

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Patrick Patton Jnr, Ann McDaid 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: Netta Deighan (Family Funeral on Saturday, 10th July at 10.00am), Margaret Walker, John Curran and Theresa Tewiple.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Yohannes Yon G, Thomas McElhoney, James McGinness, Mary and Simon Stevenson, Mary Murphy, James Patton, Daniel Patton, Nellie Patton, Patrick Patton Snr, Marie Patton Nesbit, John Dempsey, Teresa Dempsey, Margaret Madden and for the month's mind of Elsie Muggins.

We Pray For Deacon Joe McGill soon to be ordained a Priest for our Diocese. We pray that Joe and all those preparing for ministerial priesthood may be ever conformed to Jesus, the High Priest. May they preach the Gospel with pure heart and clear conscience. May the Lord let them be shepherds according to His heart, single minded in service to God and the Church.

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

Collection Envelopes: If any parishioners 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.

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. There are also Memorial Cards for Canon Healy.

Fr. Michael is attempting to compile a database of the Parish to help us stay in touch with one another - there were no records kept by previous Parish Priests. Please take a Census Form from the Porch or visit: <https://tinyurl.com/1bo24gvv> to download the Form for printing. Completed Forms should be returned to the House (outside door of House Porch accessible). All data held in accordance with GDPR.

Financial Support: Thanks to your continued generosity in June, Fr. Michael received £2,138 from the contributions to the weekly Offertory Collection which you have made with envelopes and donations. He has also received second collection contributions for Sick and Retired Priests (£454), Peter's Pence (£401) and the Building Fund (£586). 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.

Gift Aid Envelopes 81 And 82: Fr. Michael wishes to contact the parishioners using these envelopes to match Gift Aid Donations to Gift Aid Declarations, could they please write their name, telephone number or email address on their envelopes during July or contact him by email or phone? Thank you!

St. Benedict's School Cluster Providing Food And Toiletries: Thanks to your generosity we have already collected enough to allow us to continue to provide, throughout the School Summer Holidays, 200 meals to local families every week through St. Conval's Parish Hall kitchen and generous volunteer chefs, caterers and drivers. They are now continuing to provide food parcels for local families. You can leave your food for parcels in the parish house porch or post donations through the doorway. The link for online giving is: <https://tinyurl.com/3ro5rwzm> As we look to the future we are concerned that the return to school and the end of 'Furlough' will provoke something of a crisis for those with least to cushion them financially, so we will continue to provide this practical charity - with your help! Thanks to all who have given of their time, their talent or their treasure!

As Churches can move from a cap of 50 to the capacity of the building that allows the 2 metre spacing, St. Conval's has moved to 75 places (a couple, for example, is one space) so we will be able to accommodate almost everyone who wants to attend on a normal week. Obviously we are feeling our way forward very gingerly as we do not want to go backwards again. So please be careful to observe the protocols of not coming if you feel unwell or have a cough, 2 metre spacing, signing up for the weekends (Track and Trace is still required), following the direction of the Stewards, maintaining our distance throughout (especially when we are leaving after Mass), sanitising on entry and exit. Our care has resulted in none of our Parishes being responsible for a single case of transmission - as far as we know - so your heroic efforts and patience have borne great fruit. Let's encourage one another to maintain our high standards of hygiene and self-discipline!

Masses This Week:

Sunday: Vigil 5.30pm and 10.30am
Tuesday: 10.00am
Thursday: 6.00pm
Sunday: Vigil 5.30pm and 10.30am

Advance booking is not required for weekday Mass, only for the weekend. The booking facility will be there which will make it easier for the Stewards, it is not required. If you are coming without a booking, please arrive in good time so that you can be signed in and you do not prevent the Stewards, who have been so generous with their time, being late for Mass.

Internet / Telephone Booking System: Rather than emailing the Parish, the useful method and timings for bookings that have evolved will be used, so on the link that follows, requests for a place at Mass are available from 7 days until 24 hours before the celebration of Mass on the Internet, from 24 hours until 2 hours before the celebration of Mass telephone bookings to the Parish can be requested. Fr. Michael will send you an email or call you back to confirm you have a place, you can come on spec and if there is space, we will be delighted to welcome you but cannot guarantee a place! Our link for Internet booking is:

<https://forms.gle/ZU2pJCq3s2GyFHnA8>

The Second Evening For The Year Of St. Joseph will take place on Monday, 12th July at 7.00pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral. We will be to pray for all our parish volunteers, workers and those involved in our SSVP, Legion of Mary and other organisations, commending them to St. Joseph, Patron Saint of Workers. All welcome to attend this devotion. There will be Exposition, Benediction and Evening Prayer of the Church. Please use the Eventbrite link below to book your tickets. Alternatively, call St. Margaret's Church, Johnstone to book by phone, tel. 01505 320198. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/diocese-of-paisley-33712912941>

Fr. Paul Brady From St. Margaret's In Johnstone is going into hospital for an operation and will be recovering for some time afterwards. The Masses from St. Aidan's and St. Margaret's will therefore be split to allow for both parishes to be covered. Mass times will be as follows:

Weekday Masses

St. Aidan's: 10.00am on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday

St. Margaret's: 10.00am on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Sunday Masses

St. Aidan's: 10.30am and 6.00pm

St. Margaret's: Vigil at 4.00pm and Sunday at 12noon