

8th November 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

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Thirty-Second 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

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament in St. John the Baptist Church today commencing at 4 p.m. and concluding with Benediction at 7p.m.

Remembering Babies who died: prayers will be said at the Garden of Angels after 11.30 a.m. Mass this Sunday.

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 9th November Paddy Gorman.

Ministry of The Word Â

Week beginningÂ 9th November 10 a.m. Michael Sherry. 7 p.m. Mary McAlinden. Â

Feasts: Monday 9th Dedication of Latern Basilica; Tuesday 10th St. Leo the Great; Wednesday 11th St. Martin of Tours; Thursday 12th St. Josaphat; Saturday 14th St. Laurence O'Toole.

Evangelium: Wednesday 11th November at 7.30 p.m. in the Meeting Room, St. John the Baptist Church.Â Next module - 'Scripture and Tradition.' Reading questions 6 to 24 of the Compendium. All are welcome. Â

Pastoral Centre: work began Tuesday, Diocesan feast of St. Malachy. Be patient with the inconvenience caused.

Liturgy Group meeting on Thursday 12th November after evening Mass.

GIFT Programme for all first years who were Confirmed in March continues next Friday 20thÂ November 6.30 p.m.- 8.15 p.m. in St. Mary's Youth Club.

Knights of Columbanus:Â Dinner Dance, Armagh City Hotel, Friday 13th November at 7.30 p.m. Ticket Â£40.Â The evening includes a wine reception followed by meal and entertainment with an address by guest speaker Cardinal Brady.Â Dress is formal.Â Phone B. McCann on 38872255 for tickets and further information.

Fr. Brian Lennon's book "So you can't forgive", price Â£8, is available in the sacristy. Â

Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance:

Wednesday 18th November at 7.30 p.m. in the Medical Education Centre, Craigavon Area Hospital.Â Take time to remember friends and relatives who have died in the hospital.Â There will be an opportunity during the service to create a floral tribute, so you may wish to bring a flower with you in memory of your loved one.Â Refreshments served afterwards.

All Souls Mass: thanks to all who prepared the Church, took part in the liturgy and attended in such a prayerful and respectful manner.

Car key found at St. Patrick's Church

Feasts: Wednesday 14th St. Callistus; Thursday 15th St. Teresa of Avila;Â Friday 16th St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Michael Talbot

Offertory Collection - Sunday 1st

Â£2429-84

Thanks to all who contributed

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Jackie Franklin, Gerald McCoy,Â Sheila Christy, Maurice McCann, Angelina Livingston, Maureen Farrell-Murray

At This Time:Â Felicisima Castelo, Terence McParland, Bro. Serenus, Vera Henderson, Jimmie Walsh, Johnny McAlinden

Sunday 8th: M.M. Kathleen Hagan, Patrick & Peggy Donnelly, Oliver Halfpenny, Sara Devlin, Michael BradyÂ Monday

9th: Philomena McAlinden(1st Anniversary), Jim Donnelly, Joey McCann, Edward Molloy, Rita Litter, Veronica Murray

Tuesday 10th:Â Colette Killops, Letitia O'Neill, Mary Conlon, Gerald Mawhinney, Larry O'Neill Â

Wednesday 11th: Mary Jane McCoy, Willie Walsh, Johnny Gorman, Sarah McGuigan, Barney McNeice, Sheila Donnelly

Thursday 12th:Â Tommy McVeigh, Mary Ann McAlinden, Clodagh Marley, Brigid McEvoy, Catherine McShaneÂ Friday

13th:Â M.M. Alexandrina Gomes, Arthur Austin, James Steele, Elizabeth McCorry

Saturday 14th:Â M.M. Sr. Frances Carley (10am), William McCorry, Annie Halfpenny, James McCann, Joseph Gorman, Mary Eadie, Kevin McCann

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.

If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen.Â Give Gor your total self.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

URGENTLY REQUIRED! - Baby clothes.
NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639.Â 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.Â Spiritual Direction by appointment. For details please call 38332220 or e-mail brigidkavanagh@btinternet.com

Servite Priory - Benburb - Forthcoming events:
Sunday 8th November Remembrance Service.Â Saturday 14th November Loss and Bereavement 2.Â Sunday 15th November Remembering God's Merciful Love.Â Saturday 21st November Let Go / Let God.Â For more information on above contact 028 37548241.

Workshop in Sacred Music - Ballymascanlon House Hotel, Dundalk Monday 16th November, 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.Â Facilitator Mr. Colm Murphy, Head of Music St. Paul's High School, Bessbrook and Director of Sacred Music in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh.Â Resource pack and refreshments available on the evening and a contribution of Â£5 will be requested.

Drumcree College - Christmas Craft / Food Fair on Sunday 29th November 12 noon - 5 p.m.Â Also Car Boot Sale at the same time.Â Craft Stalls Â£15 (indoors).Â Car Â£7 - Van Â£12.Â To book phone 07707287843 or 38334725.Â This years 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.Â For more information contact the school 38334725.

Drumcree Community Centre:Â Help with Arthritis - 6 week course started Monday 19th October 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.Â Phone to book.
Drumcree House of Health - Monday Young People Clinic 6 - 8 p.m.
TuesdayÂ Carer's Support & Women's Night, Thursday Men's Evening.
Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

Tir Na nOg GFC:Â BingoÂ - Tuesday 8.15 p.m.

Bannside Development Centre:Â A Holistic approach to Health - a series of talks started Thursday 15th October, 10 a.m. - 12 noon.
Homework Club Monday and Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m.Â Â£1 per day.
Bannside Scribblers - Mondays 7 - 9 p.m.Â English ClassesÂ Â Thursday 10 a.m. also I.C.T. for beginners.Â For more information contact Carol on 38339916.

St. John's Accordion Band: classes in music on Thursdays 7pm in St. John the Baptist School. Anyone wishing to join contact a committee member at the school on the evening.

Praying with icons - a day of prayer and reflection in SMA, Dromintine 5th December 11am-4pm with Don Gregory Collins OSB. To attend leave name and phone no at decoloughlin@yahoo.co.uk. cost Â£20, lunch provided.

Ulster Project - Information Evening in St. John the Baptist P.S.
Tuesday 10th November, 7.30 p.m.Â All Year 11 & 12 students invited to attend.

Carers Support Group:Â If you look after or support a relative or friend who is sick, has a disability, or is an older person,Â provide care for someone on a regular basis, or look after a child with special needs, there is a Support group meeting the 2nd Tuesday in the month at 7 p.m. in Cherrytrees Resource Centre, Gilford Road, Portadown.Â For further details phone 028 40627581.

Reflection

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We are never too poor to give to God

In the times of our lives
when we feel weak and discouraged,
we feel we have little to give to God -
or to others.

After failing an exam, losing a job,
finding out we are very ill or near to death,
when love has gone wrong
or our children have turned to crime,
we may feel we have little to offer.

He looks on us,
like a mother looks on a child
who is making awkward efforts to help her.
As he praised the poor woman,
for her contribution to the temple.

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Jesus, like God our Father,
sees the intentions of the heart,
and values what we offer.

Like the snow melts into a river
and every small flake is part of the river,
so all we give from the heart
becomes part of the big love of God.

We are never too poor to give to God,
for what God likes
is the gift of the heart.