## Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019

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**Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick:** Carol McKenzie, Isa McClellan, Jackie Robson, Dominic Gallagher, Helen Gallagher, Connie Roche, Thomas McGourlick, Gerry Sheerin and Jimmy Cunningham.

**Please Pray For Those Who Have Died Recently:** Alec Robertson and Elizabeth McGarrity (whose body will be received into the Church on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 immediately prior to her Funeral Mass at 10.00am).

**Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now:** Bridget Gillespie, Frank Liney, Michael Deighan, Elizabeth Flood, Thomas McNamara, Martha Graham, James McElhinney, for the six months mind of Marie Scarff and for the month's mind of Margaret Garvie, Jack Main, Bobby Flood and Thomas Flood.

**Last Week's Collections:** The first amounted to £838.25 of which £365.50 was gift aid and the second for the Building Fund amounted to £592.84. Thank you very much for your great generosity.

**Mission Sunday** will be on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019. There will be a special second collection for Missio Scotland next weekend.

**Gift Aid Envelopes:** If you pay tax please consider signing a Gift Aid Declaration so that your contribution will be increased by a further 25%. The annual refund which the Parish receives from HMRC makes a massive difference to our funds. Please call into the Sacristy after Mass if you would like to become involved in the Gift Aid Scheme.

**Sunday Teas And Coffees:** Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the 10.30am Mass each week. Everyone is very welcome for a cuppa and a chat.

**Finance Update:** Six months into the new Tax Year and as promised, Fr. Michael has a wee update on our Finances. Thanks to your generosity and the efforts of Bridie in the hall and Mena and Deirdre on the stall (our three sources of Income) and Christine and Jim in the house (one of our major expenses), we have a happier financial situation than previously. Our operating loss last year was just over £7,000 and so far this year we have a surplus of over £6,000 as well as contributing over £3,000 to our Building Fund to pay off our debts. So a big thanks to you all and please continue to be generous to the upkeep your Parish as we are now entering the season of Heating Bills and increased Electricity use!

**Line Dancing** will be on in the hall this Monday from 10.30am until 12.30pm. Please come along.

**No Moo** in the hall on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019 as this is the half term holiday.

**Christmas Fayre** will be in the hall on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019 from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. Entry £1.00, Santa's Grotto £2.00, Tables, Hot Chocolate, Raffles. **Parish Website:** Please visit: www.stconvals.com to take a look and find out more about our Parish, Mass times and Confessions etc.

**Weekly Parish Bulletin:** Any items for inclusion in the bulletin (including names for the sick, month's mind and anniversary lists) should be put through the letter box of the Parish House or sent by email: stconval@rcdop.org.uk by **12noon on the Thursday** before publication.

**The Hall:** Please note that no one in the Parish House can open or close the hall, take bookings or organise functions. The Hall Keeper – Bridget Macfarlane – has the keys and the Bookings Diary, she has the Booking Forms and the Contract that all users are required to complete for insurance purposes. All these matters will be attended to by her, and by her alone, to avoid double bookings and other confusions. She may be contacted by email: bridgetmacfarlane992@gmail.com or tel. 07874007136 or 01505 674782.

**Medjugorje Evening** will be held at St. Mary's Church, 163 George Street, Paisley PA1 2UN on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 7.00pm. Rosary will begin at 7.00pm followed by Holy Mass and Adoration animated by the Music Medjugorje Music Group from St. John the Baptist Church Uddingston. There wil be Tea and Coffee after. All are welcome.

**Pro-Life Mass:** On Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 in Blessed John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6.00pm, followed by Rosary at 7.00pm and Mass at 7.30pm. All welcome. The Celebrant will be Fr. Johnson Mathew.

**Safeguarding Training - Induction Part 2:** The new Safeguarding Part 2 Training Session is for volunteers who have previously attended Safeguarding Training Part One or Safeguarding Training Level one more than 18 months ago. If you attended Safeguarding Training Level One in 2016 or 2017, you should put your name forward for Safeguarding Training Part 2. Sessions in 2019 are available on:

Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.00pm in St. Thomas', Neilston

Monday, 28th October at 7.00pm in St. Conval's, Linwood

Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm in St. John's, Barrhead

Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am in St. Mirin's, Paisley

Tuesday ,12th November at 7.00pm in St. Joseph's, Clarkston

Please speak to Ann Stevenson (our Parish's Safeguarding Co-ordinator) to register for any of the above sessions.

**Diocesan Music Day - Christmas Music:** The Diocesan Liturgy Commission will hold a music day for anyone interested in learning more about the music and liturgies for the Christmas Season. This will take place on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at St. John the Baptist Church Hall, Port Glasgow from 11.30am until 2.30pm. The hall can be found at the corner of Balfour Street and Shore Street. We will look at the various Psalms, Masses of Christmas and some new material for carols etc. All welcome to attend.

**Celebrating The Success Of Our Diocesan Schools:** Commendations to our eight Diocesan High Schools in their SQA Awards for 2019. In almost all categories they performed above their Local Authority and National levels of attainment. Successes in the *Pope Francis Award* at P6-P7 and the *Caritas Award* in S6 formally recognised the many works of service undertaken by our young people. Over ninety percent left school for Positive Destinations in Further and Higher Education, employment and training. Maintaining and improving on these results will be a challenge but one that our schools and the Diocese will take on and meet. +Bishop John