

30th September 2007

PARISH OF DRUMCREE

Mission Statement: Our Parish is a Christ-centred community. In Baptism we are challenged by the Spirit to live and share the Gospel message. Through proclaiming the Gospel message to all, Growth in Faith, Liturgy, Justice Issues and Ecumenism we extend our love and care to all people providing support in renewing and deepening our faith. We value the gifts and talents of each of our Parishioners and invite them to use these in responding to Christ's invitation to all of us to follow Him and spread the Good News to the whole world.

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St. John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road (1777) - 1977

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

30th September 2007

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times:

St. John the Baptist

Saturday 7 p.m.

Sunday 8.30 & 11.30 a.m.

St. Patrick's

Sunday 10 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

St. John the Baptist

Tuesday - Friday 7.30 p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - Saturday 10 a.m.

Monday 7.30 p.m. (Novena -

Miraculous Medal)

Confessions:

St. Patrick's

Saturday - 12.30 - 1.15 p.m.

St. John the Baptist

Saturday - 6.15 - 6.45 p.m.

Baptisms:

Every Saturday, 5 p.m.

Registration for Baptism must be made in St. John the Baptist Church, after Friday evening Mass, two weeks prior to date.

Marriage:

At least three months notice must be given to the Priests of the Parish.

Sunday 23rd September Collection

£2410-79

Thanks to all who contributed

Phone Numbers:

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescat In Pace

Lately deceased: Frank Campbell, Mary Clarke, Thomas McCooe, Angela Doyle.

At This Time: Martha Holland, Elizabeth Fearon, Margaret Coleman.

Sunday 30th: M.M. Edward James Tennyson, Jack McCann, Elizabeth McCourt,

Peter Megarity, Felix O'Hanlon, Ana Maria Xavier do Rego, Miguel, Maria, Filipe & Maria Miguel Soares. Monday 1st:

Julie Clarke, Joao, Filomeno & Andre Soares, Filomeno Xavier, Barbara Soares, Cirilo Soares. Tuesday 2nd: Jimmy Walsh, Annie McStravick, Thomas McCann, Robert Hagan, Thomas Moonan. Wednesday 3rd: Eamon Keegan. Thursday 4th: Annie Holland, Elizabeth Breen, Paddy Connolly. Friday 5th: Helena Quinn, Mary Foy. Saturday 6th: James McGrath

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First Friday Notices:

Confessions Thursday 4th

St. Patrick's - 6.30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

St. John's - 8 p.m.

Masses Friday 5th

St. Patrick's - 10 a.m. (Exposition of The

Blessed Sacrament 10.30 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

St. John's - 7.30 p.m.

The sick and housebound will be visited as usual.

Ministers of The Eucharist - October

Vigil - Aine McCoole, Sharon Garland, Colm McCann, Patsy Lambe. Â

8.30 a.m. Martin Barlow, Eddie McVeigh. Â

10 a.m. Kathleen Hagan, Denis McKeever, Seamus McCaffrey. Â

11.30 a.m. Ann Murphy, Declan McAtarsney, Bronagh Hagan, Kate Guy.

St. Francis - Madeline O'Neill

Grange - Paddy Gorman

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 2nd October Teresa McCaffrey.

Ministry of The Word - October

Vigil - Â Â Â Â Louise Wilson

8.30 a.m. Â Â Â Â Caroline Lavery

10 a.m. Â Â Â Â Marcelle McAtarsney Â Â Aine McCreesh West

11.30 a.m. Â Â Â Â Margaret Marley

Ministry of The Word: Â

Week beginning 1st October, 10 a.m. Theresa Beattie. 7.30 p.m. David Greer.

Recent Baptisms: Â Maeve Hackett, Katie Hackett Aoibh Toye, Jack Joe Menary

First Communion Programme: Presentation PS P4 children will attend 10am Mass in St. Patrick's Church next Sunday with their parents and families.

Fatima Rosary Group will meet in St. John the Baptist Church next Saturday at 3pm.

Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Theresa will be held in St. Malachy's Church, Irish St., Armagh on 1st October at 7.30 p.m. Bring your own roses to be blessed with the relic of St. Theresa.

Servite Priory, Benburb: Â Â Healing Service, Saturday 3rd November, prayers and talks begin 2 p.m. concludes with Mass.

An Exploration of Catholic Faith (Nine Session Course) Begins Thursday 11th October in Convent of Mercy, Dungannon, 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. Course Fee Â£75. Phone 00353 42 937 1945 to register.

Spiritual Exercises in Daily Life - If you feel a need to deepen your spiritual life, without having to interrupt daily routine, you may be interested in this course. It will be, hopefully, a mixed church group experience and spread over several months. First meeting Friday 5th October. Phone Fr. Michael Bingham 383330366.

