

Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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Fifth Sunday of Lent 7th April 2019

Daily Mass This Week:

Doneyloop: Mon – No Mass; Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri - 9am; Sat – 10am.

Castlefin: Mon, Tues, Wed – 10am; Thurs – 7.30pm; Fri – 10am.

Lenten Stations of the Cross will take place in St Columba's Church today Sunday at 5pm.

Palm Sunday: Palms will be blessed at all Masses in the parish next weekend.

Easter Penitential Service: There will be an Easter Penitential service with visiting priests in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Strabane next Sunday at 5pm.
(There will be no Stations of the Cross in St Columba's Church on Palm Sunday due to the Penitential Service in Strabane which Fr Porter and Fr Crilly will both attend.)

Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Philomena Langan, 17 New Street,
Clady who was buried in our parish during the past week. May she rest in peace.



The Sacrament of Confirmation



Congratulations to the boys and girls who made their Confirmation on Sunday last in St Columba's Church. We hope it was a special occasion for them, and for their parents, sponsors and teachers. Our thanks to Fr Porter who conferred the Sacrament, and to the principals, teachers, SNAs and staff in the schools, especially the class teachers, who helped in the preparation of the children, A big thank you to all parishioners who helped make the day special both inside and outside the Church and in the Community Centre afterwards.

Dates to remember: 2019 Ceremonies:

1st confessions St. Marys Church, Castlefin on Tuesday 9th April at 6pm
St. Columba's Church, Doneyloop on Monday 8th April at 6pm.

1st Communion; St Mary's Castlefin on Saturday 11th May at 11am
St. Columba's Doneyloop on Saturday 18th May at 11am.

Blessing of Graves: St. Columba's Doneyloop on Saturday 11th May after 6pm Mass.
St. Mary's Castlefin on Monday 13th May after 7pm Mass

April Ministries: Individual rotas are now available for collection in the table drawer in the Church porch in Doneyloop.

St. Mary's N.S. are hosting a Bazaar on Sunday the 14th April in the C.P.I. Centre at 6.00p.m. Prizes Galore big and small (fund raising to paint our school). All the Community Welcome.

Weekend Collection: St. Columba's Doneyloop St. Mary's Castlefin
24th March: €795 £420€95£10

Thank you for your contribution.

Sunday Envelopes: New boxes will be delivered to the homes of our parish this week. If you don't receive one – please let us know by ringing the office and a box will be delivered to you.

Clady Cross Community Association: The relaunch of our social dance (curry night) will be on Tues 16th April 2019, in Clady Community hall. Music by our resident DJ- Paddy's Country, followed by the one and only "Rosemary", All welcome. Doors open at 7.30pm. Come along for a great night of craic. (Bring a bottle lol). All types of music catered for - see ye all!!!

Robert Emmets Club Notes: Lotto numbers 13-14-17-26, No Lotto jackpot winners but there was one match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €2750. Thanks to all for supporting the lotto. Next week's bingo snowball is €1100. Again we would appeal to everyone in the community and further afield to keep supporting our bingo this is a great social event which is on every Friday night at 9.00pm in St. Marys Hall, Castlefin.

The Finn Valley Text Alert will be holding a Meeting in the CPI Centre in Castlefin on Tues 16th April at 7.30pm. Community Garda and Text Alert Rep Grainne Doherty will be in attendance. All welcome.

Thornhill Ministries, Culmore Road, Derry: "Everything Belongs" Retreat Day with Fr Paschal McDonnell (Mon 15 Apr - 9:30 am to 2:15 pm). A time for reflection as we process our life experiences and learn to accept our flawed, fragile and beautiful self. **"Queen of the May Festival"** Fri 3 May to Mon 6 May. We invite anyone who would like to set up a May Altar to please get in touch. Contact 028 7135 1233 or e-mail thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org.

Pro-Life Information Meeting: Precious Life will be hosting several information evenings regarding the upcoming elections with advice on candidates and their stance on abortion. One of them will take place on Tuesday 9th April @ 7.30pm Walsh's Hotel, Maghera. The other will take place on Monday 15th April @ 7.30pm St Mary's Church, Creggan, Derry. All welcome. For more information contact Precious Life on 02890278484 or email info@preciouslife.com

Dementia Friendly Tea Dance: March – December 2018 in the Millenium Forum Studio Theatre, Derry. Dates on sale now. Admission free – book now to avoid disappointment. Tickets can be booked by contacting 02871 264455 (choose option 1) or at www.milleniumforum.co.uk

St Patrick's Hall Musical Society will be presenting West Side Story. It will be performed in the hall from 22nd-27th April (excluding Thursday 25th April and with two shows on Saturday 27th). Tickets, priced £10, are on sale now and can be ordered online at www.ticket-hub.co.uk, or by messaging St Patrick's Hall Musical Society Facebook page or by calling into the hall. All proceeds of this show are in aid of St Patrick's Hall.