

Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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Third Sunday of Lent (28th Feb)
Castlefin – 6.30pm; Doneyloop – 7.30pm.
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Daily Mass This Week:

Doneyloop: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Sat - 9am; Fri– 7.30pm (followed by Divine Mercy Devotions).
Castlefin: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri – 10am; Thurs– 7.30pm.

Lenten Stations of the Cross will take place in St Columba's Church each Sunday at 5pm.

Shortcut to the Gospels: This Thursday, March 3, after the 7.30pm Mass in St Mary's Church Fr Crilly's topic will be: Passion Narrative in Luke and John.

Commissioning of New Eucharistic Ministers and Readers will take place in St Columba's Church at 7.30pm Mass on Saturday next, March 5.



Baptism: We welcome into God's Church through Baptism,
Rachel Mary Hamilton, Sessiaghleng, **Willie Martin Melaugh-Devine**,
Churchminster, and **Caomhe May Dooher**, Magherabuoy



Congratulations to **Grace Donnelly**
and **William Buchanan**
who were married in St Columba's Church on Saturday 20 February.

March Ministries:

Doneyloop:	Vigil	9.30am
Euch Ministers:	G. Coyle, T. Canning	H. Byrne, M. Crawford.
Readers:	Cora Quinn	Danny Duffy
Castlefin:	Vigil	11.30am
Readers:	Confirmation Class	Monica Maguire
Doneyloop Counters:	Grace Corry, Leona Lafferty, Una Lafferty,	

Visitation of the Sick: Fr Porter will visit his sick and housebound on Thursday and Friday this week, 3 and 4 March. Fr Crilly will also visit his sick and housebound on Friday this week.

Eucharistic Minister to the Sick: if anyone on Fr Porter's monthly visit list would like a Eucharistic Minister to bring Holy Communion to them at weekends can they please let Fr Porter know.

Church Music: St Columba's Church: Choir practice on Saturday next, 5 March at 6.30pm. All members are asked to attend and new members are most welcome.

St. Mary's PTAA: Monthly Meeting takes place on Tuesday 1 March at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church. Annual Pioneer collection takes place next weekend, 5/6 March. Congratulations to Castlefin U/13 quiz team who won the Raphoe Diocesan Quiz last weekend. Well done Darragh, Neil, Ciaran and Shauna. The Doneyloop and Castlefin U/8 teams also qualified for the Ulster Quiz Final which takes place in Community Centre Doneyloop on 9 April. Thanks to everyone who helped out at the quiz last weekend

Congratulations to the Clady Cross Community Development Association on the launch of the Clady Integrated Village Plan. We wish them and all the residents in Clady, every success in their exciting new project.

Year of Mercy Candles: We hope every household in the parish has received a candle and prayer. If your candle is used then you can replace it with a little tea light candle which fits perfectly in the holder. If you haven't received your candle please contact the Parish Office 9146183.

'The Original Image of Divine Mercy' Film: this newly released Documentary Film can be seen at the Station House Hotel, Letterkenny on Wed 9, Thurs 10, Fri 11, Mon 14 and Tues 15 March at 7.30pm; on Sat 12 and Sun 13 March at 3pm and 6.30pm. Admission is free. For details phone 074 9121021 or go to Year of Mercy Raphoe Facebook page.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Hospitalité Collection last weekend. It amounted to €875 and £180 and will help care for the sick from across the diocese on our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

St Vincent de Paul: Our Annual Silver Circle Draws took place on Sunday last. A list of winners is displayed in our Shop window. We take this opportunity to thank all who bought tickets or sold lines, without your generosity this fundraiser would not have been a success.

World Day of Prayer: this year's service will be held in Alt Presbyterian Church on Friday 4 March at 8pm. The theme is 'Receive children, Receive Me' and everyone is welcome.

Is God calling you to be a priest? Vocations Information Day will be held at Ardstraw House, 21a Buncrana Road, Derry on Sat 19 March at 11am. For enquiries or to confirm attendance please contact Fr Paul Farren, Diocesan Vocations Director: email ddcc@derrydiocese.org or Tel 028-7126 4087.

Lough Derg: Pope Francis has placed pilgrimage at the heart of the Jubilee Year of Mercy and Lough Derg is specially placed to enable pilgrims to enter into the Holy Year in a personal and unique way. For full details of the Three Day Pilgrimage and One Day Retreats see church notice boards.

C.O.R. (Christ-in-Others) Retreat: a weekend especially designed for young people aged 13-16, in years 10, 11 & 12; Friday 4 to Sunday 6 March; Gortin Community Youth Hostel; Cost - £50). Contact COR Ireland Face book page or Leona 077451460909, Tommy 07803795398 or Niall 07510865111.

Foyle Down Syndrome Trust are asking you to please go online to 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.

Children in Crossfire invite runners, walkers and families to join the 5k Colour Run/Walk on Sun 13 March. Pre-registration essential: <https://colourderry.eventbrite.ie>, Richmond Centre Kiosk, or ring 71269898. Register early to avoid disappointment - the funniest, coolest 5k fun run/walk on the planet.

Anam Cara Bereavement Information Evening: Thurs 10 March; 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 info@anamcara.ie before Wed, 9 Mar or ring 01 4045378.

NWRC Open Week: Limavady & Greystone Campus: 5pm - 8pm, Tues 1 March. Strand Road & Springtown Campus: 12 noon – 8pm, Wed 2 March. Strabane Campus: 5pm – 8pm, Thurs 3 March. To attend please register via www.nwrc.ac.uk/discover, email opennight@nwrc.ac.uk, tel 048 7127 8772.