Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) 7th / 8th October 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.
	12.25pm	Mass in St. Benedict's High School.
Confessions		
Saturday:	5.00pm	Available in the Meeting Room before Vigil Mass or any time on request.
Thursday:	6.30pm	Available in the Meeting Room during Exposition as required.

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Andrew Irvine, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Donald, Margaret Higgens, Lorraine Pollock, Joe Mitchell, Paul Kearney, Stephen Hughes 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: June Todd.

Anniversaries: Mary Barr, Elizabeth Flood, Percy Lucas, Robert Moran, Robert Hunter, Danny Hunter and Bridget Gillespie.

Month's Mind: Thomas McGourlick.

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.

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.

Sunday Tea: Tea and coffee will be available in the hall after the 10.30am Mass. All are welcome to come in for a cuppa and a chat.

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.

November Lists: Please find available the Envelopes and November Lists at the door for us to remember in Prayer at Mass each day of November the Souls of our Faithful Departed. As is our custom, November is a month of special prayer for those gone to God and many of us wish our family members especially remembered. If you complete the list with the names of your dead and hand in the sealed envelope with your offering within, Fr. Michael will open them, place the lists on the Sanctuary and remember them in Mass each day of the month.

Financial Support: Thanks to your continued generosity in September, Fr. Michael received £2,494 from the contributions to the weekly Offertory Collection which you have made with envelopes and donations. He has also received second collection contributions of £393 for Vocations. The Building Fund collection in September amounted to £462. 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.

We Are In Desperate Need Of Toiletries - toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, shower gel, soap etc. If you can help, please put donations into the tubs on the Sanctuary. Many thanks for your continued support.

Collection Envelopes: 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 for 2023-2024, 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.

Fashion Show: There will be a Fashion Show in the Church Hall on Sunday, 15th October - 1.30pm for 2.00pm. Tickets are priced at £3.00. Raffle Tickets will be on sale at £2.00 for 4 Strips. Tea, Coffee and Cake included. All profits go to the Parish. We would be grateful if anyone could donate raffle prizes. Please see Barbara Ann Anderson or Bridie Macfarlane.

Children's Liturgy will continue on the first Sunday of each month. The next session will take place in the meeting room on 5th November 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

Children's Rosary Group will continue on the first Sunday of each month. We will next meet in the Church on 5th November after the 10.30am Mass. Rosaries and prayer books are provided. No prior knowledge of the Rosary is needed. All are welcome. Drinks and snacks will be available afterwards.

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.

Prayer For The Synod: We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts. Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Think Vocation: "Let me sing to my friend of his love for his vineyard." Could you bring the joyful message of God's love for his world by preaching or by apostolic service as a priest, deacon or in religious life? Speak to our Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel. 0141 889 5056.

Young Adults: Our next series of talks, 'Christ in the Covenants', will explore salvation history through the lens of God's covenantal relationships with mankind. Young adults aged 18-35 are invited along to learn more about the Faith and to meet other young Catholics. In the first talk, Fr. Jonathan Whitworth will explore Creation and the Adamic Covenant. Talks begin at 7.00pm in the Diocesan Office (next to St. Mirin's Cathedral) and will end with adoration and Benediction, followed by an opportunity to socialise in a local bar. For more information and to be added to the WhatsApp Group, email: Fr. Ryan, ryan.black@rcdop.org.uk or Fr. Joe, joe.mcgill@rcdop.org.uk The first talk will be at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 11th October.

Gaelic Mass: In St. Mirin's Cathedral on Sunday, 15th October at 5.00pm, celebrated by Canon James MacNeil of the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles. This is taking place as part of the Royal National Mòd, which is in Paisley this year. Fàilte romhaibh uile; all welcome!