

Parish of Saint Conval - Weekly Bulletin

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick: Carol McKenzie, Rob McMahon and Francis O'Neill.

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died Recently: Dot McNulty and Jim McDonnell.

Please Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur About Now: Hugh Keevins, Thomas McElhinney, Bill Coote, William Ferguson, Brian McLindan, Moira McLindan, Pat McLindan, Tommy McCann, William Duffy, Gillian McGourlick, Tom and Norma Boyce, Jason Reid and for the month's mind of Annabella MacFarlane (nee McElhoney), John McGrory, Josephine Gray, Annie Veronica Deveney, Madge Lowe, James Lowe, Davie Dunnion, Willie McKenna and Tommy Fulton.

Please Keep The Pupils Of Our Lady Of Peace In Your Prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop John in St. Mirin's Cathedral this Wednesday at 7.00pm.

Last Week's Collections: The first amounted to £889.91 of which £355.50 was gift aid and the second for our Paisley Seminarians studying in Rome (Vocations) amounted to £552.35 of which £199.75 was gift aid. Thank you very much for your great generosity.

Next Weekend there will be a second collection 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.

Arts And Crafts: In the hall on Monday mornings from 10.30am until 12.30pm, except Bank Holidays. Class by Impact Arts. On 3rd June, Arts and Crafts will hold a special day, all day. Please note there will be no Qi Gong on this day.

Dance With Pace: Learn all the Strictly dances! Latin and Ballroom dancing in St. Conval's Church Hall. Classes on Monday evenings from 7.00pm until 8.00pm. Under 65s - £8.00, Over 65s - £5.00. To book your place contact Tom, email: dancewithpace@gmail.com or tel. 07711812444.

Gift Aid Declarations: Fr. Michael is in the process of preparing a Gift Aid claim for our Parish for the tax year ending 5th April 2019. If you have signed a Gift Aid Declaration (either recently or a number of years ago) but you did not pay tax in the 2018-2019 tax year, then please contact Fr. Michael before Friday, 31st May 2019 so that the Diocesan Finance Office does not make a claim on your Gift Aid Declaration.

Save The Date: On Saturday, 1st June 2019 in the afternoon, St. Benedict's High School will be hosting @A Prosecco Afternoon Tea@ in the Church Hall. Come along and support our Malawi fundraising, enjoy a glass of prosecco, a lovely afternoon tea and help our friends in Malawi at the same time. A raffle and live entertainment will also be available. Tickets costing £5.00 will be on sale shortly. If you feel you could contribute home baking or prizes for the raffle, we would be very grateful. Further details to follow. There will also be a Star Raffle, with some great prizes running over the next few weeks. Tickets will be on sale as soon as they are printed. Please support this very worthwhile cause and enjoy a pleasant social afternoon.

Our New Parish Website is now up and running! Please visit: www.stconvals.com to take a look and find out more about our Parish, Mass times and Confessions etc.

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.

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.

Vocations News: One of our students for the Priesthood, Joe McGill (St. Joseph's, Clarkston) will be accepted as a Candidate for Ordination during Mass at the Scots College, Rome on Wednesday evening. Please keep Joe and all of our students in your prayers at this time. If you'd like to know more about the Diocesan priesthood, please contact Fr. John Morrison, email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel. 0141 889 5056.

Pentecost Novena: "I invite you to join me in praying our Pentecost Novena to the Holy Spirit again this year when, as a Diocesan Family, we prepare ourselves for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our Church and our mission." Bishop John +
The Diocesan Commission for Evangelisation is promoting this online Novena for the 9 days from Ascension Thursday (30th May) until Pentecost Sunday (9th June). To sign up please visit: <http://eepurl.com/gpWxHP> or visit the Diocesan website: www.rcdop.org.uk each day.

New Dawn In Scotland: A day for S1-S6 Pupils will be held at St. Mirin's Church Hall, Paisley on Pentecost Saturday, 8th June 2019. The day will begin at 10.00am with welcome and registration and end with the Vigil Mass of Pentecost at 4.30pm. Our guest speaker is Tony Fitzpatrick, ex-professional footballer who is now the current Director of Football at St. Mirren FC. Tony has a wonderful testimony that will challenge and encourage us all in our faith journey. For more information and to book places, please email: carolinelyall31@hotmail.com or tel. 07799608399.

Problems For Diocese As Visiting Clergy Face UKBA Changes To Visas For Ministers Of Religion: Calling on the UK Government to suspend changes to new immigration rules for visiting priests to the UK and to meet with representatives of faith communities to hear their concerns over the visa changes. Please contact your local MP asking them to sign the Early Day Motion or visit: <https://tinyurl.com/y48mw2u7>