

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Services

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.

Confessions

Saturday:	St. Fillan's	Available before Vigil Mass.
	St. Conval's	Available in the Meeting Room after Vigil Mass.

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Andrew Irvine, Elizabeth Kelly, Gary Danks, John and Isabella Gilmartin, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, Fr. Oliver Freney, David McNish, Phyllis Spence, Winnie Deighan, John O'Donoghue 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: Edward Hill (Funeral on Monday, 18th July at 10.00am in St. Conval's), Anne Ryan, John Mallan and Rita (O'Neill) McGuinness.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Margaret Deighan, John Dempsey, James O'Shea Snr and for the month's mind of Gillian McGourlick, Angela Adams and Jim Clark.

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.

Next Sunday (24th July) will mark the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. It falls on the Sunday nearest to the Feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne. There are numerous resources to be found on the Catholic Grandparents Association website, visit: tinyurl.com/5answhmc There are very good resources available on the website, including catechetical material and a message from Pope Francis about care for the elderly and grandparents, visit: tinyurl.com/45ts4p5h

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

Tuesday Tea is taking a break and will recommence after the schools return in August.

Summer Schedule: 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. Fr. Andrew in Houston and Fr. Michael in Linwood have tweaked their Mass times to allow one of them to cover both Parishes and the other to have a holiday. The schedule detailed in the table overleaf will apply from Monday, 4th July until Friday, 19th August inclusive. 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.

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.

Young Adults (18-30): The Diocese has organised a series of talks on the Divine Praises. The next talk of the series will be on the Eucharist by Bishop Hugh Gilbert. This will take place on Wednesday, 27th July at 7.00pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral and will be followed by Benediction and a BBQ and drinks. Details of all talks can be found on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DoPYoungAdults>.

Safe Access (Abortion Services) Scotland Bill Consultation: Please see below an opportunity to take part in a consultation on the proposed bill to introduce buffer zones around healthcare facilities that provide abortion services. The consultation has been sent to us by the Scottish Government to send on to any groups or individuals who would like to comment on the proposals. You can complete the consultation form online, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/53w4ty57> You can fill in the form and return it via email or post. The form can also be found at the end of the consultation document, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/2s3ea8r7>

Fundraising For HCPT 2022-2023: The recently published book, Celtic Minded 5 (£15), is being sold to allow around £5 of its proceeds to help local HCPT Lourdes funds (with 25% also going to the Celtic FC Foundation charity). Several chapters have a particularly Catholic and religious focus (schools, community, charity, ethos, heritage), including from Bishop John who reflects on Celtic's Catholic roots and their meaning for the Church today. If you can take a box (26 copies) or can use contacts to help raise money to send kids and helpers to Lourdes in July and at Easter 2023, please contact Dr. Joe Bradley, Editor, email: jmbradleyresearch@gmail.com

Think Vocation: "The word is very near to you." If you think God might be calling you to bring God's word to his people as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life, speak to our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel. 0141 889 5056.