20th April 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 â€" 1835

20th April 2008 Fifth Sunday of Easter

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.

Devotions 1st and 2nd Sunday

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

Jesus Christ is Risen. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lately deceased: Noel Hannon-Mackey, Eileen Marley, Brian Derry, Francis McDowell, Bridie Maher(McNeice), Noel McCann Â

At This Time: Hugh Marley, Tom McClean, Margaret Lawless, Vincent Melaugh(Jnr), James Patrick Tiffney Sunday 20th: Catherine Kelly(1st Anniversary), Bernadette Prunty, Daniel O'Neill, Hugh Madden, Peter McGrane, James McCormick Â

Monday 21st: M.M. Mary Quinn, Eileen Taggart(1st Anniversary),Bobby O'Neill, Billy Murphy, Annie Reilly, Mary Jane O'Neill, Peter McEvoy, James Millsopp, Cassie O'Connor, Adrian Lamph, Bobby Smith.

Tuesday 22nd: Arthur Walsh, Michael Byrne, Denis McGarry, John Goodwin, Dalene Hall. Â

Wednesday 23rd:Â Â Lily Murphy, Frank McCann, John Loftus, Mary Catherine Kelly. Â

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Thursday 24th:Â Martin Reynolds, Mary McCann, Eileen Conlan Â
Friday 25th: M.M. Georgina Creaney, Jodie Marley(1st Anniversary), Eileen O'Hehir, McGoldrick Family, Patrick
Bernard Murphy, Joseph Gibson, Kevin Donnelly, John McKeown Â Saturday 26th: Philomena Litter, Hugh Breen, Ben
O'Brien

DID YOU KNOW

In a survey in 1986, 75% of people were satisfied with their job. In 2006, only 34% said they were satisfied in their job. Are you one of those 66% seeking more satisfaction from what you do?

Year of VOCATION 13th April â€~08 - 3rd May â€~09

Is God calling YOU?
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Vocation in The Archdiocese of Armagh

T: (00353) 42 93 34259 E: vocation@eircom.net W:www.armaghvocation.ie

Calling all young people ages 15 - 20 yrs: It is planned that a venture organised through our Parish Youth Centre will help young people to journey together in faith and get involved in the life of the Church. First meeting on Sunday 20th April at 7.30 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church ending in St. Mary's Youth Centre at 9.15 p.m.

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Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 22nd April Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 21st April 10 a.m. Michael Sherry, 7 p.m.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Ceremony of Light, Sunday 27th April in St. John the Baptist Church at 7 p.m. Please bring Baptismal Candle (if you have one), if not, one will be supplied.

Easter Celebration in Song - St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh Sunday 27th April, 7.30 p.m. Choirs from across the diocese will take part, including choirs from the Parish. All are invited to attend.

"Liturgy without Priest―: A special evening with Fr. Pat O'Donoghue will take place in the Synod Hall, Armagh on To 22nd April at 8 p.m. Fr. Pat will cover a range of pastoral situations from birth to death, focusing in a special way on liturgies which people might lead when a priest is unavailable.

Spirituality in the 21st Century: 26th - 27th April. A two day reflection will be held in the Armagh Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Dundalk. Saturday 9.30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Lunch provided on Saturday. The Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday. Cost is 50 Euro.

To book contact the Office of Pastoral Renewal and Family Ministry, 00353 42 9336649.

Taize: The new leader of the Taize community Br. Alois will visit Belfast on Saturday 26th April. A pilgrimage walk will take place from St. Peter's Cathedral to St. Anne's Cathedral, led by leaders of the local churches, starting at 6.15 p.m.. This will be followed by a Taize Prayer Service in St. Anne's Cathedral at 8 p.m. Everyone, and in particular, young people are invited to join this special event. For more information please contact Youthcom, 028 90232432 or email: info@youthcom.org

Diocesan Child Protection Committee: The following training days have been arranged for those working with young people under 18 yrs of age, within and outside parish groups. 26th April Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Dundalk, book by 18th April. 10th May Newry Parish Centre, book by 2nd May. 31st May Synod Hall, Armagh, book by 23rd May. If interested please contact Kate or Pierce at the Diocesan Youth Ministry, Armagh, 02837525592 or email armaghyouth@yahoo.co.uk

