



St. Mary's Football Club

Match Report

Under 13

St Mary's FC 2 – 2 Immaculata

St Mary's U13 faced a strong Immaculata side who had recorded a 4 -1 win in their previous match and were full of confidence as the game kicked off at Boucher Road Playing Fields.

So it was worrying when the opposition went 1 - 0 up early in the match. The St Mary's boys looked nervous and for a period failed to settle with loose passes and miskicks evident.

However, against the run of play, Fionntan Resoto finally managed to hold the ball for St Mary's and slip a ball through the Immaculata defence for Gerry Girvan to cut in from the left and run in on goal to slot home an equaliser!

Confidence levels boosted and next a great ball out of defence by Owen McGrath again allowed Gerry Girvan to drive forward from the left to beat the goalkeeper on a one on one putting St Mary's 2 - 1 up!

Just when it seemed a lead at half time might have been achievable a free kick was launched into the St Mary's penalty box and everyone hesitated to allow the opposition to sneak in and beat Adam Carlin from close range and leave it 2 - 2. Immaculata tried to press but some great tackling from Ciaran Magee in particular held out until half time.

The second half proved difficult with a backs to the wall performance by the whole team as Immaculata tried to find a winner but St Mary's performed heroically to keep them out. Adam Carlin pulled off several tremendous saves and when he was beaten on one occasion Owen McGrath headed off the line. Some chances were made at the other end particularly when Conor Corry put Gerry Girvan through but his effort to get a hat trick went just over.

An all-round great team performance that everyone should be proud of.

Team: Adam Carlin, Luke Walsh, Curtis McVeigh, Owen McGrath, Eoin Sullivan, Ciaran Magee, Fionntan Resoto, Gerry Girvan, Conor Corry, Conor Maitland, Niall Gilleece.

Subs: Ryan McAleenan, Lorcan Murray, Anthony Scott, Matthew McCarron, Nathan Lavery .