

# Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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**Thirty-First Sunday of the Year** (05<sup>th</sup> Nov 17)

**Daily Mass This Week:**

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

**Castlefin:** Mon – 10am, Tues – Fri – No Masses

## November is the Month of the Holy Souls.

A Book of Remembrance is presently available in both churches during the month of November. The names of our beloved deceased family and friends whom we wish to be remembered can be included in these Books.

A special Mass for the dead of our parish will be offered in St Columba's Church on Friday November 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7.30pm. In this Mass we will remember especially all who died, were waked, had their funeral Mass or were buried in our parish during the past year. A candle will be lit in their memory and family members are invited to take the candle home after Mass. A list of the names of these can be found on the notice boards in both churches – please check that your loved ones name is on that list. If not – please contact the parish office.

A Service of Remembrance will later on be held in St Mary's Church on the afternoon of 19<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm.

**Year of the Family.** In The Joy of Love, Pope Francis says of those from our families who have died, 'We continue to love them now that they are elsewhere. They can no longer be physically present to us, yet for all death's power "love is as strong as death". Families are encouraged to come together in their own home to remember prayerfully their dead loved ones and to create a memorial space in the home for November. A Family Prayer List with informative sheet will be sent home with the children in our in our schools next week. These sheets are also available in the porches of each Church. Each family in our Parish is asked to make a list of the names of their dead. As they write this list together they can talk about the various people they are naming and what each of these means to the various people of the family

**Key Found:** A Single Yale key was found in Doneyloop Church last weekend. If this is yours, please contact Geraldine.

**Urney & Castlefin Parish Christmas Draw:** tickets are being distributed in the coming days to households in the parish. As a result of the success of fund raising in the parish to date a tremendous amount of work has been carried out in both Doneyloop and Castlefin, and now with your support as parishioner, we can complete ongoing work and commence further necessary work. Therefore, we are appealing to you for your full support for this draw. New promoters are urgently required for all areas of the parish. If you can help in your area that would be much appreciated – please give your name to either priest. Thank you.

**"33 Days to Morning Glory"** preparation and consecration to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Fr. Michael Gately, the author and promoter of this novena has given one million copies of this booklet to be distributed throughout Ireland. It takes place from 5<sup>th</sup> Nov to 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. There is a limited number of copies in the church porches. Please take one if you think you could take part. More copies are available by contacting Celine on 0876332022 or Joan on 087914588.

**St. Mary's P.T.A.A.** Monthly Meeting takes place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm in St. Mary's Church. We are preparing for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the foundation of our Centre in March 2018 and would welcome any photos or newspaper cuttings people might have to help us display next year.

**St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop:** Just a wee reminder when clearing out for Christmas we would be very grateful for donations of clothes, curtains, bedding etc. Our shop carries a wide range of books and are of very good quality and very reasonably priced. We are also very grateful to be given donations of good furniture. Furniture can be collected by contacting 074-9146726 to make arrangements.

**Castlefin 50-60+ Group** are having a Tea Dance in St Mary's Hall on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November'17. From 12.30 -4pm, all welcome.

**Clady Cross Community Association Craft Group** will hold a Tea/Coffee day on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November from 10:30am – 2pm in Clady Community Centre. There will be a display of craft items – some of which will be on sales. Proceeds to the Alzheimer's Society.

**Finn Valley Community Text Alert:** Forms are now available from and can be returned to CPI, Mantis Cranes, Castlefin Post Office, Killygordon Post Office and Byrne's Shop, Liscooley.

**"Rosary on the Coast"** The "Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith" will take place on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> November, the feast of Christ the King. Following recent similar events on the borders of Poland and Italy, organisers hope that as many people as possible will travel to the coast all over Ireland to take part in prayers. Information from Joan Gallagher 087914588.

**Final Call – Free Training Courses for Carers** of people with Dementia to be held in Strabane and Derry. Starting 9 Nov in Bishops Gate Hotel, Derry, and other venues for four weeks (3 hours per week). Please note this free training will no longer be available after Dec 2017. To register please email [roisin.flynn@alzheimers.org.uk](mailto:roisin.flynn@alzheimers.org.uk) or call 07484507178.