

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 7th / 8th September 2019

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Carol McKenzie, Isa McClellan, Jackie Robson, Dominic Gallagher, Connie Roche and Margaret Fitzpatrick.

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died Recently: James McGivern and Aaron Coyle-Bishop.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Mary Inglis, Paul Spence, Catherine Simpson, Roger Simpson and for the month's mind of Robert Hunter, Danny Hunter, The Madden Family, John Dempsey and Betty Dunnion.

Last Week's Collection amounted to £952.40 of which £424.80 was gift aid. Thank you for your generosity.

Second Collection: This weekend's special second collection is for Pro-Life.

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.

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

Impact Arts are now doing QI Gong on Mondays from 1.00pm until 3.00pm in the hall.

Dance With Pace is back on in the hall on Monday evenings from 7.00pm until 8.00pm. Under 65s - £8.00 and over 65s - £5.00.

Parish Trip To Ireland: There will now be no Mass at 7.00am before departure.

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.

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:

Monday, 9th September at 7.00pm in St. Ninian's, Gourrock

Tuesday, 10th September at 7.00pm in St. Patrick's, Greenock

Wednesday, 11th September at 7.00pm in Our Lady of Lourdes, Bishopton

Thursday, 19th September at 7.00pm in St. Mirin's, Paisley

Tuesday, 22nd October at 7.00pm in St. Thomas', Neilston

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

Tuesday, 29th October at 7.00pm in St. John's, Barrhead

Thursday, 7th 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.

Annual Vocations Mass: This year our annual Diocesan Vocations Mass will take place on Tuesday, 10th September 2019 at 7.00pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral. Please come along and pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life in our Diocese. Refreshments will be available in the Cathedral halls after Mass. All welcome.

The Relics Of St. Therese Of Lisieux will arrive in the Diocese next weekend. Our Novena to her commenced on Thursday, 5th September 2019. The basic Itinerary is:

Saturday, 14th September

5.30pm Reception and Vigil Mass St. Mary's, Greenock followed by private and Parish visits.

Sunday, 15th September

12midnight-5.00am - All night Vigil, 9.30am Mass and departure for St. Mirin's Cathedral.

12noon Mass at Cathedral. Polish Mass 2.30pm. 5.00pm Evening Prayer and Benediction.

Parish and private visits between Liturgies.

Monday, 16th September

12midnight-6.00am - All night Vigil followed by Masses. Mass at 12noon - open to all, followed by our farewell to the Relics.

See leaflets and Paisley Diocese website for more details. Both Churches will be open at all times while the Relics are present.

Veneration Of The Relics Of St. Therese Of Lisieux: Bus to Cathedral for 10.00pm on 15th September. Bus will leave St. Aidan's, Johnstone at 9.15pm and then St. Conval's, Linwood at 9.30pm to arrive at Cathedral at 9.45pm. Bus will leave Cathedral at 11.15pm to St. Conval's and then St. Aidan's. £2.00 per adult for bus. Please hand in names for bus by Thursday, 12th September. There is a list at the back of the Church, please write your name on the list if you wish to go. At present, there are 20 places available.

The Annual SCES Parents' Gathering will take place on Saturday, 21st September 2019 at St. Francis Xavier's Primary School, Merchiston Avenue, Falkirk and will run from 9.30am until 3.00pm. The theme for this year's parent gathering is "Caretakers of God's Creation: Laudato Si' in School and at Home". Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Lorna Gold. We will also be joined by speakers from SCIAF, who will share with us some of the work they are doing in parishes and schools. As ever, families are welcome at the gathering, and there will be special workshops and activities for children on the day. Lunch will be provided. Attendance at the event is free but booking is essential for catering, etc. Registration details can be found on the SCES website: www.sces.org.uk You can visit Dr. Lorna Gold's website: www.lornagold.com if you want to learn more about her work.