431708) or Bridie MacFarlane (tel. 07874007136) for tickets.

**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.

**Think Vocation:** "The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue." Jesus gave everything out of love for us. Are you being called to reflect the Master's sacrifice by offering yourself as a priest? Please speak to our local Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, tel. 0141 889 5056 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

**St. Conval's Cemetery Easter Mass** will take place on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm, Divine Mercy Sunday, celebrated by Bishop John. All are welcome. Live Stream link is: <https://tinyurl.com/3984x4kf>

**Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions** on 7<sup>th</sup> April in St. Mary's, Paisley. Holy Hour at 4.00pm and Holy Mass at 5.00pm celebrated by Bishop John and Mgr. Joe Burke.

**Due To A Scheduling Conflict** the talk for Young Adults due to take place on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April has been postponed. A new date will be announced soon.