

# Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 8<sup>th</sup> / 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025



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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.
Thursday:	9.30am	Mass in St. Fillan's.
Friday:	10.00am	Mass in St. Conval's.

### 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.

### Psalm Response

In the presence of the angels I praise you, O Lord.

**Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick:** Andrew Irvine, John O'Donoghue, Lorraine Pollock, Paul Kearney, George and Helen Lawson, Celia and Albert Mackie, James Graham, Dorothy Hunter, Fr. Alex Davie, Maria-Luisa Hunter Andreuccetti, Fergus Joseph Martin, James McElhinney, Maureen Cowie 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:** Andrew McPeake, Anne McMillan, Hugh Connelly, Gary O'Pray, Nelson (Neil) Baillie and Margaret Hanretty (Funeral on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00am).

**Anniversaries:** Eddie Ferris, Alan Gray, Gerard McPeake, John McMahon and Margaret Garvie.

**Month's Mind:** Jim Clarke and Thomas McGourlick.

**This Weekend's Second Collection is** for SPRED. Our Paisley Diocese SPRED offers people with learning disabilities a personal friend who takes time to share life and faith, spiritual nurture in a small community of faith and a sense of belonging to a parish community. Twenty-one SPRED groups meet in our Church Halls and Additional Support Needs Schools allowing two hundred parishioners to come together in faith and friendship to share and experience God's love. Paisley SPRED now employs two staff members following a retirement in 2024. In SPRED "I feel that I belong and everyone is my friend". In 2024 total expenditure for SPRED was £75,425 resulting in a deficit of £20,815 which was funded from general reserves. We are very grateful for your ongoing generous support of this work.

**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.

**Please Note** there will be no weekday tea in the hall during the month of February.

**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!

**Live Streaming:** Services are Live Streamed and can be viewed on our YouTube Channel. Weekday Services will be available until 11.59pm on the day they are “live”. An edited version of the Sunday Morning Mass will be uploaded to view later.

**February Schedule:** This Schedule will apply from Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> February until Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March (inclusive). Please see the table overleaf for details of Services and Confessions. Baptisms by prior arrangement and Funerals by arrangement with Undertakers. Fr. Michael will deal with all matters from Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> February until Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> February (am) - tel. 01505 323751 or email: [stconval@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:stconval@rcdop.org.uk). Fr. Andrew will deal with all matters from Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> February (pm) until Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March - tel. 01505 612046 or email: [stfillan@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:stfillan@rcdop.org.uk).

**Children’s Liturgy** will continue on the first Sunday of each month. The next session will take place in the hall on 2<sup>nd</sup> March at the 10.30am Mass. All children are welcome. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Gemma, email: [gemma.eyp@gmail.com](mailto:gemma.eyp@gmail.com)

**Are You Interested** in becoming a Catholic or do you know anyone who is? Please ask them to speak to Fr. Michael.

**Gift Aid Envelope 74:** Fr. Michael wishes to match Gift Aid Donations to Gift Aid Declarations. Could the parishioner using this envelope please write their name, telephone number or email address on their envelope or contact him by email or phone? Thank you.

**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](mailto: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.

**World Day For Marriage:** Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> February marks the World Day for Marriage when we are asked to pray particularly for all married couples that God may daily give them the strength and energy to support one another and their families. We especially pray that those who are experiencing difficulties in their relationship may seek help, either from Diocesan Marriage Counsellors, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/4u9mupes> or from organisations such as Retrouvaille, visit: <http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/>

**P4-P7 Lenten Retreat Day:** The Diocesan Youth Commission invites children in P4-P7 to a Lenten Retreat Day on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> March from 1.45pm until 5.00pm. The theme is The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary. The Retreat takes place in St. James’ Church and Hall on Greenock Road in Paisley (PA3 2LD). It will include Holy Mass. A light dinner will be provided. Registration is necessary, visit: <http://www.tinyurl.com/dpy-lent25> or contact Fr. Ryan for more information, email: [VE-Youth@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:VE-Youth@rcdop.org.uk)

**St. Mirin’s Cathedral And The Jubilee Indulgence:** Pope Francis reminds us that “God’s forgiveness knows no bounds”. The Jubilee Indulgence during the Holy Year 2025 is a beautiful expression of the mercy of God. The “indulgence” of our Loving Father frees the sinner, already forgiven through the Sacrament of Penance, from every residue left by the consequences of sin, enabling us to grow in love rather than fall back into sin. To obtain the indulgence in St. Mirin’s Cathedral during this year, as pilgrims of hope we undertake a pilgrimage to our Cathedral, especially for the celebration of Holy Mass; are purified by the Sacrament of Penance (in the days around the visit); are refreshed by the worthy reception of Holy Communion; and we also pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff. As groups, or as individuals, we can also receive the indulgence by devoutly visiting the Cathedral for a period of time for Eucharistic adoration and meditation, concluding with the Our Father, Profession of Faith, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary (for example, Hail Mary; Hail Holy Queen; Memorare). The indulgence may be obtained each day and may be applied in suffrage for the souls in purgatory.

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