3rd January 2010

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

3rd January 2010 Second Sunday after Christmas

His Eminence Cahal Brendan Daly DD Rest in peace 1st October 1917 - 31st December 2009 Archbishop of Armagh 1990 - 1996 Created Cardinal 1991

The Cardinal's remains will come home to the Diocese arriving at 5.30pm in St. Patrick's Cathedral this Sunday afternoon, probably passing through our Parish. He will lie in state this evening and all day Monday. Monday Prayers at 6pm. Funeral Mass Tuesday 12noon.

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 Come Back to Mass weekend 9th/10th January

Churches were full over Christmas and New Year - a very

positive statement of faith and wanting to belong. For some it may have been their annual visit to Church or experience of

being part of the Parish Community - if that is you or a member of your family or circle of friends, we want to encourage you to come again next weekend or invite such a person to come to Mass with you. It may be the start of a good habit or doing something spiritual that you've been putting off for a while. Come and see.

ALPHA

OVER 3 MILLION PEOPLE IN IRELAND AND THE UK HAVE FOUND THE COURSE TO BE A WORTHWHILE EXPERIENCE

Those organising this course will be available after Mass this weekend for you to speak to.

New Year Resolution - make a note of it on your mobile phone calendar every Thursday to remind you - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thursdays in St. John the Baptist Church beginning at 6 p.m.

Recent Baptisms: Jennifer Christian da Noguira; Brigita Jackute; Gabriel Rodrigues

John Paul II Awards: Â anyone doing this through their school should contact Fr. White.

Devotions in St. Patrick's Church at 7pm

The Solemnity of the Epiphany - 6th January. Masses: St. John the Baptist Church Tuesday 7pm Wednesday 8.30am, 11.30am, 7pm. St. Patrick's Church Wednesday 10am.

Ministers of the Eucharist - January 7pm - Maura Berry, Aine McCooe, Sharon Garland, Kathleen Lavery. 8.30am - Martin Barlow, Patsy Hanratty, Eddie McVeigh. 10am - Winnie Breen, Ann Marie Hamill, Madeline O'Neill. 11.30am - Bernie Mallon, Patricia Halfpenny, Teresa Murphy, Mary Taggart. St. Francis - Ann Murphy St. John the Baptist, week beginning 5th January Mary McAlinden

Ministry of The Word - January 7pm - Olivia McDonald. 8.30am - David Greer. 10am - Niamh Devlin, Aine McCreesh-West. 11.30am - Ciara Burnett. Week beginning 4th January 10amTommy Mallon 7pm Michael Dennison.

Sacrament of Marriage: congratulations to Sinead Rafferty and Stephen Hughes; Anna Cullen and Daryl Guy;Â Anna Kurek and Paulo Rodrigues; Roisin McCann and Daniel McCullagh; Louise McConaghy and Raymond Tiffney who were married recently.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 20th - £2634-35 Sunday 27th - £2549.26

Requiescant In Pace Lately deceased:Â Peter McGrane, Sean Slater, Mary McNally, Isobel McCann, Josephine Hannaway, Cardinal Cahal Daly At This Time:Â Henry Mulholland, Maggie O'Neill Sunday 3rd:Â Catherine Watkins, Mona Kelly, Peter Daly Monday 4th:Â 1st Anniversary John (Jack) Hagan, Frances Keegan, Joseph McParland, Philomena Murphy, Damian Goodwin, Eddie McNally, Una Hewitt McQuade, Frank Ruddy

Tuesdav 5th: 1st Anniversarv James Cullen, Paddy Joe McKeever, Charlie Farrell Â

Wednesday 6th: Nora Rooney, Margaret Donnelly, Eugene McParland, Liam Corbally, Kathleen McCormac, John Creaney, Thomas McQuade, James McCullough

Thursday 7th: MM Veronica Furphy, Patsy Foy, Isobella Cullen, Dr. Gerrard McAnallen Â

Friday 8th: MM John Reid, Mary Thompson, Peter Donnelly, Julia Hagan, James Creaney, William John Crawley Â Saturday 9th: MM Sr Paula McDermott, Peter Fay, Elaine Hamill, Molly Smith, Mary Ann Fearon, Bridget Rogers

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.

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! - CURTAINS**

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

Feasts: Tuesday 5th St. Charles of St. Andrew (Mount Argus, Dublin); Wednesday 6th The Epiphany; Thursday 7th St. Raymond of Penyafort.

Church Time Burglaries: Â some basic advice - lock all exterior doors and windows; Â Â secure all sheds and garages; make your home look occupied even when you're not at home (use timer switches on lamps / radios). Leaflets in Church.Â Stay safe - stay secure.

Drumcree College - 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 8th December, 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Drumcree House of Health: Women's Drop-in Night Tuesday 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. Â Young Peoples Health Drop-in Monday 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. This confidential service on all aspects of health (male or female) under 25 yrs. Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

Bannside Development Centre: Â

Diet/Allergy testing and Detox plan for a healthier you on 12th and 19th January evenings 7 - 9pm followed by a retest on Tuesday 23rd February at same time. Everyone welcome. Homework Club starting back Monday 11th January. £1 per day. I.C.T. a 16week course for beginners starting mid-January. Â English Classes Thursday morning 10am Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. 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.

Tir Na nOg GFC: U10 Training in Drumcree College Tuesdays 6.30 p.m. Bingo - Tuesday 8.15 p.m.

Naiscoil Na Banna: A.G.M. Sunday 17th January, 3 p.m. in the Naiscoil.

Cumann Gaelach - Irish Class every Thursday in Ashgrove Community Centre, 8 p.m. - 9 p.m. oFeasts:

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

Reflection Â The Way, the Truth and the Life. Who is this child? The Light who guides our way, The Word who is our truth, The One in whom all have life.

Jesus is the way that guides our steps, a hand that holds us on life's journey, a direction for our desires and hopes, an invitation to be involved with others, for he himself has walked the way of friendship;

encouragement in times of trouble, for he has walked the way of pain; a signpost through life and into eternity, for he walked the way of resurrection.

Jesus is the truth that enlightens our minds, speaking the word of God in times of confusion and trouble, opening the mind to truth when many options are presented, giving the gift of meaning to life when loss and anxiety may take over, for he himself lived in the light of God.

And the Lord Jesus is our life, in his words and gestures of love, in his call to love and service, sharing the bread of life in the Eucharist of nourishment; sharing the life of forgiveness in times of guilt and sin and failings.

Who is this child? The Word who is our truth, the Light who guides our way, the Life who promises love forever.