

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Services

Saturday:	5.00pm	Vigil Mass in St. Fillan's.
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass in St. Conval's.
Sunday:	9.30am	Mass in St. Fillan's.
	11.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.
Monday:	10.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.
Tuesday:	9.30am	Mass in St. Fillan's.
Friday:	10.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.
	12.25pm	Mass in St. Benedict's High School.

Confessions

Saturday:	St. Fillan's	Available before Vigil Mass or any time on request.
	St. Conval's	Available in the Meeting Room after Vigil Mass or any time on request.

Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Andrew Irvine, Terry Porter, Eileen McKenna, Joe Mitchell, John O'Donoghue, Lorraine Pollock, Paul Kearney, George and Helen Lawson, Margaret Sweeney, Renato Edoni, Celia and Albert Mackie and for those who are working so hard to care for the sick especially those who work in our hospitals.

Anniversaries: Jimmy McGivern, John Hillan, Margaret Ward and Neil McMahon.

Month's Mind: Ann and William McAdam, Charles Pringle, John Anderson, William Gourlay, Madge Lowe, James Lowe, Annie Muggins and Geoff Gardyne Snr.

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

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.)

My Giving Hub: If Parishioners wish to donate to the Parish using the My Giving Hub, they need only scan the QR code at the top of the bulletin and decide the amount.

Diocese: There will be a Fundraising Appeal at the end of Mass this weekend.

Live Streaming: Services are Live Streamed and can be viewed on our YouTube Channel. These will be available until 11.59pm on the day they are "live".

Summer Schedule: Similar to last year we have reverted to a Summer Schedule until Wednesday, 4th September (inclusive). Please see the table above for details of Services and Confessions. Baptisms by prior arrangement and Funerals by arrangement with Undertakers. In Fr. Andrew's absence, Fr. Michael will now deal with all matters until Wednesday, 4th September (tel. 01505 323751 or email: stconval@rcdop.org.uk).

Thursday: There will be no 9.30am Mass in St. Fillan's on 29th August. There is Mass in the Cathedral at 7.00pm to welcome the Papal Nuncio to the Diocese.

Children's Liturgy will start again on the first Sunday of each month. The next session will take place in the meeting room on 1st September at the 11.00am Mass. All children are welcome. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: gemma.eyp@gmail.com

The Diocese is having a Pilgrimage to Carfin on Sunday, 1st September. There will be transport available from outside St. Conval's at 1.00pm. Return is available too. Cost is £10.00. Please let Margaret Graham know if you wish a place on the bus.

Tuesday Tea will start again on 10th September with a tea to celebrate St. Conval's and St. Fillan's and the end of the Summer Schedule. All from both Parishes are welcome.

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!

Collection Envelopes: If any members of the Parish Community would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme, sealed Gift Aid Packs are available in the House Porch. Please take the sealed pack home with you. The Gift Aid Declaration (GAD) Form should then be completed and the signed GAD Form posted in the Parish House.

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.

Think Vocation: "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you." Are you being chosen to give life to His people as a priest? Call Fr. John Morrison, tel. 0141 889 2602 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Pastoral Visit Of The Apostolic Nuncio - 28th to 30th August: The Diocese of Paisley will welcome the Apostolic Nuncio on a two-day Pastoral Visit; an historic event in the life of our Diocese. In the Papal Representative, we welcome the Holy Father to our Diocese. The centrepiece is the celebration of Holy Mass in St. Mirin's Cathedral at 7.00pm on Thursday, 29th August, followed by refreshments in the Hall. We hope as many parishioners as possible will come along to celebrate with us and pull out all the stops to welcome the Nuncio among us.

Youth To Lourdes 2025: In S3-S6? Do you want to serve others? Learn more about your faith? Meet other young people? Y2L could be for you! We will leave Scotland on Thursday, 26th June and return on Friday, 4th July. Transport by bus and ferry. The Pilgrimage costs £750.00 but with a deposit of £75.00 before our first meeting on Sunday, 8th September at the Diocesan Offices in Paisley, you will qualify for an Early Bird rate of £700.00! To travel, you must have a valid UK or EU Passport. Want to know more? Call Fr. John Morrison on 0141 889 5056 or email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Parish Meetings To Explain The Assisted Suicide Bill And How To Stop It! The real facts about the Assisted Dying Bill and how it will change health care in Scotland for good - for you, your elderly and vulnerable ones - should concern you. The Bill is before Parliament and could pass the critical Stage One by the end of the year which will effectively ensure State sanctioned euthanasia in Scotland. So, action is urgent. If our MSPs hear nothing from us as citizens, they will feel free to vote it in. Deanery meetings around our Diocese will help parishioners build local momentum to make MSPs sit up, take notice and vote against it. Please come to our meetings and invite anyone concerned about this watershed moment. Bishop John will attend all meetings.

Monday, 9 th September at 7.00pm:	St. Joseph's Hall, Clarkston (East Renfrewshire Meeting)
Tuesday, 10 th September at 7.00pm:	St. Mary's Hall, Greenock (Inverclyde Meeting)
Wednesday, 25 th September at 7.00pm:	St. Mirin's Hall, Paisley (Renfrewshire Meeting)

Synod 2024: The most recent document can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/54krbx6x> This will form the basis of discussion at the next Synodal Assembly in Rome from 2nd to 27th October at which Bishop Brian McGee will represent Scotland. Please continue to pray for the implementation of this synodal process.