

Parish of Urney and Castlefin

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The Baptism of the Lord



12th January 2020

Vigil Mass: Doneyloop – 6.00pm;
Sunday: Doneyloop – 10.00am;

Castlefin – 7.00pm.
Castlefin - 11.00am.

Weekday Mass Times:

Doneyloop: Mon – No Mass; Tues – 7pm; Weds, Thurs & Fri – 9am

Castlefin: Mon – No Mass; Tues & Weds – 10am; Thurs – 7.30pm; Fri – 10am.

The 9am Mass on Wednesday 15th January in St. Columba's Church will be offered for the late **Kathleen O'Donnell**, The Crescent, Clady on the occasion of her month's mind.



Baptism: we welcome into God's Church through Baptism, **Hannah Margaret Mc Granaghan**, Cluney Gardens, Clady.

A Do This in Memory Team Meeting to prepare for the next DTIM Mass will be held in the Parochial House, Doneyloop on Thursday 16th January at 6.30pm.

A Pastoral Area Gathering hosted by the Parish of Clonleigh to include the Parishes of Clonleigh, Killygordon and our own Parish of Urney & Castlefin will take place on January 26th in the Lifford and Clonleigh Social Centre, from 3pm until 4.30pm. Guest will be Bishop McKeown. Everybody welcome.

The Pioneer Association will take up their Annual Collection at all Masses next weekend – 18th/19th January. Your support would be gratefully appreciated.

Children in Crossfire: If you have an Advent box at home please return it to the chapel as soon as possible as these are due to be picked up in the coming week.

Our Lady's Prayer Cenacle – continues every Thursday evening during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 6.20pm and ending at 7.20pm in St. Anthony's Chapel, Castlefin. Everyone welcome.

Important Parish Dates in 2020:

Confirmation: Thursday 7th May at 5pm in St. Mary's Church, Castlefin.

1st Communion: Saturday 16th May at 11am in St. Mary's Church, Castlefin.

Saturday 23rd May at 11am in St. Columba's Church, Doneyloop.

Weekend Collection:

4th/5th January:

St. Columba's Doneyloop

€720 £285

St. Mary's Castlefin

€895 £56

Thank you for your contribution.

St. Columba's P.S. Clady: Admissions for Year 1 and Reception 2020/2021: Application for Reception and Y1 procedure opens on Tuesday 7th January 2020 (12 noon) the on-line portal will close on Thursday 30th January 2020 (12 noon) for those children who will be starting school in September 2020. Children born between 2nd July 2015 – 1st July 2016 (inclusive) must commence primary education in September. Anyone needing assistance can contact the school. An application received after 12 noon on 30 January will be treated as a late entry.

St Safan's N.S Doneyloop: Enrolment week will commence on Monday 27th - Friday 31st January with our **Open Day** on Friday 31st from 12 noon – 3pm. Enrolment forms are available from School Office, website www.stsafans.com or email stsafans@hotmail.com. You are welcome to contact us on 074 9146521 between 1 – 3pm for further details.

Castlefin Area Defibrillator: A short meeting will be held in St. Mary's Hall in Castlefin on Thursday 16th January at 7.30pm to discuss the future management and location of the community Defibrillator which is an important piece of lifesaving equipment for our area. This is a public meeting and therefore open to everyone. Please come along, hear more and have your say.

Weekly Ceili Dancing Classes will resume in 'The Den' (Melmount Centre) on Wednesday 15th January at 8.30pm. Beginners welcome.

Fostering Information Evenings will be hosted by WHSCT on 28 January in Da Vincis Hotel, Derry, and on 29 January in the Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane. Time: 7-9pm. The Evenings are of an informal nature; questions will be answered. Everyone welcome.

Thornhill Ministries Thornhill House, 121 Culmore Road: **Mon. 20 Jan, 10:30 - 1:00** 'LOOK BOTH WAYS' A gentle morning to help hold with tenderness the struggles and the blessings of the past and to move into 2020. Offering: **£10. Tues. 21 Jan, 10:30 - 11:45** 'Spiritual Reading Book Club' Coffee, conversation and a review of 'A Cry is Heard' Jean Vanier. Offering: **£10.**

Training Opportunity for Young People: The Diocese in conjunction with Youthlink NI are offering an exciting training opportunity for young people aged 16-18 interested in Youth Work and Leadership Training. The course will be an OCN Level 1 Award in Practical Youth Work/Ministry Skills. It will run over on 3 days Saturday 18th January, Sunday 2nd February and Sunday 1st March in Maghera Pastoral Centre. Contact Yvonne Rooney the Diocesan Pastoral Youth Leader for more details. yvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org 0044 2871264087

Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Donal McKeown, Thursday 2 July to Tuesday 7 July 2020, cost £679 (deposit £100 - non refundable) including full board and transfers in Lourdes. The Pilgrimage Office in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre at 164 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6UJ, will be open for enquiries and bookings each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 11am to 1pm, from Tuesday 14 January. Tel 028 71 260 293, (00 44 28 71 260 293 from ROI.) email: derrypilgrim@outlook.com