



St. Mary's Football Club

## **Match Report**

### **St Mary's 5 – 0 Orangefield**

St Marys Under 17s continued their good run of form as they thrashed an uninspiring Orangefield side 5-0.

In the previous week St mary's beat Creagh Wanderers 8-0, and today's game against Orangefield was no different as they continued their vain run of form in front of goal and also kept a clean sheet once again which pleased the coaching staff. St Marys where missing important players such as Cormac, Luke, Jordan and Matt McCann through injury and other commitments. This did not shake the starting eleven though as the team was not weakened as Conor burrows and Dylan McCrudden slotted right back into the three man defence.

St Mary's dominated from start to finish playing some really nice football on some occasions. The team had complete possession and retained the ball well but within the first 15 minutes it was the final ball that sometimes let the team down and they could not find the opening goal. With 15 minutes of the half remaining St Marys had a free kick in their own half, it was played short to TJ who went on a mazy run beating three or four player before he layer the ball to Conor Magee who squared the ball across to Matthew Harvey who finished neatly. Five minutes later and it was 2-0 with CC grabbing the second goal. The team broke away on a 4 versus 2 counter attack and the breakaway ended in a really good finish by CC.

Half time 2 0

The second half started Again with St Mary's on top but being sluggish in possession and this remained the case for 10 or 15 minutes. Michael Donnelly got injured and Mickey Burns replaced him. Within minutes Mickey should have had a penalty having been dragged down inside the box, but the referee ignored the claims. St Marys had their 3rd goal moments later with TJ bending a cracking free kick into the far corner, leaving the keeper with no chance. Matthew Harvey grabbed his second just after making it 4-0 and then CC finished off the match with the teams 5th after being played through by Mickey Burns.

A solid win for the team, with all five goals being really impressive and also keeping a clean sheet was good to see. The management was happy to see solid performances from Dylan McCrudden and Conor Burrows at the back but also delighted to see Matthew Harvey back to fine form, scoring two goals but being a constant danger and threat throughout the game.

Man of the match : Matthew Harvey