Sunday 13th April £2633-68

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

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To be a people of hope

From the very beginning of our existence, from our first whispering cries, we struggle to make sense of who we are and what we are, and of the strange, new furniture of our lives, of sounds and smells, of warmth and cold, of light and shadow, of hands and faces; to put together the bits and pieces of our experience into some kind of order, so that we live without fear in the midst of powers and forces which overwhelm us. We cry to one another,

'What have you discovered?
Do you know the way?'
and to those who have gone before,
'Let your light go on burning,
tell us your secrets..
Set out your experiences
in ways we can make our own',
lest we live like foreigners in the land,
alien to one another's ways,
strangers to the spoken word,
for to be human
is to live in a world of meaning;
but to live without meaning
is to be a stranger
to the human condition.
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Parish & Community Notices

When submitting notices for the bulletin please include a contact name and telephone number.

Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

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

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

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ACCORD - Wanted - people to help prepare couples for marriage.

Interested? Contact ACCORD 38334781 to reserve your place at the information evening on Tuesday 29th April at 8 p.m.

Lourdes 150th Anniversary - Direct from Belfast (7nights) - 17th July Jeanne D'Arc Hotel, £485. Tel 38361289 for details.

Special Remembrance Service - Sunday 20th April at 3 p.m., to give thanks for and remember babies and children who have died, in the Lecture Theatre, College of Nursing, Craigavon Area Hospital. You may wish to bring a flower in memory of your baby/babies and you will have the opportunity to view the Books of Remembrance.

Drumcree House of Health: Yoga Wednesday 11 - 12.30, £4 per session or £36 for 12 week course. Salsa Exercise, Tuesday 8.30, £1 per session. All in Drumcree Community Centre. Phone Jennifer 38334522.

SPRED - The group meet on Wednesday in Drumcree Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. Enquiries 38392568.

THANKS! St. John the Baptist PTA thank all who helpedin the re-cycling of mobile phones. Special thanks to Mallon's, Costcutters and Litters. Over £750 was raised.

St. Mary's Youth Centre: Senior Ladies Netball every Tuesday 7 - 8 p.m. Ages 15 yrs - Adult. All welcome. Phone 38337524.

Ashgrove Seniors Luncheon Club: Places available at the Luncheon Club on Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon. Lunch & Bingo

£1-50. If interested (over 60's), contact Ashgrove Community Centre.

Rotary water project "Sit Out― by Rotarian Tom Lee on Saturday 3rd May next. 6,000children under the age of five die every day due to lack of fresh water and poor sanitation. Money raised from this  Sit Out' will help Munura, South Kenya and will supply and install five wells and a water pipeline. 100% of money collected goes to the project. Be as generous as you can, please.

Medjugorje Pilgrimages: 31st May - 7 nights £419 ex Belfast. 2nd August - 7 nights £410 ex Belfast. 25th October - 7 nights £460 ex Dublin. All half board accommodation. For information contact Stephanie Donnelly 02820768917 or 07762130882

Holy Land Pilgrimage: 3rd - 12th September Direct from Belfast. £850 p.p.s. inclusive of all taxes. For information contact Ann Diamond, 02879468134.

Christian Aid: Collectors required for Christian Aid Week. Tel. 38333597. Last lunch of this session on Wednesday 7th May in Armagh Road, Pres. Church Hall, 12 noon - 1.30 p.m.

Bannside Community Centre: Arts and Crafts Classes, 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. English classes, Thursday 10 a.m. ICT for beginners. Cross community trip to Dublin, 4th - 11th July for children P5 - P7. Homework Club, Volunteer needed Wednesday. For information contact Carol 028 38339916.

GATE - Diocesan Youth Magazine on sale in Churches £1.50.

Southern Area Hospice Services: Â Due to an expansion of services the Hospice have volunteering opportunities in various roles. Â For information or application pack phone Rosemary Gartland 30267711.

Craigavon Marie Curie Cancer Care thank all who contributed to their recent collections. Further fundraising events include annual "Walk in the Park― 14th May and Craigavon Cycle 21st June. Any enquiries to Margaret Coleman, tel. 38343411.

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