

# Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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**Twelfth Sunday of the Year** (19<sup>th</sup> June)

**Daily Mass This Week:**

**Doneyloop:** Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs – 9am; Fri - 7.30pm; Sat – 10am.

**Castlefin:** Mon, Tues, Wed – 10am; Thurs & Fri – no Mass.

**Retirement Celebration:** At the 7.30pm Mass in St Columba's Church on Friday next we will celebrate the retirement of Mrs Breda McConnell from St. Safan's NS, after 37 years as teacher and principal. This will be followed by tea and entertainment in the Community Centre. We would love to see members of the community and past pupils there to celebrate this special occasion with Mrs. McConnell.

**Derry Diocesan Society:** names for enrolment as deceased and living members should be handed in this week. Enrolment fee is €25 or £20.

**Parish Pilgrimage:** The bus organised for our Pilgrimage to Derry today, Sun 19 June, will leave the Diamond Castlefin at 1.10pm and the Community Centre, Doneyloop at 1.25pm sharp. Pilgrims are asked to assemble ten minutes before departure time. We still a few vacant seats. If you have not booked and wish to travel by bus please contact: Collette (087 6707164) or Emby (087 4132566) immediately.



The **Parish Youth Folk Choir** invites musicians and singers of all ages to join us! Practice this Tuesday, 21st June, will be in St. Columba's Church, Doneyloop from 7.30-9pm.

**Parish Silver Circle:**

Silver Circle Cards are now being distributed to all households in the parish with an accompanying letter. We earnestly appeal to each household to support this Silver Circle as their circumstances allow. With a programme of projects to fund within the Parish this will play a vital part in ensuring the works will be completed and we appeal to your generosity in purchasing or selling as many lines as possible.

**Due to circumstances outside the committee's control the Parish Silver Circle has been postponed for two weeks with the first 2 draws now taking place on July 10th, further 2 on July 17th and final draw on July 24th. We apologise for this change and we thank the people of the parish for their continued support and understanding.**

**The Ordination of Rev Christopher McDermott** will take place in St Mary's Church, Melmount at 3pm on Sunday, 26 June and all are welcome to attend. The new priest's First Mass will be in Melmount at 7.00pm on Monday, 27 June. Again all are welcome.



**Child Safeguarding:** Celine and Brendan Durning are our Child Safeguarding Representatives in the parish. We thank them for their excellent presentation to the parents of altar servers and young choir members in our parish at the information session on Wednesday past. Their commitment and dedication is very much appreciated.

**Mass at Corradinna:** As part of the Year of Mercy programme, the Parish of Drumragh, Omagh is hosting a day of pilgrimage to the Mass Rock at Corradinna, on Sunday 10 July. The plan is to have a traditional pilgrimage to Corradinna, stopping to pray at stations along the way. There will also be an opportunity for Confessions from 2pm in All Saint's PS then proceeding uphill to Corradinna for Mass at 3pm. Transport will be available from the Primary School to the entrance into the Mass Rock site.

**Blood Transfusion Service:** Mobile Unit will be at Jacksons Hotel on Mon 20 June; 6.30pm – 9pm and on Tues 21 & Wed 22 June; 3pm – 5pm and 7pm – 9.30pm. Blood donors urgently needed. If numbers do not improve the mobile unit attending this area could be discontinued. Please help if you can. Thanks.

**Tidy Towns / Coffee Morning:** take place in the SVP Drop-in-Centre on Fri 24 June from 10am – 2pm. As a lot of work has been carried out to the town and flowers purchased, we need a little help with the financial end. We appeal to the community to support our cause by supplying homemade baking and to call in on the day for a wee cuppa.

**St Vincent de Paul:** A 'Family Day' has been organised to Waterworld in Bundoran on Tuesday 5 July. Anyone wishing to be considered on this Trip will need to leave their name into the SVP Thrift Shop on or before Wednesday 29 June.

**Robert Emmets:** Lotto Jackpot: €5550. Bingo Snowball: €4660. Congratulations to Neil Mulcahy on winning the County Skills Competition - a great personal achievement and also recognition for the great work and coaching that has gone on through the Minor Board over the last number of years. Well done.

**Castlefin Social Services** have organised three outings this summer with the first taking place on Sat 16 July. We will tour the Inishowen Peninsula stopping off at Doagh Famine Village, Clonmany Ballyliffin. Price: €25 incl bus, dinner, tea and scones. Contact Roisin: 0851248838. Booking closing date: 2 July.

**St Michael's Apostolate of Prayer for Priests:** The co-ordinators in the Derry Diocese wish to raise awareness of the Apostolate of Prayer for Priests and invite people from across the diocese to join in this prayer initiative. The Apostolate prayer card offers us a special opportunity to spend ten minutes each day in prayer for a priest. The co-ordinators for the diocese are: Rosemary Johnson: 07810387825/[brendan\\_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:brendan_rosemary@yahoo.co.uk). Siobhan Sweeney: 07880 588041/[siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:siobhanswen1@yahoo.co.uk). Ethna Hill: 07528249838/[ethna776@yahoo.com](mailto:ethna776@yahoo.com). Eamon Cassidy: 077435 02165/[e\\_cassidy@hotmail.com](mailto:e_cassidy@hotmail.com). Visit website <http://www.prayerforpriests.com>

**Wednesday Wellbeing:** A series of workshops at IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden, Muff will start on Wed 29 June at 1pm with a light lunch. Guest facilitator at each session; Cost is €10 / £8. Other dates: 13th/27th July, 10th/24th August and 7th September. Booking essential; Phone: (00353) 7493 84866

**St Anthony's Retreat Centre:** Tel: 074 9368370, Email: [sarce@eircom.net](mailto:sarce@eircom.net). **Summer Programme:**  
**Sat 2 July.** One Day Silent and Guided Retreat: (£25/€30 incl lunch). **Fri 8 - Sun 10 July.** Weekend retreat exploring the roots of contemplative practice from the Desert Hermits to St. Teresa of Avila and St John of the Cross: (£110/€140 incl full board). **Sat 16 July** One Day Silent and Guided Retreat: (£25 /€30 incl lunch). **Fri 29 - Sun 31 July** Weekend retreat exploring the modern mystics including Thomas Merton, Tony DeMello, John Main, Thomas Keating: (£110/€140 incl full board). Concessions available

**Youth 2000 Summer Festival:** Thurs 7 – Sun 10 July, Cistercian College, Roscrea, for young people aged 16 – 35. The festival is donation only with free buses available from all around Ireland. For more information and to book see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or Tel 01 6753690. Full details on church notice boards.

**Irish College, Rome, A Course for Parishioners:** due to take place from 5 - 9 Sept 2016 provides participants with an opportunity to experience Rome, deepen their theological awareness of the theme of Mercy and enjoy a time of guided reflection and prayer together during this extraordinary Jubilee Year. Cost is €750 with a deposit of €300 to secure a place. Places are limited and travel arrangements to Rome are the responsibility of participants. To reserve a place telephone the Pontifical Irish College on 00 39 06 772 631; email [ufficio@irishcollege.org](mailto:ufficio@irishcollege.org); visit [www.irishcollege.org](http://www.irishcollege.org). See church notice boards.