Southern Area Hospice Annual Church Door Collection after all Masses next weekend.

Reflection

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Not just a story - Dives and Lazarus

In one of the world's poorest cities
 I saw a young boy
 selling fruit at the railway platform.
 He would make a few pence a day,
 enough maybe to stay alive,
 and God knows where he would sleep.

The inequality of opportunities in the world,
 Dives and Lazarus -
 not just a story but real life.

We don't all start life on a level playing field;
 some walk uphill from the very beginning,
 and Jesus was among the poorest of us. Â

Our heart must wince
 at children who are hungry and homeless
 from birth,Â Â
 at people who want a job and cannot get one,
 at homelessness, addiction and any form of abuse;
 for parents who cannot give to their children
 the best of life and love they wish for them;
 for the elderly who are poor and neglected,
 and we wonder what can we do.

For we are not the problem:
 neither you nor I have caused the poverty of so many,
 but we can be part of the
 solution
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We can join our hearts with the heart of God
 and urgently wish to make things better;
 we can join our hands to the hands of God
 and urgently work to make things better,
 and create within parish,
 neighbourhood, city and world,
 places where a more just and caring
 society is created.

Can we hear the cry of people who feel neglected
 so that our hearts are moved with
 Â compassion
 and our energies moved to give
 time, love and care
 to those who need help and support,
 for they are the brothers and sisters of
 Â Jesus?
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Parish & Community Notices

When submitting notices for the bulletin please include a contact name and telephone number. Â
 Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

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Legion of Mary:Â Â Meeting every Monday evening after Novena Mass in St. Patrick's Church.Â New members always welcome.Â Any enquiries please contact Lee Walters 028 38341496.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

URGENTLY REQUIRED!!Â Baby clothes and Bric a Brac.

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times.Â Collection can be arranged.Â Contact the shop. Clothes shop and Furniture shop in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road, tel. 38393898. Opening Hours:Â Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.Â Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Â

NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639.Â Response within 48 hours.

ARE YOU HAVING DIFFICULTIES IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP? SKILLED COUNSELLORS CAN HELP YOU.Â CALL ACCORD - ph. 38334781.

BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP:Â Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m. English/ ICT for beginners.

October - TADI (talking about tough issues) and Bill of Rights. Â

November - Know Yourself & Your Neighbour.Â Contact Phyllis for further information.Â 38339916.Â Volunteers needed to supervise Homework Club.

Tir Na nOg GFC:Â Bingo every Tuesday 8.30 p.m.Â The bigger the crowd the bigger the prizes.Â Support the Club Lotto.

St. John's Accordion Band:Â Lessons in accordion, percussion and keyboard Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School.Â All ages welcome.

Drumcree Community Centre:Â Conwell School of Dance - classes for children 9 - 15 yrs, Monday 1st October.Â Contact Kevin 38347286 or 07933528627 for more information.

SPRED Group - Recommences Wednesday 26th September in Drumcree Community Centre, 7.30 p.m.Â Enquiries ph. 38392568.

Ashgrove Playgroup - A.G.M. Wednesday 3rd October in Ashgrove Community Centre at 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Women's Guild:Â Meeting Wednesday 3rd October in Ashgrove Community Centre at 8 p.m.Â Guest Speaker. New members always welcome.

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT - Weekly

Â Meditation on Monday at 7.30 p.m. at 103 Thomas St.Â Tai Chi classes Tuesday 8 p.m. and Thursday 11 a.m. in Committee Room of Cascades Leisure Centre.Â Sarah's Circle, a spirituality programme for women begins Saturday 6th October, 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. For information and to register call 38332220.

St. John's Scouts:Â Scouts - Monday 7 - 9 p.m. - Cubs Tuesday 7 - 8.30 p.m. - Beavers Wednesday 7 - 8.30 p.m.Â New members always welcome.

Ashgrove Community Centre:Â Conwell School of Dance - classes starting Tuesday 9th October, 8.15 p.m.Â 16 - adult.Â For information phone 38347286 or 07933528627. Â

The Children of Belarus Need Your Help - Chernobyl Children Appeal (NI) is a charity set up in 1994 to help the children of Belarus suffering in the aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster.Â If you would like more information please attend the Craigavon Branch information evening in Lurgan Town Hall, Wednesday 3rd October, 7.30 p.m. or phone 38329820.

Christian Aid Lunches (home made soup, wheaten bread, cheese, tea/coffee) - Wednesday 3rd October, 12 noon - 1.30 p.m. in Armagh Road, Presbyterian Church Hall.Â Proceeds in aid of victims of Darfur.Â Please support.Â Lunch Committee are looking for more members from our Parish.Â If interested contact 38333597.