18th January 2009

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

18th January 2009 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Â 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

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Â Danny O'Neill, Edmund Cullinan, Peggy McGurgan, Msgr. Peter F Shields, Kathleen Mullan, Jack Hagan, James Cullen, Jim Reavey, Canon Francis Kelly, Pete Warren, Peter Jackson, Joe Rafferty, Sarah Connolly At This Time: Maria Saldanha, Guilherme Rezende, Margaret Flynn, Mary McGall, Cosme Ximenes, Ana Maria Xavier do Rego, Sebastiao Aparicio, Maria da Gloria Belo, Franciseo Xavier, Ofelia do Rego, Rhoda Madden Â Sunday 18th: John Faloon, James Fitzsimons, Joseph Henry Wear, Violet Berry, Jim Keogh, Frank McCaffery, James P McCooe, Malachy Grimley Monday 19th: Mary Campbell, Joseph C. Daly, Alfred McCullagh, Mary Byrne, Violet Beattie, Peggy Marley Tuesday 20th:Â John Charles Mackle, Sylvester Lavery, Eileen Harrison, Harry Marley, Annie Henderson Wednesday 21st:Â Alice McGeehan(1st Anniversary), Patrick Robinson, John Reynolds, James Gillen Thursday 22nd:Â Mary McCourt, Elizabeth Lamb, Joseph McGrane, Dominic Marley Friday 23rd:Â Gerard Lyttle(1st Anniversary), Brigid Jordan, John McVeigh, Bernard Vallely, Patricia Rodgers, Patrick Lappin, Danny Turley, James Neeson Saturday 24th:Â Mairead Cullen, James Grimley, Vincent Marley, Johnny Campbell, Mary Corrigan, Frank McCann

Advent/Christmas/Epiphany - we celebrated this time very prayerfully and with great dignity in our Parish. Thanks to all who made this possible.

Ministers of the Eucharist St. John the Baptist, week beginning 19th January Paddy Gorman.

Ministry of The Word - Week beginning 19th January 10 a.m. Tommy Bradley. 7 p.m. Ursula Barlow.

Bringing up the gifts of bread and wine at 10 a.m. Mass in St. Patrick;s Church on Sundays:Â Families who normally attend this Mass and would like to do this are asked to contact Francis.

Recent Baptisms:Â Lily Rose Donnelly, Ricardo Carlos Victor

Sacrament of Confirmation: those preparing, along with parents and families, will attend Mass next weekend; Ballyoran CPS on Saturday 7pm; Presentation PS Sunday 10am; St. John the Baptist PS Sunday 11.30am.

Armagh Hospitalite Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Annual pilgrimage 12th - 17th May. A limited number of both Assisted Pilgrim and Pilgrim places are available. Application forms for Assisted Pilgrim Places are available from Sacristy of both Churches. Completed forms must be returned before Wednesday 4th February. To book pilgrim places contact Bernie Hanratty 38361870. Direct flight ex Belfast, full board, 700 Euro.

Feasts: Tuesday, Sts Fabian and Sebastian; Wednesday St Agnes; Thursday St Vincent; Saturday St Francis de Sales.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th - 25th January:Â An Interdenominational Service will be held in Thomas Street Methodist Church on Friday 23rd at 8pm followed by refreshments at St. Patrick's Rooms. Also in the Church of Ireland Cathedral, Armagh, on Wednesday 21st January at 8 p.m. All welcome.

TheGreenhills Ecumenical Conference takes place in Drogheda on Monday 19th January, 10.30 a.m. to 3.45 p.m. The theme is `The Eucharist: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow, a reformation Perspective'. Cost including lunch £15.

St. John the Baptist Nursery School: application forms are now available for free pre-school places for September 2009 admissions. Closing date for

applications is Wednesday 21st January 2009 at 12noon. For more information call or contact Mrs. Murtagh at 38339283.

Presentation Primary School: Enrolment for September 2009. Application forms available from Principal, Miss Yvonne Mulholland, telephone 38334965. Completed forms to be returned by Wednesday 21st January, 2009.

Who ministers to the minister? You do.

