

# 15th 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

15th November 2009

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times:

St. John the Baptist

SaturdayÂ Â 7 p.m.

SundayÂ Â Â Â 8.30 & 11.30 a.m.

St. Patrick's

SundayÂ Â Â 10 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

St. John the Baptist

Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - SaturdayÂ 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 beÂ 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

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 16th November Mary McAlinden.

Ministry of The Word Â

Week beginningÂ 16th November 10 a.m.

Damian Russell. 7 p.m. Janet O'Neill. Â

St. Alphonsa: her relic and shrine is in St. Patrick's Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation:Â those preparing, along with parents and families, will attend Masses next weekend as part of their preparation.

Feasts: Monday 16th St. Margaret of Scotland, St. Gertrude; Tuesday 17th St. Elizabeth of Hungary; Wednesday 18th Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul;Â Saturday 21st The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Evangelium: Friday 20th NovemberÂ at 7.30 p.m. in the Meeting Room, St. John the Baptist Church.Â Next module - 'Marriage and Holy Orders'.Â Questions 321 - 350 of The Compendium.Â All are welcome. Â

Recent Baptisms:Â Ryan Neil Haughian, Oisín Joseph McConville, Taylor McCann, Ciaran Anthony Reynolds, Rylee Peter Dixon, Paulina Barbara Pobierzyn, Lily Ann O'Neill.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Thursday 19th November after evening Mass.

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

Solemnity of Christ the King: next Sunday, exposition of The Blessed Sacrament all afternoon.

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

"The Cry of the Earth" - a pastoral reflection on climate change from the Irish Bishops available in Churches.

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.

Eucharistic Congress 2012:Â Â congratulations to Martin Barlow who won the competition to design the logo for the Congress.

Christmas Gala Concert in aid of St. Mary's Special School, Drumcar, Co Louth, featuring Fr. Liam Lawton in The Fairways Hotel, Dundalk on Friday 11th December at 8 p.m.

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

Offertory Collection - Sunday 8th

Â£2794.89

Thanks to all who contributed

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Gerald McCoy,Â Sheila Christy, Maurice McCann, Maureen Farrell-Murray, Elizabeth Lennon

At This Time:Â Kevin McCann, Mary Ann Blacker, John Blacker, Tom Blacker, Frank Hamill, Douglas Family, Bella Jane Grimley, Mary Eadie, Eileen Foy, Thomas Henry Brown, Mary Teresa Morgan, George Murray Â

Sunday 15th: M.M. Patrick Byrne, Patrick Breen, Jim Lavery, Andrew McClean, Brigid Dunbar, Margaret GreerÂ Monday 16th: Mary Gorman, Thomas Madden, Robert Donnelly, Geraldine Cullen, Frank Mulholland, Peter McKeever, Cornelius Mulholland, Dec. Members Legion of Mary, Rosina McCaffery

Tuesday 17th: Sarah Jane McCann, Thomas Murphy, Thomas Marley, Jimmy Donnelly Â

Wednesday 18th: Cassie Rafferty(1st Anniversary), Pauline Foy, Lisa Creaney, Danny Madden, Ann Kelly, Mary Ann Berry, Annie McGrath, Frederick McCann, Dymphna Daly, Dec. Members & Benefactors St. Vincent De Paul Society

Thursday 19th:Â Elizabeth Gibson, Peter Gerard Megarity, Mary McQuade, Mona Lamph Â

Friday 20th: Philomena O'Connor(1st Anniversary), John Lawless, John Creaney, Vera Mulally, Christina BlackerÂ

Saturday 21st:Â M.M. Jackie Franklin,Â Sean Davidson(1st Anniversary), William James Murphy, Bridie Connolly, Vincent Murray, Alice Black

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.

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When the end time comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever.Â Dedicate your life to furthering the

reign of God.Â 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.

Servite Priory - Benburb - Forthcoming events: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 Young Parent's Group, Tuesday 24th November, 1st and 8th December, 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Drumcree House of Health:Â Carer's Support Group Tuesday 17th November & 15th December 10 a.m. - 12 noon.Â If you look after someone why not take time out for yourself.Â Women's Drop-in Night Tuesday 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.Â Men's Health Evening Thursday 10th December 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.Â Therapies and Health information.

Young Peoples Health Drop-in Monday 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.Â This confidential service on all aspects of healthÂ Â 16th & 30th November and 24th December.Â (male or female) under 25 yrs.

Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

Tir Na nOg GFC:Â Tir Na nOg V Carrickcruppin, U21 Football Semi Final, Sunday 15th at Keady 2 p.m.

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.

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.

THANKS - Ann and Liz thank everyone who supported their recent Macmillan Coffee Morning.Â Total raised Â£1132-68.

A MINUTE IN EVERY HOUR!Â AN HOUR IN EVERY DAY! Â

A DAY IN EVERY WEEK!

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Reflection

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My words will not pass away

Some things last in life:

like love and compassion,

memory of kindnesses, big and small,

influence of parents on children,

moments of love, friendship and

compassion,

remembered and relived even when  
people have passed on.

And the word of God lasts,  
even though the heavens and earth  
the weather and the winds,  
the crops and the plants,  
change each day and season.

The pictures Jesus uses are frightening:  
stars falling and the moon darkening,  
the sun going cold and dark.

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We fear the upheaval of the earth,  
like turbulence on a plane flight,  
like thunder and lightening,  
like an earthquake moving our  
furniture.

We presume the earth will last  
forever,  
and Jesus is saying that  
his word is more lasting than the universe.

And we fear the signs he mentions:  
but these are not to be frightening signs,  
just signs that God is near.

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Everything we see and experience,  
turbulent and calm, joyful and sad,  
can be to the eye of faith,  
a sign of the nearness of God.