

# Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

## 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (A) 20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023

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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 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.

### Confessions

Saturday: 5.00pm Available in the Meeting Room before Vigil Mass.  
Tuesday: 9.45am Available in the Meeting Room before 10.00am Mass.  
Thursday: 6.30pm Available in the Meeting Room during Exposition as required.

**Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick:** Andrew Irvine, Gary Danks, John Gilmartin, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Donald, Eileen Hicks, Philip Tony Quigley, Margaret Higgins, Ken Crawley and for those who are working so hard to care for the sick especially those who work in our hospitals.

**Anniversaries:** Tom and Norma Boyce, Charles Pringle, William Gourlay, Thomas McElhinney, John McMenemy, John and Sarah McMenemy, Joseph and Elizabeth Ridge and Family, Jason Reid, Robert Flood and Mary Ferguson.

**Month's Mind:** Annie Muggins, Madge Lowe, James Lowe, John Anderson, Willie McKenna and Tommy Fulton.

**Second Collection:** This weekend's special second collection is for Communications. This collection pays for our national Scottish Catholic Media Office which provides a service to the press and media with information on the activities of the Church in Scotland. The Office supports two employees.

**SCIAF:** Could all SCIAF Lenten Boxes be returned to the Parish as soon as possible. Many thanks.

**Post Covid-19:** 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.

**Stall:** The Stall is open at the weekend. If there is anything you would wish the Stall to stock, please speak to Ann McGivern or Marie Sheerin.

**The Choir** are looking for new members. If anyone is interested, please see Lorna McLintock or come up to the choir loft after Mass on Sunday.

**Sunday Tea:** Tea and coffee will be available in the hall after the 10.30am Mass. All are welcome.

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

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

**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!

**Financial Support:** Thanks to your continued generosity in April, Fr. Michael received £3,476 from the contributions to the weekly Offertory Collection which you have made with envelopes and donations. He has also received retiral collection contributions of £497 for the Holy Places and second collection contributions of £452 for Vocations. The Building Fund collection in April amounted to £466. 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:** The boxes of envelopes for 2023-2024 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.

**Children's Liturgy** will continue on the first Sunday of each month. The next session will take place in the meeting room on 4<sup>th</sup> June at the 10.30am Mass. All children are welcome. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: gemma.eyp@gmail.com

**Fashion Show:** The Fashion Show will now take place on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> June. All tickets purchased for the cancelled show on 30<sup>th</sup> April are still valid. Please keep your tickets. If anyone would like a refund or to buy tickets, please see Margaret Gardner or Barbara Anderson.

**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, sandwiches, cakes, tea and coffee at a cost of £5.00 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 - Seventh Sunday Of Easter:** "All these joined in continuous prayer together" (1<sup>st</sup> Reading). There is a special call to a life dedicated to prayer in a consecrated community. Are you hearing that call? Perhaps you feel a call, rather, to bring others together in prayer in parish or in family life. Contact our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, tel. 01418895056 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

**Youth To Lourdes Fundraiser:** Help our young pilgrims raise necessary funds for their Pilgrimage to Lourdes by supporting this Race Night. The Fundraiser and Social for Youth to Lourdes takes place on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May in St. Mary's Church Hall, Paisley. Entry costs £5.00. 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. BYOB. Reserve tickets by emailing: iainmclean@rcdop.org.uk Raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

**Primary School Day For Pentecost:** The Diocese of Paisley will be facilitating a day of reflection and activities for Primary School pupils (P4-P7) on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> May in St. James', 50 Greenock Road, Paisley. Beginning at 2.00pm and ending with Dinner at 5.00pm (collection time 5.30pm), the afternoon will include activities, catechesis and Mass. Pre-booking is recommended but not required. All attendees will be required to bring a completed consent form. These can be collected from Diocesan Primary Schools, Parishes or by emailing: vocations@rcdop.org.uk For further information or queries, please contact Fr. John Morrison, tel. 01418892602 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk