25th November 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. www.drumcreeparish.com

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

25th November 2007 Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

Mass Times: St. John the Baptist Saturday Â 7 p.m. Sunday Â Â 8.30 & 11.30 a.m. St. Patrick's Sunday Â 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.

Phone Numbers: Â Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610 Fr. White 38332218 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescat In Pace Lately deceased: Oliver Halfpenny, Bill McDonnell, Malachy O'Hagan. Â At This Time: . William Wright, Kevin McCaffrey, Dolores Greer, Geralyn Mawhinney, Anthony McGurgan, Harry McQuaid, Hugh Corr, Katherine F. Cullen. Annie Reynolds, Correia Family, Bridget Toal, John McNally & John Joe McNally Sunday 25th: M.M. Rose Keegan, Michael Green, Kevin McDermott, James Hagan, Elizabeth O'Hagan, Isabella O'Hagan, Vera Robinson, Elizabeth Duffy, Mary Donnelly, James Hughes, Dec. Members St. Joseph's Young Priest Society. Â Monday 26th:Â M.M. Gerald Livingstone, Dec. Members Legion of Mary, Hugh Lappin. Tuesday 27th:Â Sarah Murray, Brigid Kelly, Joseph Livingstone, Rose McParland, James Reynolds. Â Wednesday 28th:Â Kevin Hueston, Rosaleen Bogues, John Griffin, Peter Marron, Anne Russell, Charles McNally, Anna Elizabeth Atkinson.

Thursday 29th: Joseph & Mary Byrne, Danny Toland, Patrick Aloysius Douglas. Â Friday 30th:Â John Tate(1st Anniversary), Paddy John Shevlin,Thomas McQuillan Saturday 1st:Â Rose McNally, Zofia Pieszak, Kroenke Family, Catherine Blacker.

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His Eminence Sean Baptist Cardinal Brady, Alleluia! who was created Cardinal yesterday, will today receive a special ring from Pope Benedict – this "Mass of the Rings― is being televised by RTE at 9.30 a.m. Cardinal Brady comes how Thursday. His route through the Archdiocese includes Drogheda 12.30 p.m., Ardee 2.30 p.m., Dundalk 3.30 p.m., Newtownhamilton 5 p.m., Keady 5.30 p.m., Ballymacnab 6.15 p.m., Armagh 7 p.m. Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral at 8 p.m. which RTE Radio 1 will broadcast. All are welcome to join the celebrations, especially the Mass.

Solemnity of Christ the King – Eucharistic Adoration this afternoon to mark this feast. Families and individuals are encouraged to come and pray in thanksgiving, in petition, in adoration. The following guidelines may help in deciding your time; if your address begins with A or B suggested time 1 - 2 p.m. C or D 2 - 3 p.m., E to O 3 - 4 p.m., P to S 4 - 5 p.m., T to Z 5 - 6 p.m. Evening Prayer of the Church at 6 p.m.

Ministers of The Eucharist - December Vigil - Mary McAlinden, Martina O'Hanlon, Ruairi O'Hanlon, Kathleen Lavery. Â 8.30 am, Thomas McCooe, Margaret Marley. Â 10 am, Ann Fleming, Maurice Hagan, Pat Devlin. 11.30 am, Teresa Murphy, Mary Taggart, Roisin Kelly, Gerry Barlow. St. Francis, Bernadette Breen. Grange, E. McAtarsney.

Ministers of the Eucharist: St. John the Baptist, week beginning 26th November Martin Barlow.

Ministers of The Word - December Vigil, Sheila Henderson. 8.30 a.m., Kevin McConville. 10 a.m., Niamh Devlin, Michael Sherry. 11.30 a.m. Monica McCaffrey.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 26th November, 10 a.m. Michael Sherry. 7.30 p.m. Theresa Beattie.

Recent Baptisms:Â Â Angel Kate Gundaya

Fr. Eugene Fasuga and the Polish Community will join us for the 11.30am Mass today, Christ the King.

St. John's Accordion Band will play at 7 p.m. Mass next Saturday, 1st December.

Youth Retreat - on Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th the ADYC Youth Retreat Team will visit our Parish to offer a chance for young people aged 15yrs to 21yrs to take some time out to reflect on life and choices for their future. Venue: Meeting Room, St. John the Baptist Church: Monday 6pm to 8pm; Tuesday 5.30 to 7.30pm ending with a liturgy organised by those attending. All are welcome to attend both evenings or either evening.

