18th October 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

18th October 2009 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mission Sunday

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

This evening at 8 p.m. in St. John's School, Fr. Gerry Hughes SJ will talk and lead a discussion on `Spirituality - What has it to say to Todays Concerns?'

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 19th October Teresa McCaffrey.

Ministry of The Word - Week beginning 19th October 10 a.m. Patricia Doran. 7 p.m. Michael Dennison.Â

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First Communion Programme: P4 children, their parents and families will attend Mass to mark their preparation for the Sacrament: Â

7 p.m. Saturday 24th St. John the Baptist P.S. and Bun Scoil; Â Â

10 a.m. Sunday 25th Presentation P.S.

11.30 am Sunday 25th Ballyoran C.P.S.

Sacrament of Confirmation - Saturday 29th May 2010 at 3 p.m. with Cardinal Sean Brady. Gaelige - St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, Saturday 20th March, 5 p.m., with Bishop Clifford. Â

First Communion Dates: Presentation P.S..24th April, Ballyoran CPS 8th May, Eoin Baiste Bun Scoil 8th May, St. John the Baptist P.S.22nd May. Â

Recent Baptisms:Â Jude Francis Thomas Cullen, Rhyan Sean Duffin, Kayla Rose White

Sacrament of Marriage: congratulations to Mandy Geary and John Paul Nelson; Evette Murphy and Paul McKenna;Â Margaret Clarke and Thomas Rafferty - who were married recently.

Evangelium: Friday 23rd October at 7.30 p.m. in the Meeting Room, St. John the Baptist Church. Next module - `Vices and Virtues.' Reading questions 377-383 of the Compendium. All are welcome.

Pastoral Centre: thanks to all who prepared and participated in the Blessing of the Site and Sod-cutting last Saturday. Work should begin by the end of the month.

Commemoration of The Faithful Departed:

Mass for the deceased Monday 2nd November at 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church (Novena Prayers said). List of the Dead Sheets for completion are now available in the Churches - to be returned by Saturday 31st October.

Knights of Columbanus meeting Tuesday 20th October at 8 p.m.

Mission Collection will be taken up on 8th December.

Feasts: Monday 19th Ss John Brebeuf, Isaac Jagues, priests and Companions, St. Paul of the Cross; Friday 23rd St. John of Capistrano;Â Saturday 24th St. Anthony Claret. Feasts: Wednesday 14th St. Callistus; Thursday 15th St. Teresa of Avila;Â Friday 16th St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Alocogue, St. Gall;

Fr. O'Dwyer & Fr. White most sincerely thank all who contributed to the October Dues.

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Â Phyllis Little, Maureen Caldwell, Dan Gallagher, Sean McVeigh, Mary Mulholland, Jean McAlinden, Don Lucas, Kathleen Hagan, Fr. Charles Vallely, Patrick Byrne

At This Time:Â Margaret Gorman, Theresa McReynolds, Arthur O'Neill, Minnie McCann, Brian Henry, Lily May Sunday 18th: Kathleen McCann, Gerald McParland, Terry McCann, Mary Marley, Patrick Lappin, Mary Laverty, Veronica Gorman Â

Monday 19th:Â Hugh McGeough, John Davies Â

Tuesday 20th:Â Bridie McKeever, Elizabeth Cullen

Wednesday 21st: M.M. Laurence McKenna, Margaret Connolly, Christopher O'Connor, William James Murphy, Cahal McNally

Thursday 22nd:Â Michael Marley, Annie Hyde, Patrick Fearon, Michael McParland, Oliver Smyth, Annie Steele, Ann Douglas

Friday 23rd: Vincent Litter Â

Saturday 24th: Â

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

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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.

Whoever wants to be great must serve others. Who are the ones you consider "great"? What can you do to carry on their legacy? Â Contact Fr. Paddy Rushe 00353 42 93 34259.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 or Furniture shop tel. 38394219, in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road. Opening

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hours Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Â URGENTLY REQUIRED! - Baby clothes.

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

The Presentation Sisters Koinonia Project -Â Meditation Mondays 7.30 p.m., T'ai Chi Chih classes Wednesdays 7.30 p.m. or Thursdays 11 a.m. Spiritual Direction by appointment. For details please call 38332220 or e-mail brigidkavanagh@btinternet.com

St. Mary's Women's Guild:Â Next meeting on 4th November. Â Ballydoghan - cars will leave St. John's car park at 6.20 p.m. sharp Â Â Â Â Â Friday 23rd October.

Drumcree College - Christmas Craft / Food Fair on Sunday 29th November 12 noon - 5 p.m. Also Car Boot Sale at the same time. Craft Stalls Â Â Â Â Û Cindoors). Car £7 - Van £12. To book phone 07707287843 or 38334725. To event is in aid of P.I.P.S. - charity dealing with the prevention of suicide.

Basketball - P7 - 1st & 2nd years every Wednesday from 3.30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Adult fitness classes Wednesdays 7.30 p.m. -8.30 p.m. For more information contact the school 38334725.

SPRED - Wednesday in Drumcree Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. Enquiries phone 38392568.

Drumcree Community Centre: A Help with Arthritis - 6 week course starting Monday 19th October 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. A Phone to book.

Drumcree House of Health - Monday Young People Clinic 6 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday Carer's Support & Women's Night, Thursday Men's Evening.

Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

Tir Na nOg GFC: Irish classes for beginners every Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in clubrooms. Bingo every Tuesday night 8.30 p.m. Snowball begins next week. Â£500 for 40 numbers, raised each week by £50 until won. All support most welcome.

Weddings 2010 - couples who have booked weddings for next year should confirm their bookings this month.

Children in Crossfire are recruiting enthusiastic individuals to participate in the Barcelona Half Marathon in February 2010 and Cycle Vietnam in April 2010. A registration fee is requested and minimum sponsorship applies. If you are interested in either of these challenges, please contact Sarah on 028 71269898 or e-mail events@childrenincrossfire.org

Bannside Development Centre: A Holistic approach to Health - a series of talks starting Thursday 15th October, 10 a.m. -12 noon. Homework Club Monday and Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m. Â£1 per day.

Bannside Scribblers - Mondays 7 - 9 p.m. English Classes Â Thursday 10 a.m. also I.C.T. for beginners. For more information contact Carol on 38339916.

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Courses dates in 2010.

Course 1 - Armagh City Hotel, Wednesday 20th, 27th of January and Wednesday 3rd February. A Course runs for 3 weeks 7 - 10 p.m.

Course 2 - Armagh City Hotel, Wednesday 14th, 21st and 28th April.

Course runs for 3 weeks 7 - 10 p.m. Due to increasing demand couples are advised to book their place at least ten months before the wedding. Phone 38334781.

Armagh ACCORD is celebrating their 40th Anniversary. We cordially invite those of the Diocese to our celebratory Mass. This invitation is

particularly open to married couples and those preparing for marriage to join us for Mass being celebrated by Cardinal Brady in St. Malachy's Church, Armagh on Sunday 25th October at 3 p.m.

Pro-Life Prayer Vigil Precious Life Ministries invite you to join them for a Prayer Vigil outside the High Court in Belfast on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th October, when a Judicial Review of abortion guidelines will be heard. We also ask you to unite with us in Three Days of Prayer and Fasting - beginning Monday 26th October - offering up our prayers and sacrifices for the abortion guidelines to be withdrawn and our unborn children protected.

Distribution of Holy Communion: for those who are unable to come to the sanctuary, Holy Communion will be brought to you. Raise your hand or stand as the priest or extra-ordinary Minister of the Eucharist comes near you.

Reflection

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Not to be served, but to serve

What we remember most in anyone's life, is not so much what they achieved,

but the love in which they lived.

Jesus himself is remembered more for his death out of love for all his people than for any great achievements.

He wrote no music or symphony, but shared the song of God's love; he painted no great masterpiece, but showed us we are all God's work of art; wrote no great book, but his words of comfort and love resound through all our joys and sorrows.

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He has shown us what the Son of man is capable of when he lives in the shadows and light of God; and he has shown us what every man and woman can be guided towards.

Sitting at the right and left of Jesus - that's language he doesn't go for.

To live and grow, to suffer and struggle in love of self and others, is the way to glory in the sight of God, and this is the only glory worth our effort.