

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Services

Sunday: 5.30pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) in St. Conval's.
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.
12.25pm Mass in St. Benedict's High 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, John and Isabella Gilmartin, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, David McNish, Winnie Deighan, John O'Donoghue, Anne Coote, Matthew Gilmour, Nellie McNamara, Clare Ghammrawi and for those who are working so hard to care for the sick especially those who work in our hospitals.

Anniversaries: James Whyte, Susan Muggins, John Hillan, Margaret Ward and Neil McMahon.

Month's Mind: Ann and William McAdam and Jim Malley.

Deacon Martin Doherty Funeral Arrangements: His Funeral Mass will be in St. James', Renfrew on Wednesday, 31st August at 12noon (Reception will be just before Mass.) followed by Cremation at the Hurler Crematorium at 2.00pm. We keep Martin's family in our prayers at this sad time for them and pray for the happy repose of his good soul.

Next Weekend there will be a second collection for the Building Fund which is to pay off the debt to the Diocese.

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.

Tuesday Tea will return on Tuesday, 30th August. All are welcome to join us for a cuppa, cake and a chat after the 10.00am Mass.

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

Our Summer Schedule has now come to an end and we revert to our normal scheduling of Masses in both St. Conval's and St. Fillan's. Thank you for your flexibility over the past six weeks which allowed Fr. Michael (and Fr. Andrew) to get a holiday - Fr. Michael's longest holiday for 23 years! Fr. Michael would be happy to hear your feedback of how it all worked out for us - to tweak holiday planning in the future.

Hall Bookings And Enquiries: Please contact Bridie Macfarlane, tel. 07874007136

Funerals And Christenings can be catered for in the Church Hall. Catering includes sausage rolls, cakes, sandwiches, tea and coffee at a cost of £5.00 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.

Vigil Prayer For The Feast Of St. Jeanne Jugan: Please join our Little Sisters Community in an evening of special Rosary and Prayers of Reflection on Monday, 29th August at 7.00pm in the Little Sisters' Home, Greenock, in preparation for the Feast of their founder, Saint Jeanne Jugan. All welcome.

Youth To Lourdes 2023: Our pilgrimage returns this summer. In S3-S6? Do you wish to serve others? Learn more about your faith? Meet other young people? If so, then Youth to Lourdes could be for you. This year the pilgrimage will leave Scotland on Thursday, 29th June. We will arrive in Lourdes on Friday, 30th June. We will arrive back in Scotland on Friday, 7th July. The pilgrimage costs £650.00 but if you pay your deposit by or on Sunday, 11th September, you'll qualify for a discounted price of £625.00. The deposit is £60.00 *#earlybird*. Want to know more? Contact Fr. John Morrison, tel. 01418895056 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or follow us on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter. Our first group meeting / information is at the Paisley Diocesan Offices (just by St. Mirin's Cathedral) on Sunday, 11th September at 2.00pm.

Diocesan Vocations Mass And 75th Anniversary Of The Diocese: Bishop John will celebrate this special Mass on Thursday, 15th September on the Feast of St. Mirin in the Cathedral at 7.00pm. All welcome to attend, refreshments in the Hall afterwards.

Mass For Marriage: Bishop John warmly invites all who wish to celebrate and give thanks for the gift of marriage, especially engaged and married couples, to the Diocese of Paisley's Inaugural Mass for Marriage at 12noon on Sunday, 18th September in St. Mirin's Cathedral. Reception in the Cathedral Hall to follow. Details of those celebrating significant anniversaries can be emailed to Rebecca Harrison at the Marriage and Family Office (marriageandfamily@rcdop.org.uk).

Think Vocation: Jesus teaches us a way of humility and kindness to the needy. Such a way can be lived out in religious life or in a life of service as a priest or deacon. Could that be your way? Talk to our local Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, tel. 01418895056 or email vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Paisley Diocese Supports Setting Out On The Road: The course leads to the award of the Catholic Teacher's Certificate (CTC) enabling the recipient to teach Religious Education in the Catholic School. It is taught by the St. Andrew's Foundation for Catholic Teacher Education at the University of Glasgow. Setting Out On The Road is for qualified teachers who have not yet obtained their CTC. If you have applied to Glasgow University for this course, the cost is fully refunded by the Diocese on completion of the course and by attending Bishop John's Monthly Support Seminars. For Seminar dates please contact Marianne Boland, email: curia@rcdop.org.uk