

26th July 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.

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

26th July 2009

Seventeenth 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: Kate Hamill, James McAlinden, Leszek Grzesiak, Alice Fowler, Rose Toner, William Dougan

Pray for the family of Baby Kevin Heatley who died.

At This Time: Patricia McConville, Annie Fee, Harry McQuaid

Sunday 26th: Jim McVeigh, Mary Lappin, Mary Williamson

Monday 27th: Jean Morris, Clara McCann, Eugene McCann, Sarah Jane Tiffney

Tuesday 28th: MM Gerry Breen, Mary Loftus, Tom McCann, Una Campbell, Annie Keogh

Wednesday 29th: MM Paul Murray, Michael Kelly, Caoimhe McCann, George Smith, Ellen Hamill, Patrick McGurgan

Thursday 30th: Eamonn Kelly, Mary Donaghy

Friday 31st: Eleanor McNally, Bronagh McNally

Saturday 1st: MM Patrick Megarity, Vera McDonald, Mary McCann, Patrick Judge

Anniversaries late for bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on the proper day.

Ministers of the Eucharist - August

7pm: Theresa McCaffrey, Paddy Gorman, Miriam Loftus, Bernadette Breen; 8.30am: Catherine McCooe, Geraldine Lawless, Martin Barlow; 10am: Ann Fleming, Maurice Hagan, Pat Devlin; 11.30am: Teresa Murphy, Mary Taggart, Roisin Kelly, Gerry Barlow.

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 28th July Geraldine Lawless

Ministry of The Word - August

7pm Ursula Barlow; 8.30am Eamon

McCausland; 10am Damian Russell; 11.30am Jerome Marley.

Week beginning 27th July 10 a.m. Peggy McKeever. 7 p.m. Pat Hagan

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Sign-Up Sunday: 26th/27th

September - Parish based societies/groups/organisations should use this weekend to promote and recruit new members.

Parish Pastoral Centre - model and plans are in St. John the Baptist Church to view.

Fr. White will visit his First Friday Communion calls this coming week: Thursday calls will be visited on Monday; others on the usual days.

Feasts: Thursday 30th St. Peter Chrysologus; Friday 31st St. Ignatius Loyola; Saturday 1st St. Alphonsus Liguori - founder of the Redemptorists.

Friday 31st St. Ignatius Loyola - founder of the Society of Jesus, special day of celebration for the Jesuit Community - Fr. Michael and Bro Davey - in our Parish. An tAthair Brian MacCuarta left recently for a sabbatical year of study in USA. We wish him well and thank him for his work among us to date and hope to see him return to us next year.

Sacrament of Marriage: congratulations to those recently married -

Katie Mulholland and John Friel;

Carol Douglas and Conor Judge;

Ciara Nichols and James Connolly;

Fionnuala Quinn and Darren Pharro;

Corrina Metcalfe and Tony Creaney.

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Offertory Collection - Sunday 5th

Total - Â£2539-73

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GATE - Diocesan Youth Magazine

available in Churches - Â£1-50.

Reflection

HE FED THE CROWD

A mother and small child stood in line for Communion; the child was too young for Communion so just trailed up by the hand.

And then looked up at the minister with a big open mouth.

And the Gospel came alive with the need of the people for food, and mouths open for the bread of life.

The image of this child is an image of the Gospel, as Jesus feeds the people.

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The gift of the bread of life is about being open and being fed; people hungry from their journey and hungry for the bread of life.

Only in the face of the child was the mouth so open; but aren't we all grasping for the bread of life?

What is it that Jesus gives that we need?

A meaning to life that is full, a love that somehow gives fullness. Thereâ€™s a lot of emptiness around, superficial meetings and need for real love, selfish fantasies and the need for real fullness, various addictions and the need for real self-love;

And donâ€™t we need to be like the child - not afraid to open the mouth, wide and spontaneous.

Just the open mouth said more than all the words, a gesture which symbolised the world.

Thatâ€™s how we are before God.

Lord, I need to ask for the bread of life.

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.

If you are willing to share what you have, God will multiply your gifts. Imagine how God can use you to nourish a hungry world. Consider being a sister, brother, priest or deacon.Â Contact Fr. Paddy Rushe 00353 42 93 34259.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 orÂ Furniture shop tel. 38394219,Â in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road.Â Opening hours Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.Â Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.Â NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639.Â Response within 48 hours.

Armagh Diocesan Youth Council: The following pilgrimages/festivals are available for young people:Â 10th August Croagh Patrick (15 - 35). 13 - 16 August Clonmacnoise (16 - 35).Â For information contact 37525592.

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Emmanuel Community are running a Student Pilgrimage to Paray le Monial - 8 - 13th August for 18 - 25 yr olds.Â Price 280 Euro, includes registration, accommodation, food and travel while in France.Â Excludes return flight to France. Contact Kevin 07762327275 or email emmanuelyouth.ireland@hotmail.com

ACCORD - The Armagh ACCORD centre, formerly known as CMAC, is celebrating its 40th anniversary later this year.Â Were you involved? Are you ex staff?Â Do you have any stories to share?Â If you have any information or stories please contact the Armagh office on 02838334781 or email

armagh@accordni.comÂ Â Â

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Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Clonmacnoise - Thursday 13th - Sunday 16th August.Â For young people aged 16 - 35, an opportunity not to be missed.Â Donation only.Â Free buses available from around N. Ireland.Â For more information contact 07929095820 or check website www.youth2000.ie

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses: in Armagh City Hotel on 9th/16th/23rd September and 4th/11th/18th November; in Cohannon Inn on 8th/15th/22nd September and 6th/13th/20th October and 3rd/10th/17th November. It is important to book early even if your wedding is not until 2010. To book contact ACCORD Office at 38334781.

An Evening of Celebration and Song in the newly restored St. Patrickâ€™s Church, Dungannon on Friday 21st August at 8pm. The Church will be formally rededicated on Sunday 6th September. Artists on 21st include Susan McCann, Malachi Cush, Liam Lawton. Tickets available by contacting 87722631 or 87726893.

2nd August The Indulgence of St. Mary of the Portiuncula - originally granted to St. Francis of Assisi to those who visit the Portiuncula Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels in Assisi on this date. St. Francis had gone to this chapel one night and had a vision of Our Lord and his mother, Mary surrounded by a host of angels. When asked if he had a special favour, Francis

requested the grace of full pardon for all who, having confessed their sins, would visit the chapel. The small chapel is now in the Basilica at Assisi and the indulgence is extended to all who visit the Parish Church - St. John the Baptist Church in our case - between noon on Friday through to Saturday evening.

Tir na nOg GFC:Â Back by popular demand â€˜Strictly Come Dancing 2009â€™.Â Anyone wishing to take part please contact Carville on 07706301311.

Bannside Development Centre: Bannside Scribblers Mondays 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.Â Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.Â English classes Thursday 10 a.m.Â I.C.T. for beginners.Â Phone 38339916.