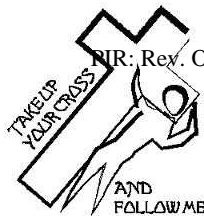


Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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PP: Rev. Oliver Crilly,
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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 16th September 2018

Mass Times: Doneyloop: Vigil – 6.00pm; Sun – 10.00am.

Castlefin: Vigil – 7.00pm; Sun – 11.00am.

Doneyloop: Mon, Tues, Weds & Thurs – 9am; Fri – No Mass; Sat – 10am

Castlefin: Mon, Tues, Weds – 10am; Thurs – 7.30pm; Fri – 10am; Sat – No Morning Mass.

40 hours Adoration will take place next Sunday 23rd September in St. Mary's Church, Castlefin, beginning with Mass at 11am and ending with a Solemn Blessing at 6pm.

New Altar Servers are needed for both St. Columba's and St. Mary's Church. If your child is interested and if you would like him/her to be an altar server, please let the Church or School know.

Collections: Thank you for your generosity

Weekend Collection: St. Columba's Doneyloop St. Mary's Castlefin

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Church Restoration Fund: € 395 £10

Donations: € 100

Do This in Memory Programme will continue for the new school year. An information meeting for the Parents/ Guardians of Children preparing for First Communion in 2019 will take place on **Wednesday 19th September at 7pm** in St Mary's Hall Castlefin

Our prayer day for Marriage and Family Lifetakes place on Friday 21st September: The theme for September is 'Married people who are separated or divorced'. Please see church notice boards to check what hour you offered to do. Information sheets are available in Church porches.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting will take place on Thursday 20th September at 8.15pm in St Marys Hall, Castlefin.

Thanks to the following Community Groups who participated in The Readings in St. Mary's Castlefin in August. SVP, Legion of Mary, Robert Emmett G.F.C., Castlefin Celtic F.C. Drama Club, Social Services, Tidy Towns, History Club.

“God is Love” – Derry Diocesan Pastoral Plan 2018 – 2021

The need for a Plan was recognised when Bishop McKeown met with the Council of Priests to discuss the current and future needs of our Diocese. The Plan sets out the path that the Diocese of Derry hopes to take in every parish community over the course of the next three years. Three pastoral themes will help focus our energies, personnel and resources.

1. Build Welcoming and Inclusive Communities
2. Be Disciples of Jesus Christ, Growing in Faith Together
3. Work to Make Jesus Known and Loved.

Implementing this Plan will involve major refocusing of what we do in our parishes. Dedicated resources and personnel will be established at diocesan level to support parishes to fully implement the Plan. Training and formation for those who will have leadership roles in each parish will be provided. As each parish community develops its own capability, it will then begin to take responsibility for its pastoral priorities and take the first steps to address those priorities – whether using their own resources or working cooperatively with neighbouring parishes. This Diocesan Pastoral Plan will conclude with a Diocesan Assembly in 2021.

An Information and Resource Day will be held in Thornhill College, Culmore Road, Derry on 29th September 2018, from 11am – 4pm. If you are interested in attending this – please let Fr Porter, Fr Crilly or any member of the pastoral council know.

Copies of the Derry Diocesan Pastoral Plan are available at the back of both Churches.

St. Mary's Church Jubilee Update: Painting is almost complete. New Carpet, Curtains and Sanctuary Lamp in St Anthony's. We will need some volunteers over the next few weeks to help with internal Cleaning and external tidying up in the Grounds. If you can help out please contact Collette Carlin or Tony Mc Menamin. The date for our Celebration is Monday 19th November and Mass will be celebrated at 7pm with Refreshments afterwards in St Mary's Hall. Proceeds from the Second Collections, the Donations and the Coffee Morning have raised just over €10,000 so far. We are overwhelmed with your generosity and extend sincere thanks to you all. More Fundraising events will take place in the Parish over the next few months and we will keep you posted

A Triduum in preparation for the Feast of St. Padre Pio will take place at the Franciscan Friary, Rosnowlough from Thursday 20th Sept until Sunday 23rd Sept. There will be Mass, Homily and Blessing of Relic at 7.30 Mass each evening. Preacher will be Fr. Pius McLaughlin, OFM, who met Padre Pio. All are very welcome for these prayerful celebrations.

Pope John Paul II Award pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: The second annual Pope John Paul II Award pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Tuesday, 25 September 2018, for young people ages 16 -18 who may be interested in participating in the Award or are currently doing it. For more information visit www.jp2award.com or contact the Diocesan Catechetical Centre on 028 7126 4087.