I thank all who voiced their concern for my welfare during the week following the event of Monday afternoon. Your prayers and

generosity and goodness have helped and healed. I am particularly touched by those who are going through their own traumas at present who took time to think about me. Be vigilent about your own safety and that of family and neighbours. Let us pray for each other. Michael O'Dwyer

Offertory Collection Sunday 11th January Total Â £2694-41 Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection Â Where do you live?

The question of the disciples to Jesus -Where do you live? is the search for God, the quest for truth, love and meaning.

And you ask it sometimes in peace: you sit by peaceful water or rushing waves, or in a quiet room, and wonder without worry.

Or you hold a hand and know you are loved, and you live in the world of love and you wonder in joy at the source of it all.

Or you struggle with loss and hurt, or with loneliness and confusion and the question hurts and you wish it would go away.

And the question leads to meaning, to truth, and to love.

Come and see: be prepared to be surprised by beauty, joy and peace, by courage and by strength.

Come and see: be prepared to be open to the love of another so that it can change you. Â Come and see: and you will know that God lives, and you're glad to ask the question: Where do you live? Â When submitting potices for the bulletin please

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St. Vincent De Paul Society

Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 or Furniture shop tel. 38394219, 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.

Tea Dance in Tir na nOg on Thursday 19th February. Ticket £2, available from shop. Bus details later.

Drumcree College: Linda May's Dance Classes begin Monday 5th January; 5pm-6pm age 4-8years; 6pm-7pm age 9-18years. Starting soon on Monday nights adult beginners keep fit/aerobics. Wanted - old/used Christmas and greetinmg cards. Please leave at the College.

St. Mary's Youth Centre After Schools Club (8 - 11 yrs) every Tuesday 3 - 5 p.m. Evening Club (12 yrs. +) Monday, Tuesday, Friday 7 - 10 p.m. Membership £3. Subs 50p. All welcome.

Presentation Sisters Koinonia Project: Programmes at 103 Thomas St. Â Weekly Meditation resumes Monday, 12th January, 7.30 p.m. T'ai Chi Chih classes are Wednesday 7.30 p.m. and Thursday 11 a.m. at the Cascades Leisure Centre. For information or for appointments phone Sr. Brigid at 38332220.

St. John's Accordion Band: Classes in music on Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School. Anyone wishing to join contact a committee member at the school on the evening. Â Â Â Â Â Ashgrove Seniors Luncheon Club:Â Places available at the Luncheon Club on Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon. Lunch & Bingo £1-50. If interested (over 60's), contact

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Conwell School of Dance:Â Beginners classes atarting Wednesday

11th February, 8 p.m. in Ashgrove Community Centre. Â£5 per session or £26 for 6 week course. Call 38331650 for details or just turn up.

St. Malachy's Hurling Club 50th Anniversary Banquet in Armagh City Hotel on Saturday 4th April 2009. Anyone wishing to attend please contact any of the following: Eamon Douglas - 07841694086; Leon Reynolds - 07917141444; Vincent McAleenan - 07979835935. Tickets £50 per person; Formal dress only.

Tir Na nOg GFC - Meeting for anyone interested in helping with underage boys and girls gaelic Monday 19th January 6.45 p.m.

Bingo Tuesdays at 8.30 p.m. U14 training Monday 5 - 6 p.m. U12 training 6 - 7 p.m. U10 7 - 8 p.m. All in Drumcree College.

Bannside Development Centre: Arts and Crafts Classes, 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. English classes, Thursday 10 a.m. ICT for beginners. Homework Club 3.15 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. For information contact Carol 028 38339916.

Naiscoil Na Banna - an Irish Language pre school. Any parent interested in educating their children through the Irish medium please contact Ciara at the Naiscoil 38391243.

Richmount Rural Community A.G.M. Thursday 29th January at 8 p.m. in Richmount P.S.

Fatima 2009 - 4th June & 23rd July: 7 nights full board, Hotel Recinto. Full tours etc. accompanied by Spiritual Director. For more information and booking contact Rita O'Neill, tel. 90623186.

Thanks: 3rd World Draw: Jimmy McCann and Seamus O'Neill thank all who sold and bought tickets for the draw. Money raised £1115. 1st Prize - Seamus Brown, Ashgrove Manor, 2nd Prize - Stephan O'Hare, Rose Cottages, 3rd Prize - Susan McKee, Selshion Grove.