St. Vincent De Paul Society: â€ Giving Tree' in both churches 1st December - 16th December. To help those less fortunate in the parish please take symbol from tree, return symbol with appropriate gift. Thank you.

GATE:Â Diocesan Youth Magazine available in the churches.

Sunday 18th November

£2508-60

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

And how is he a king?

How is this man a king? Jesus Christ, of heaven and earth, mocked and killed through the cruelty of his people a king?

Just in Paradise? Or now, today? Where is his power? How is he powerful?

This man - one single life who has been the most predominant influence on human history.

His power is seen on a cross, and the cross is his throne. Maybe we see him at his truest there, Â forgetful of self, mindful of the thief beside him, compassionate to the end, saying to the one beside him on Calvary -†Today you will be with me in paradiseâ€[™].

His power is in the weakness of love, and the strength of compassion. His leadership is in the sharing of struggles and in his vision of humanity. His attraction is in his care for all and in his urgency for justice. His influence is from the truth of God and his desire that this word be heard in the way we live. Â

A king not only of the future but of today, not only of heaven but of earth, not of power but of service, for he comes among us as one who serves.

Compassion, love, forgiveness, truth, wholehearted care and acceptance of us all; this is Jesus the King, fully human, fully divine, Son of God and Son of Mary.

Â 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.

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

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times. Collection can be arranged. 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. Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Â NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

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

BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP: Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m. English/ ICT for beginners. November and December classes - TADI (talking about tough issues) and Bill of Rights. Genealogy (Family Tree) Know Yourself & Your Neighbour. Contact Phyllis for further information. 38339916. Volunteers needed to supervise Homework Club.

Tir Na nOg GFC:Â Â Â Â Â

Annual General Meeting in clubrooms Monday 3rd December. All members are asked to attend. Bingo every Tuesday 8.30 p.m. The bigger the crowd the bigger the prizes. Support the Club Lotto. U8, U10 & U12 Presentation - Monday 26th November, 7.30 p.m. Thursday 29th November U14, U16 & Minor Presentation. All parents are requested to attend. Armagh players and Peter McDonnell in attendance.

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

Ann and Liz thank everyone who supported and attended their Macmillan Coffee Morning. Total raised £1094-16.

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT - Sarah's Circle, a gathering for women of all denominations or none to share faith and prayer on Saturday 1st December, 103 Thomas Street, 11am to 12.30pm. Advent Retreat 15th December, 1045am to 3.30pm. Â HEALING AND EMPOWERING YOUR INNER CHILD sessions are scheduled to begin Wednesday 9th January, 7.30 p.m. For information call Sr. Brigid Kavanagh 38332220.

Drumcree House of Health: Â Positive Thinking Course - 6 weekly workshops starting Tuesday 6th November 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wednesday 7th November, 7 p.m., Tin Whistle class - 6 yrs. and over. £2 per child. Â Still running - Salsa Exercise every Tuesday 8.30 p.m. (£1). Weigh in - every Monday 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Yoga - every Wednesday 11 a.m. (£3).

Christmas Gifts: Trocaire Global Gift Plan brochures available in Churches. â€œOne Action Can Change The World―. to be different.

Recipe Book: Southern Area Hospice are launching Cookery Books with recipes provided by patients, staff and many famous faces, such as Martin Magennis, Ian Paisley, Joe Kernan to name but a few. Available in local shops and in Sacristies of both Churches Price £5.

Congratulations to Fr. Brian MacCuarta S.J. on the recent publication of his book "Catholic Revival in the North of Ireland 1603-41―.

A BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE NORTH:

Anyone interested in taking part in a community consultation on shaping the new Bill of Rights for the North is invited to a series of workshops led by Brian Lennon and Mabel Doole of Community Dialogue at the Mayfair Business Centre Monday 26th November 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. and Saturday 1st December 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Contact Mayfair 38391666 or Drumcree Community Centre 38334522. Refreshments provided.

IS CHRISTMAS JUST FOR CHILDREN? An adult look at the Nativity Stories in the Gospels. 4 Thursday evenings on this theme will be given at Iona House, Churchill Park, starting 29th November at 7 p.m. If interested ring Fr. Michael on 38330366.