

# Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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**Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year** (25<sup>th</sup> Sept)

## Church Renovations in St Columba's Doneyloop

The painting of the inside of the Church is now underway. The seating is also being varnished and the kneelers are being re-covered. So it's full steam ahead at the moment – we again thank all those involved in the renovations.

Weekday Masses in St Mary's Church this week will be at 10am - Monday to Saturday.

**Altar Servers:** In a few weeks time St Columba's Doneyloop should be open again for Mass. New altar servers are required. Please contact the parish office, Geraldine the sacristan, the principal of your child's school or Fr Porter if your son or daughter is interested.



**Sincere Sympathy** to the family, relatives and friends of **Gemma Doherty**, Kilcar, and formerly Gortnamuck, Castlefin, who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

## October Ministries:



	<b>Doneyloop:</b>	<b>Vigil</b>	<b>9.30am</b>
<b>Euch Ministers:</b>	T. Canning, M. McGinley.		L. Lafferty, P. Baird.
<b>Readers:</b>	Ellie Collins		Diane Faherty
	<b>Castlefin:</b>	<b>Vigil</b>	<b>11.30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	P. Kennedy, A. Dalton.		S. McDaid, M. Gallagher.
<b>Euch Ministers:</b>	S. McConnell, J. Harron, M. Harran.		B. McMenamin, M. Killen, C. Quinn

**Doneyloop Counters:** Nancy McGhee, Mary McCorkell,

**Holy Communion:** Anyone who is unable to come to the altar to receive Holy Communion can receive it in their seat. Please let one of the Eucharistic Ministers or the sacristan know before Mass. It would be helpful if anyone availing of this could sit towards the front of the church if possible.

**Gluten-free hosts** are now available in both churches for those who suffer from coeliac disease. Please contact Fr Porter or Fr Crilly to avail of this.

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

'LOOK' is an information sheet which offers child friendly reflections and puzzles on the Gospel each Sunday and is available in the porches of our two churches each weekend. If you have a child at home who has not yet made their First Holy Communion please take one. These sheets are now also being distributed through the schools in our parish to the First Holy Communion classes and lower.

**Parish Youth Committee:** There will be a Parish Youth Committee meeting on Wednesday 28 September at 8.15pm in St Mary's Hall Castlefin. All new members are welcome.

**Service of Healing and Prayer** will be offered in memory of the late Bishop Edward Daly on Tues 27 Sept, at 3.45pm, in the Garden of Reflection at Rossvile Street, Derry (at the entrance to Glenfada Park).

**Clady Craft Group** invites you to a display of their work in Clady Community Hall on Saturday 1 October from 10.30am – 1.30pm. Some items will be on sale. Come along and enjoy a cuppa and a chat!

**Tuesday Night Dance Classes** resume in McBride's, Castlefin on Tuesday 27 September from 9pm – 11pm. New members are always welcome.

**Doneyloop Youth Club Ltd:** The Annual General Meeting of Doneyloop Youth Club Ltd will be held in the Youth Club premises, Doneyloop on Wednesday 28 September at 8pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Robert Emmetts Comedy Night** with 3 Experienced Comedians followed with music in McBride's on Friday 30 September. Ticket: €10 available from McBride's Bar, Clancy's Shop, by calling Donal 086 8134175, Janice 087 9326719, Aaron 086 072 3738 or online at [https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Robert\\_Emmetts/Events/Comedy\\_Night](https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Robert_Emmetts/Events/Comedy_Night). Should be a good night!

**Castlefin Social Services** are hosting a Mystery Tour on Saturday 1 October. Price is €25 (incls bus and meals). Bus leaving Clady at 8.50am and Castlefin 9am sharp. Anyone interested in going can contact Roisin on 085 1248838. Closing date for bookings is Friday 23 September. A day not to be missed!

**Befriending Service:** Do you have an hour a week to spare to befriend an older person? If so, the Friendly Face Befriending Service would like to hear from you. Volunteers needed now in the Lifford and Castlefin Areas and in the Milford, Rosguill and Fanad Areas. To apply/for details, please contact, Community Befriending Organiser, Sarah Breslin, on 086 7858799; email [sarahbefriending@gmail.com](mailto:sarahbefriending@gmail.com)

**Youth 2000** invites all young adults aged 16 – 35 to a Catholic Weekend Retreat taking place from 14 – 16 October in Lough Derg. A weekend organised by young people for young people. Parental consent is essential for all those under 18. All meals are provided and accommodation is on site – just bring a donation and a sleeping bag. Details from: [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) / Tel 07598876399. Newcomers welcome.

**A Special Triduum in honour of St Therese:** in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca from Thursday 29 September until Saturday 1 October. Mass and talk each evening at 7.30pm. Speaker is Fr Eugene McCaffrey OCD. Accommodation is available.

**IOSAS Centre and Celtic Garden:** Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Thanksgiving Mass due to take place on Sunday 25th Sept at 3pm in St Canice's Oratory has had to be postponed until further notice. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

**Thornhill Ministries, Culmore Road, Derry: "Quiet Moments of Meditation"** Wednesdays: beginning 5 Oct at 10:30am in Thornhill Convent. Suggested Donation £5. **"Let the Landscape Speak"** Drawing on the poetry of O'Donoghue and Heaney, Mary Murphy will facilitate an exploration of poems where the landscape has been the vehicle of communication between the Author of All of Life, the poet and ourselves. Four Thursdays: now beginning **13** October from 7:30 to 8:45pm in Thornhill College. Suggested Donation: £5. To book the above: please phone 028 71351233 or e-mail [thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org](mailto:thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org). For all information please visit [www.thornhillministries.co.uk](http://www.thornhillministries.co.uk).

**C.O.R. (Christ-in-Others Retreat):** A weekend designed For Young People aged 13-17; in years 10, 11 & 12 will be held from Friday 30 Sept to Sun 2 Oct starting at 6:30pm on Fri and ending with Mass at 3:30pm on Sun. Cost for the weekend £50stg (accommodation and full board). Please contact: - COR Ireland Face book page or Laura 077 07961429; Tommy on 078 03795398 or Niall on 075 10865111.

**Burt's Big Bingo** will take place on Sun 2 Oct at 3pm in St. Mary's Hall, Burt. Books are €10; (Sheets €2 optional); €200 for 9 house and €50 for the line; all other lines and houses €25 and €50. The sheet sales will mark the prizes on it. Proceeds go to St. Aengus' Church Restoration Fund. See you there!

**Confessions:**

**Doneyloop:**

**Saturday:** after 10am Mass; 6.45pm – 7.15pm.

**First Fridays:** 7pm – 7.20pm.

**Castlefin:**

**Saturday:** 12 noon; after the Vigil Mass.

**Tuesday:** at various times during the Eucharistic Adoration.

**Baptism in the Parish:**

**Doneyloop:** First Sunday of every month at 12.30pm.

**Castlefin:** Third Saturday of every month at 2.30pm.