

7th September 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.

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

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Twenty-Third 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 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:

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Willie McCann, Hilda Coulter, Jackie Harrison

At This Time: James McKenna, Francis & Rose Hanratty, Liam Donnelly, Elizabeth McClean, Rose Anne Robinson, Catherine McCann, Cornelious McCann, Mary Loughran, Anne Clare Sherry, Angela Woodhouse, Colm O'Callaghan

Sunday 7th: Mary Molloy, Joan Goodwin, Peter Lawless, Margaret Foy, Sally McAlinden Edon

Monday 8th: M.M. Leo Mackle, Canon P.J. Early, Charlotte Hueston, Mary Hamill, Margaret Fearon, Margaret Campbell

Tuesday 9th: M.M. Tomas Tishna, Maureen Kavanagh, Rosina Doherty, John Garvey, Lawrence Cusack

Wednesday 10th: M.M. Henryk Jasniak, Tony Gorman, James McConville, Ted McCorry, Ana Maria Xavier Rego, Sebastiao Alves, Maria da Gloria Belo
 Thursday 11th: M.M. Imelda Farrell, Charlie Keegan, Patrick Gerard Lavery
 Friday 12th:
 Saturday 13th: Tommy McAlinden

Thanks and praise to the Oberjesingen Church Choir and Blocken-Ensemble who sang and played at Mass last Saturday.

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 9th September Eddie McVeigh.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 8th September 10 a.m. Damien Russell. 7 p.m. David Greer.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage at Knock: Sunday 14th September. All welcome.

Evangelium: The Knights of St. Columbanus propose a course on the Catholic faith for adults of all ages in the Parish. The Evangelium programme is based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church and offers 25 individual modules covering the Creed, Sacraments, Moral Life and Prayer. Brief information sessions will be held after Masses next weekend. Additional details on notice boards and Parish Website.

Sign Up Sunday - 27th/28th September - What can I as a member of the Church Community contribute to Parish life through involvement in Liturgy and Church based organisations?

St. John the Baptist Church car park gate will be locked at 8.30pm

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT will sing in St. John the Baptist Church on Friday 10th October. Tickets, £7, available next week. Profits towards Parish Developing World Project.

40 Days for Life - Pro-life group PRECIOUS LIFE have organised 40 days of prayer and fasting in an effort to stop plans by Westminster to force abortion on N. Ireland. We ask for at least 40 parishioners to sign up for one or more of the 40 days. The effort begins Monday 8th Sept. and will culminate in a Rally for Life at Stormont on Saturday 18th October. For more information contact Bernadette on 02890278484 or visit

www.preciouslife.com

Forgiven ... a true story. Precious Life invite you to hear the testimony of Denise Mountenay as she shares how she found healing after the pain of three abortions. Information evening in the Europa Hotel, Belfast, on Thursday 11th September at 8 p.m.

The following courses will be offered at Iona House (Jesuits) in October:

1. "Finding God in all Things"™. The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius - shared and mixed (protestant - catholic) group (limited numbers) - 32 weeks, meeting fortnightly, beginning Friday 10th October, 7.30 p.m.
2. "Faith Seeking Understanding"™, a fresh look at familiar beliefs - things I have wondered about but was afraid to ask the bible, the gospels, the church, its teachings - fortnightly, starting provisionally Friday October 17th, 7.30 p.m. Anyone interested in either of these please contact Fr. Michael, 211 Churchill Park, 38330366.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 31st August

Total £2764-76

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

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A prayer for every day

Day after day, O Lord of my life,
 shall I stand before you face to face.
 With folded hands, O Lord of all worlds,
 shall I stand before you face to face.

Â£1-50.Â If interested (over 60â€™s), contact Ashgrove Community Centre.

Bannside Community Centre:Â Arts and Crafts Classes, 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.Â English classes, Thursday 10 a.m. ICT for beginners.Â Homework Club resumes 8th September..Â For information contact Carol 028 38339916.

St. Johnâ€™s Accordion Band:Â Classes in music on Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School.Â Anyone wishing to join contact a committee member at the school on the evening.

Drumcree Community Centre:Â Parent and toddler group each Monday at 10.30 a.m.Â Cabin Club:Â All clubs start back Monday 15th September.Â Registration for all clubs Wednesday 10th September 4 - 6 p.m.Â Â£3 per child.Â Meeting for those willing to volunteer to work with children on Tuesday 9th September 7 p.m. or contact James, Terri or Joanna.Â Drumcree House of Health:Â Weigh-in resumes Monday 8th September 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Naiscoil Na Banna - an Irish Language pre school.Â Any parent interested in educating their children through the Irish medium please contact Ciara at the Naiscoil 38391243.Â Three P.E.A.G.S. are available for 3-4 yr. old now.

Armagh Diocesan Pioneer Matt Talbot Mass: Annual Pilgrimage the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott St., Dublin will take place on Sunday 5th October.Â Mass will be celebrated at 3 p.m.

McMillen Coffee Morning:Â Ann and Liz invite you to a Coffee Morning in Ashgrove Centre on Friday 26th September, 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.Â All welcome.