13th January 2008

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

13th January 2008 The Baptism of the Lord

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 7p.m. St. Patrick's Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. Monday 7p.m. (Novena - Miraculous Medal)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thursdays in St. John the Baptist Church beginning at 6 p.m.

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

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Lately deceased:Â Â Vincent Malaugh, Nora Rooney, Anne Hyland, Fionnuala Gorman, Una McQuaid, Charlie Hendron At This Time: .Nora Sheridan, William McKernan, Mary McConville, Alice Breslan, Peter McCann, Maggie Murray, Gerald McCann, George Berry, Frank & Mary Ruddy, Ana Maria Xavier Rego. Sunday 13th:Â Francis Bunting, James P. McCooe, Gerald Murphy, Patrick Magennis, Kevin McNally, Margaret McQuade. Monday 14th:Â Mary McGall, John Hayes, Mary Fox, Lily Marley, Jack McShane. Tuesday 15th: Arthur Cush, Gerald Foy, Margaret Donnelly, Maisie Hughes. Â Wednesday 16th: Charlie O'Neill, Patrick Donnelly, Rita Gallagher, Margaret Creaney, Maura Breen. Â Thursday 17th: M.M. James Dunbar, James McConville, Elizabeth McCann, Mary Megarity. Friday 18th:Â Violet Berry, James Fitzsimons, Jim Keogh, William Nugent, David Clarke, John O'Neill, Frank McCaffery. Â Saturday 19th:Â Kathleer McGurgan Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament in St. John the Baptist Church today commencing 4 p.m. and concluding with Benediction at 7 p.m.

Ministers of the Eucharist - January Vigil - Maura Berry, Aine McCooe, Sharon Garland, Colm McCann. 8.30 am Geraldine Lawless, Martin Barlow. Â 10 am Kathleen Hagan, Denis McKeever, Seamus McCaffrey. Â 11.30 am Ann Murphy, Declan McAtarsney, Bronagh Hagan, Kate Guy

St. Francis - Madeline O'Neill. Grange - Mary Taggart

Ministry of The Word - January Vigil - Olivia McDonald. 8.30 am David Greer. 10 am Niamh Devlin, Aine McCreesh-West. 11.30 am Ciara Burnett.

Ministers of the Eucharist: St. John the Baptist, week beginning 15th January Teresa McCaffrey.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 14th January, 10 a.m. Michael Sherry, 7p.m. Margaret Marley.

PALS GROUP - resumes 12th/13th January

Weddings 2008 - some couples have not yet confirmed their date!!!

Parish Pastoral Council meeting Thursday 17th January at 7.30 p.m.St. John the Baptist Meeting Room

Liturgy Group Meeting Thursday 24th January 7.30 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Meeting Room.

Armagh Hospitalite Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 12th to 17th May 2008. A limited number of both Assisted Pilgrim and Pilgrim places are available. Application forms for Assisted Pilgrim places are available in the Sacristies of both Churches. Fully completed forms must be returned before Tuesday 5th February. Pilgrim places can be booked by contacting Bernie Hanratty at 38361870. Diorect flight from Belfast including full board 670Euro.

Knock Marriage Introductions Bureau: the aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. For further information contact 00 353 94 9375960 or visit the website: www.knockmarriagebureau.com

Week of Prayer For Christian Unity celebrates 100yrs. The theme this year is †Pray Without Ceasing.' Churches Togethe In Portadown is hoping to use a unit in High Street Mall to allow people to Pray Without Ceasing for their concerns. And a Prayer Service in St. Patrick's Church on Friday 25th January. Details next week. Interdenominational Service in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Tuesday 22nd January at 8 p.m. Greenhills Ecumenical Conference (Drogheda)Â 21st January at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 23rd December £2822-80 Sunday 30th December £2727-00 Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection Â You are my son, my daughter, the beloved

You are amazed that God could say to you. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You feel ashamed of your past.

You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You are afraid of the future, of illness, of uselessness and of death. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You are guilty for what you've said about another. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved. Â You criticise others in word and thought and judgement, and know that God says of each person. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You feel bad about yourself, how you look, how you feel. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You rejoice in your talents, your gifts and the love of your life. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You are grateful for the friendship of others and you know that God says of each of them. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved.

You wonder about God and search for him in the questions of your life. You are my son, my daughter, the beloved. 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.

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St. Vincent De Paul Society

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: A 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.

ANNUAL REPORT - 1st January - 31st December 2007 Income: Church Door Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â £19,513-75 Â Total Â Â Â Â£22,854-88 Expenditure:

Senior Citizen's Tea Dance In Tir Na nOg Club, Monday 28th January, 8 p.m. Ticket £2 available from shop. Numbers limited.

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

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Courses as follows:- Venue - Cohannon Inn. Tuesday 19th Feb, 26th Feb., 4th March, 8th April, 15th April, 22nd April, 6th May,13th May & 20th May. All times 7 - 10 p.m. Booking now.

BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP: Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m. English/ ICT for beginners. Â Contact Phyllis for further information. 38339916. Volunteers needed to supervise Homework Club.

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

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

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT - programmes at 103 Thomas Street. MEDITATION on Mondays 7.30pm; HEALING AND EMPOWERING YOUR INNER CHILD on Wednesday 9th January to 26th February 7.30 p.m. T'AI CHI CHIH at Cascades Leisure Centre on Thursdays 10th January to 27th February 11am. Call Sr. Brigid Kavanagh 38332220 to register and for further information.

Naiscoil Na Banna (Irish Language Pre School): If you have a child aged 2+ and are interested in Irish Medium Education contact Shileen at the Naiscoil, 38391243.

Presentation Primary School:Â Enrolment for September 2008. Application forms now available from school. Completed forms to be returned by Wednesday 23rd January 2008.

Drumcree Community Centre: Yoga classes resume Wednesday 16th January, 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Â£3 per session. Tel. 38334522.

Drumcree College: Vacancies for Classroom Assistant/Domestic Assistant and Domestic Assistant. Phone 38334725 for further details.

Adult Keep Fit Dance/Aerobic Classes - new session starts Monday 14th January. Phone College for more information. Wanted!!! old/used greeting and Christmas cards. Leave at office.

St. John the Baptist Nursery School: application forms now available for September 2008. Closing date Wednesday 23rd January at 12noon.