

# Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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**We wish all our parishioners  
a very Happy Easter and all the  
blessings of the Easter Season.**

## Easter Reflection:

“The Good News of the Resurrection should shine on our face, in our feelings and in our behaviour, in the way in which we treat others. We proclaim the resurrection of Christ when his light illuminates the dark moments of our existence, and we are able share it with others; when we know when to smile with those who smile, and weep with those who weep; when we accompany those who are sad and at risk of losing hope; when we recount our experience of Faith to those who are searching for meaning and happiness. And there - with our attitude, with our witness, with our life - we say ‘Jesus is Risen,’ with our soul.”

Pope Francis

## Daily Mass This Week:

**Doneyloop:** Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat - 10am.

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



**Sincere Sympathy** to the family, relatives and friends of **Paddy McElchar**, Drumdoit who died during the week and to the family, relatives and friends of **Francis Finlay**, formerly Clady, whose cremated remains were buried in Doneyloop on Tuesday

We also offer our sincere sympathy to Fr Crilly on the death of his aunt, **Mary Bradley**, who was also buried during the week. May they all rest in peace.



**Baptism:** We welcome in to God's Church through Baptism, **Micheál James Flynn**, 34 Hillhead, Castlefin.

## April Ministries:

**Doneyloop:** **Vigil 9.30am**  
**Euch Ministers:** S.Gallagher, S. O'Donnell M. Devine, N. Devine  
**Readers:** Leona Lafferty Larry Griffin

**Castlefin:** **Vigil 11.30am**  
**Readers:** Angela Dalton, Mary Dunion. Mairead Carlin, Sharon McDaid  
**Doneyloop Counters:** Nancy McGhee, Mary McCorkell.

**Visitation of the Sick:** Fr Crilly will visit his sick and housebound on Friday next, April 1<sup>st</sup> and Fr Porter will visit his sick and housebound later on in the month.

**Trócaire - Join the fight for justice:** Last year alone, thanks to support from the Irish public and others, Trócaire was able to support 2.4 million people, improving their lives through various interventions: 45,000 families across the world got access & control of their local resources, including land and water; Protection to over 700 human rights defenders who were abused and attacked in Guatemala; Support to over 6,000 women who survived violence and abuse, including access to healthcare, counselling, and legal aid. Your generosity helps give many people living in poverty hope for the future. Please give what you can and thanks

**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.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** next meeting will be held in the Community Centre, Doneyloop on Thursday 31 March at 8.15pm.

**Parish Youth Choir:** The Parish Youth Committee would like to invite musicians and singers of all ages to join our new Youth Choir in Doneyloop Hall on Tuesdays from 7.30pm to 9pm. Any queries contact Rachel on 0868043065.

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

**Traditional Latin Mass:** Easter Sunday, 12:45pm, St Mary's Church, Lisnaragh Road, Aughabrack, Dunamanagh, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0SD. Everyone is welcome.

**St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore, Castlefin** are hosting a **Country and Gospel Concert** in church on Thursday 7th April at 8pm. Everyone welcome...come along for a great night's entertainment.

**Class Act Theatre Group** is staging Oliver on Friday 8th at 7.30pm, Saturday 9th at 2.30pm (matinee) and 7.30pm and Sunday 10th April at 2.30pm in St Patrick's Hall, Strabane. Tickets are on sale and can be purchased by phoning 075 40635623, by messaging the Class Act Facebook page or by calling into St Patrick's Hall from Monday 28th March to Saturday 2nd April between 10am and 4pm. Admission is £8 (£6 concessionary).

**Foyle Down Syndrome Trust** are asking you to please go online to [www.thepeoplesprojects.org.uk](http://www.thepeoplesprojects.org.uk) and vote for their Recipe For Success Project so they can provide a kitchen and qualified support staff to enable young people with Down Syndrome to learn essential culinary skills.

**Faith Renewal Events - Knock Shrine:** Women of the Well – a weekend retreat on women's spirituality, April 15, 16 & 17; Climate Change and Me – a day conference, April 30; Religion and the Republic - Lecture by Dr Gearoid Barry, May 14. See the full programme at [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

**Overnight Pilgrimage to Knock:** Join Veritas and James Kilbane for this Pilgrimage, departing Thurs 7 April from Derry at 8am, with stops at Strabane and Omagh. Presentation of the film “The Story of Knock” at 1pm. Mass in Apparition Chapel at 4pm - celebrant Fr Gerry Gillespie, music by James Kilbane. Overnight stay in the McWilliam Park Hotel, Claremorris (approx. 10 miles) with dinner and a night of music and song in the hotel. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Gillespie in the hotel the following morning after breakfast, with music by James Kilbane. Total cost £85 (incl bus, hotel accommodation, evening meal and breakfast. Booking and further information: Marie or Lucy at Veritas 028 7126 6888.