

Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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32nd Sunday of the Year (8th Nov)

Castlefin – 6.30pm; Doneyloop – 7.30pm.
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November is the Month of the Holy Souls.

A special Mass for the dead of our parish will be offered by Fr Porter and Fr Crilly in St Columba's Church on Friday next, November 13, at 7.30pm and we remember especially all who died in the past year.

A candle will be lit in their memory and family members are invited to take the candle home after the Mass.

Daily Mass This Week:

Doneyloop: Mon & Thurs – 10am; Tues – 9am; Wed & Fri – 7.30pm; Sat – 11am.

Castlefin: Mon, Wed & Fri – 10am; Tues – no Mass; Thurs – 7.30pm.

Confessions:

Doneyloop: Saturday: after 11am 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 12.30pm.

Eucharistic Adoration in St Mary's Church on Tuesdays beginning after the 10am Mass until 8pm.

Legion of Mary Meeting: in St Mary's Church on Mondays at 6pm. New members welcome.

Bingo: on Monday nights in the Community Centre, Doneyloop at 9pm.

Whist: every Wednesday in St Mary's Hall at 8.30pm. Scorecard: €2.

Sincere Sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of **Sharon Alexander**, Market Close, and **Hugo Caulfield**, Hillhead, Castlefin, who died during the week. May they rest in peace.



Baptism: we welcome into God's Church through Baptism,
Fíadh Devlin, Orchard Road, Strabane.

Parish Ministry:

If you would like to participate in the Lay Ministries of Reading or the Eucharist could you please leave your name in the sacristy of either church or with Parish Pastoral Council Sec, Collette Carlin 0876707164 as soon as possible. If you would care to nominate someone please ask them before submitting their name. This is your parish and we are asking people of all ages to become more involved in Parish Ministry. We hope to have a Commissioning Ceremony for new Ministers during Advent.

Church Choir: Advance Notice – choir practice in Castlefin on Monday 16 November; details later.

Richard Moore founder and director of the charity **Children in Crossfire**, will speak at all masses in the parish next weekend; 14/15 November. He will share with us the details of the work of the charity and will launch their Advent Campaign in the parish.

Sacraments in 2016: Confirmation: Thursday 14 April at 5pm in St Columba's Church; the Confirming Celebrant will be Bishop McKeown.

First Holy Communion: Saturday 7 May in St Columba's Church; Sat 14 May in St Mary's Church.

Sacramental Talk for Parents of Confirmation and First Communion children will take place in St Columba's Church on Wednesday 18 November at 7.30pm.

St Mary's PTAA: monthly meeting takes place on Tuesday 10 Nov at 7pm in St Mary's Meeting Room.

Parish Fundraising Committee: Tickets for our big Christmas Draw will be distributed to all households within the next week. With books of tickets costing €10/£8 it is anticipated that each household in the parish will give their full support to this draw by purchasing at least one book of tickets.

Thanks: Kenny and Claire McGlinchey sincerely thank everyone for their generous contributions to their chosen charities - €300 was donated to St Mary's Church Development Fund and €445 to the Good and New Cancer Bus.

And we thank Kenny and Claire for their donation to St Mary's Church – it is very much appreciated.

Castlefin Drama Group presents "Separate Beds" by Sam Cree in St Mary's Hall on 15 and 16 November at 8pm - a show not to be missed! Tickets are now available.

Clady Craft Group: you are invited to Clady Community Hall on Wed 11 November from 11.30am – 1.30pm. There will be a variety of crafts on display. Enjoy a cuppa and some home bakes.

World Youth Day, founded by Saint John Paul II, is the largest gathering of its kind in the world. Next year, the Derry Diocese will bring a pilgrimage of young people to Kraków, from 21st – 31st July. If interested and aged between 18 – 35 contact: wjd@derrydiocese.org. Registration closing date is 30 Nov.

St Columba's College Stranorlar - Open Evening for 6th Class Primary Students and their Parents/Guardians on Thursday 19 November at 7pm in the School Hall.

Padre Pio Prayer Group: due to parish Annual Novena to Our Lady on Monday our Christmas meeting will be held on Tues 10 Nov in the Holy Family Church, Ballymagroarty starting with Mass at 7.15pm.

Anam Cara Bereavement Information Evening: on Thurs 12 Nov from 19:30 to 21:30 in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents. To confirm numbers for room set up, please RSVP to 01 4045378 or info@anamcara.ie before Wed 11 Nov.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service Board: mobile unit team will be at Jackson's Hotel, Ballybofey on Monday 9 Nov; 6.30pm – 9.30pm; Tuesday and Wednesday 10/11 Nov; 3pm – 5pm and 7pm – 9.30pm.

Grand Sale & Auction - Stranorlar Town Action Group: sale and auction of good quality furniture, tools, gadgets, bric a brac, delph, toys, books & clothing on Sat 14 Nov at the former Kernan's premises Main Street, Stranorlar. Sale starts at 1pm, auction at 2pm. For further information contact: Whitby McClay on 087 9560868, John Duffy on 086 6071882 or Kathy Taaffe on 086 3142886.

Country and Country Gospel Concert with Leslie Matthews: Henderson Hall, Church Rd, Stranorlar; Thurs 19 Nov at 8 pm. Adm: €10. All proceeds go to the Church of Ireland Windows Restoration Fund.