22nd 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. www.drumcreeparish.com

St. John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road, (1777) - 1977 St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

22nd November 2009 Solemnity of Christ the King

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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

Solemnity of Christ the King:Â Eucharistic

Adoration this afternoon in St. John the Baptist Church. Families and individuals are encouraged to come and pray in thanksgiving, in petition, in adoration. The following guidelines may help in deciding your time: if your address begins with E to O

suggested time 1 - 2 p.m., P to S 2 - 3 p.m., T to Z 3 - 4 p.m., A or B 4 - 5 p.m., C or D 5 - 6 p.m. Devotions at 6 p.m. led by St. Josephs Young Priest Society.

Ministers of the Eucharist St. John the Baptist, week beginning 23rd November Maura Berry. Ministry of The Word Â Week beginning 23rd November 10 a.m. Belle Oliver. 7 p.m. Margaret Marley. Â

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

Feasts:Monday 23rd St. Columban; Tuesday 24th Ss Andrew Dung-Lac & Companion Martyrs, St. Colman; Wednesday 25th St. Catherine of Alexandria; Friday 27th St. Fergal;

Evangelium: Friday 27th November at 7.30 p.m. in the Meeting Room, St. John the Baptist Church. Next module - Christian Life in The World'. Questions 401-414 and 428-433 of The Compendium. All welcome. Â

Recent Baptisms: Â Ris Kathleen Murphy, Jay Andrew Reid, Dylan Anthony Cole

GIFT Programme for all first years who were Confirmed in March continues Friday 27th November 6.30 p.m.- 8.15 p.m. in St. Mary's Youth Club.

Meeting for all PALS volunteers, Thursday 25th November at 7.30 p.m. in St. John's Meeting Room.(Please bring scissors).

Joy to the World - a musical celebration of classical and popular Christmas favourites will take place in St. Patrick's Church, Dundalk on Saturday 5th December. Ticket 20 Euro - contact 00353 42 9392919.

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.

Walk with Me - a journey of prayer for Advent and Christmastime available in Churches at £1.

Global Gift - Trocaire:Â Change someones world this Christmas - available in Church porch.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Mrs Bella Halfpenny celebrates 100 yrs. next Saturday. Â 1909 - 28th November - 2009. She and her family and friends will gather for a Mass of Thanksgiving next Saturday in St. John the Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Many happy returns, Bella!!

Youth 2000 Retreat in Newbridge, Co Kildare 18th-20th December for young people aged 18-35years. An opportunity to experience the Catholic faith and meet new friends. Tel: 07521708876. Â

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

A Offertory Collection - Sunday 15th £2561-03 Thanks to all who contributed

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Maureen Farrell-Murray, Elizabeth Lennon, Ignatius Fox, Teresa White, Lily Gribbon

At This Time:Â Anthony McGurgan, James McGurk, William Wright, Patrick & Margaret Lavery, Annie Reynolds, Francis Kelly, Joseph Fearon Â

Sunday 22nd: Annie Hamill, Dan Reid, Harry McQuaid, Joseph Kearns, Elizabeth McQuillan, Dan Murphy, Hugh Corr, Lily Gorman, John Bennett Â

Monday 23rd: M.M. Gerald McCoy, Lil Black(1st Anniversary), Sarah McKeown, Joe Creaney, Thomas Campbell, Betty White

Tuesday 24th: Dolores Greer, Joseph McCann, Brid McCormac, Dec. Members Armagh Diocesan Clerical Benefit Society Â

Wednesday 25th: Kevin McDermott, Elizabeth Duffy, James Hughes, Mary Donnelly, Brigid Kelly, Elizabeth O'Hagan, Isabella O'Hagan, Vera Robinson, James Hagan, Dec. Members & Benefactors St. Joseph Young Priest Society Thursday 26th:Â Hugh Lappin Â

Friday 27th: Rose McParland, John Morgan, Joseph Livingstone, Brigid Kelly, James Reynolds Â Saturday 28th: Kevin Hueston, James McCann, John Griffin, Ann Russell

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.

Jesus claims, "Anyone committed to the truth hears my voice". Commit yourself to truth and heed the voice of God. 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 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.

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 £15 (indoors). Car £7 - Van £12. To book phone 07707287843 or 38334725. 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. 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: Carer's Support Group Tuesday 17th November & 15th December 10 a.m. - 12 noon. If you look after someone why not take time out for yourself. Women's Drop-in Night Tuesday 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. Men's Health Evening Thursday 10th December 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. Therapies and Health information.

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

Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

St. John the Baptist P.T.A. present a floral demonstration, with Fr. Sean McEvoy, Thursday 10th December. Ticket £5, includes supper. Available from the school.

Bannside Development Centre: A Holistic approach to Health - a series of talks Thursday 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.

Explore the meaning of life through the ALPHA course. Â Contact Martin Barlow 07765405902.

Ashgrove Seniors Club: Christmas Dinner & Dance, Friday 4th December at 8 p.m. Ticket £4.

Drumcree College: Classroom Assistants required. Temporary positions which may be extended. Qualified assistants preferred, must be able to work in a supportive role with secondary age students. Contact Mrs McCabe, 38334725, by Friday 27th November for application form.

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.

Tir Na nOg GFC: U8/U10 Prizegiving Night, Monday 23rd November at 7 p.m. Special guests in attendance. All players and families requested to attend. U10 Training in Drumcree College Tuesdays 6.30 p.m. Bingo - Tuesday 8.15 p.m.

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 £20, lunch provided.

Monastic Weekend - (Carmelite Life?) - Single women between 22 - 40 yrs are invited to experience the Carmelite Life, weekend of December 4th - 6th. Further information available. Contact Sr. Teresa 00353 58 56205.

Music and Reflections for World Aids Day, Friday 27th November 7.30 p.m., Armagh Road Presbyterian Church. Music from Renaissance Singers. Light refreshments provided. Retiring collection for Christian Aid.

Cumann Gaelach - Irish Class every Thursday in Ashgrove Community Centre, 8 p.m. - 9 p.m. Aifreann Gaelige - Mass for deceased members of Condradh Na Gaeilge in the Convent Chapel, Edward Street, Lurgan on Tuesday 24th November at 7.30 p.m.

A MINUTE IN EVERY HOUR! AN HOUR IN EVERY DAY! Â A DAY IN EVERY WEEK! Â Reflection Â Mine is not a kingdom of this world Many voices direct our lives: voices which direct to wealth and comfort. or to relationships which do not last, voices for peace and for justice, and the voices we tune into in prayer. Voices speaking of violence and power and others of compassion and forgiveness; voices which call us back to another era when things now seem better than they were then. And the voice of Jesus. The voice which appeals for peace and justice Â in a world often proposing violence and greed; the voice which is strong for forgiveness when our own hearts are bitter; the voice which speaks the truth that is fully human and is the word of God. His Kingdom is not of this world, but is part of this world; like the branch is part of the tree. And when we speak of justice, peace, forgiveness and love,

we speak of his Kingdom; and when we live from his truth,

we are not far from the Kingdom of God.