Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 2nd / 3rd November 2019



Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Carol McKenzie, Jackie Robson, Connie Roche, Thomas McGourlick and Gerry Sheerin.

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died Recently: Alec Stirton.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Joe Gilfedder (USA), Phil McDermott, Sr. Jenny Coady, Martin McNamara, John McNamara, Patricia McNamara, Thomas McNamara, Tommy Inglis, David Ferguson, David Ferris, Chrissie Hillan and for the month's mind of Betty Dunnion, Elsie Muggins and Elizabeth McAdam.

Last Week's Collection amounted to £1,069.08 of which £504.30 was gift aid. Thank you for your generosity.

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

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.

As You Know November is the month the Church remembers in a particular way those gone before us marked with the sign of faith. On Sunday, 17th November 2018 at 10.30am we shall have a designated Mass in St. Conval's at which those whose funerals have been celebrated in our Church are remembered and prayed for. If you know of anyone who would like to attend this Mass, please let them know.

November Lists: Please find available the Envelopes and November Lists at the door for us to remember in Prayer at Mass each day of November the Souls of our Faithful Departed. As is our custom, November is a month of special prayer for those gone to God and many of us wish our family members especially remembered. If you complete the list with the names of your dead and hand in the sealed envelope with your offering within, Fr. Michael will open them, place the lists on the Sanctuary and together with Canon Crawford, remember them in Mass each day of the month.

Bingo every Tuesday morning in the hall after the Tuesday Tea. Money raised goes towards the Building Fund.

Christmas Fayre in the hall on Saturday, 30th November 2019. Please support this cause. Entry to Fayre £1.00. Santa's Grotto entry £2.00. See you all there.

SCIAF's Christmas Real Gifts make great presents for family and friends while helping people in poverty to build a better future. The parish catalogue is now available at the back of the Church. Alternatively, you can visit: www.sciaf.org.uk/realgifts or tel. 0141 345 5555 to find out more.

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.

Mass For Vocations: There will be a Mass offered for Vocations every first Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm in the Chapel of the Little Sisters in Greenock. All are welcome. Please come along and help pray for vocations.

St. Aloysius College Open Evening takes place on Thursday, 7th November 2019 at 7.00pm for students and parents who are interested in joining our community. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

Hawkhead Cemetery Mass: With refurbishments taking place at Hawkhead Cemetery and the roadworks on Hawkhead Road, it does not seem advisable to celebrate Mass there this year. Mass will be celebrated in St. Mirin's Cathedral at 12noon on Sunday, 10th November 2019 for all who are buried in Hawkhead Cemetery.

Schola Benedicti Concert: On Sunday, 10th November 2019 at 7.00pm, Schola Benedicti are singing a concert of Sacred music in St Mirin's Cathedral including the Faure's setting of the Requiem Mass. It is a free concert with a retiring collection to help defray costs to mark Remembrance Sunday and the month of the Holy Souls. The concert will be accompanied by John Pitcathley and the soloist is Graham McCusker of the Royal Northern College of Music.

Advent Day For S3-S6: The Diocese of Paisley will be holding a reflection day for young adults (S3-S6) on Sunday, 17th November 2019 at St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Centre, 45 High Street, Paisley. The day will be from 2.00pm until 6.00pm and will include Mass at 5.00pm. Net Ministries will be our facilitators. While the retreat is open to all young people from this age group there is an expectation that any participants in Youth to Lourdes 2020 should be in attendance. All attendees will be required to bring a signed consent form. These can be obtained from your school or your parish. For more information please contact Fr. John Morrison, email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel. 0141 889 5056.

St. Mirin's Fund: Is a Fund set up by the Diocese of Paisley to disburse funds from the Episcopal Charities and Bishop's Fund. If you wish to be considered for a gift from this Fund for a charitable project or need, please email: funding@rcdop.org.uk with a contact name, contact details and a statement of how you would use this gift. Closing date is Sunday, 17th November 2019. Thank you.