

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

2nd Sunday of Lent (A) 4th / 5th March 2023

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Services

Saturday:	5.30pm	Vigil Mass in St. Conval's.
Sunday:	10.30pm	Mass in St. Conval's.
Monday:	10.00am	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 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.
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 and Isabella Gilmartin, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Donald and for those who are working so hard to care for the sick especially those who work in our hospitals.

Anniversaries: Jean Keevins, Edward Flood, John Stewart, Cathie Lawson, Bernard Patterson and Elsie Muggins.

Month's Mind: Sean O'Neill.

Please Remember In Your Prayers the Children of our Parish who will celebrate their Confirmation in Eastertide this year. We will celebrate the Rite of Enrolment for them next Sunday. Please also remember their Sponsors and their Parents.

Second Collection: This weekend's second collection is for the Building Fund which is to pay off the debt to the Diocese.

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: All Masses are Live Streamed and can be viewed on our YouTube Channel. Weekday Masses are available for up to 12 hours after they are finished "live". Sunday Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses will also be uploaded to view later.

Children's Liturgy takes place in the meeting room at the 10.30am Mass this weekend. All children are welcome. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: gemma.eyp@gmail.com

Stall: The Stall will be opening up again this weekend. If there is anything you would wish the Stall to stock, please speak to Ann McGivern or Marie Sheerin.

Sunday Coffee Morning: Coffee, tea and cakes will be served in the hall after the 10.30am Mass. Everyone welcome.

Monday Morning: Please note there will be Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion instead of Mass at 10.00am.

Stations Of The Cross will be after Liturgy of the Word this Monday morning.

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.

SCIAF Wee Box Packs for Lent are also available in the Porch.

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!

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.

Foodbank: The Parish has received a thank you letter from Renfrewshire Foodbank to thank us for the donations they received at Christmas. There is now an unprecedented level of people in crisis who are now having to access the services of the Foodbank. Support like yours enables the Foodbank to relieve the immediate threat of hunger while also providing assistance to help people out of poverty. Many thanks for your continued donations.

Lenten Evening Masses: From the First Sunday of Lent, these will be celebrated throughout the St. Andrew's Cluster at 7.00pm on weekdays:

Monday: St. Mary's.

Tuesday: St. Peter's - Confessions from 6.20pm until 6.50pm.

Wednesday: St. Mirin's - Adoration and Confessions from 6.00pm (except on 15th March due to First Confessions).

Thursday: St. Charles' - Confessions from 6.20pm until 6.50pm.

Lent Reflection Day For Primary School Pupils: The Diocese of Paisley will be facilitating a day of reflection and activities for Primary School Pupils (P4-P7) on Sunday, 12th March 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. 01418892026 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Diocese Of Paisley Lenten Catechesis 2023 - Jesus: The Source Of Eternal Life

In St. Mirin's Cathedral from 2.00pm until 4.00pm. Remembering our popular Lenten Catechesis of 2015, the Diocese will be holding two Lenten Catecheses to prepare us for the Easter Season. Again, this can be a lovely Lenten penance for those who are wondering what to do this year. On Sunday 12th March, Third Sunday of Lent, Bishop High Gilbert of Aberdeen will reflect on Jesus and the Woman at the Well and on Sunday 26th March, Fifth Sunday of Lent, Bishop Brian McGee of Argyll and the Isles will reflect on Jesus and Lazarus. As well as Bishops' Catechesis there will be Testimony from Young People, Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction with music led by our Diocesan Choir. Please note this Lenten gathering is an in-person event therefore the Live Stream will not be available.

There is a bus booked to take people to the Cathedral for anyone who would like to go next Sunday, 12th March and on Sunday, 26th March. Bus leaving St. Aidan's, Johnstone at 1.00pm, picking up at St. Margaret's, Johnstone at 1.15pm and then St. Conval's, Linwood at 1.30pm. Return bus leaves at 4.15pm from the Cathedral. (Ticket £5.00 per person, TBC).

Relics Of Padre Pio In Scotland: There will be Mass followed by individual blessing with the mit / glove of Padre Pio on 20th March at 7.00pm in St. John's, Barrhead and on 23rd March at 7.00pm in St. Francis', Port Glasgow.

Think Vocation: "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him." Are you listening to him? Is he calling you to serve his people in priesthood or consecrated life? Speak to our Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison, tel. 01418892602 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk