

14th February 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.

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St. John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road, (1777) - 1977

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

14th February 2010

Sixth 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

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament in St. John the Baptist Church today.

Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day - World Day of the Sick - Sacrament of AnointingÂ at 7 p.m. this evening (and Blessing of Carers) in St. John the Baptist Church.Â All welcome.

Lent approaches - now is the time to be thinking what to do for the Holy Season.

Ash Wednesday 17th February - Day of Fast and Abstinence.Â Distribution of Ashes

at Masses: St. John the Baptist, 8.30 a.m.,
11.30 a.m. & 7 p.m. St. Patrick's 10 a.m.
(Trocaire Boxes available in both Churches).

Fast and Abstinence: Are you a Catholic and aged between 18 yrs and 60 yrs? If yes, then you are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday - which means that the amount of food we eat is considerably reduced. All Catholics aged over 14 yrs are bound to abstinence - giving up a particular kind of food or drink or form of amusement.

Minister of the Eucharist
St. John the Baptist, week beginning 15th February Paddy Gorman, Mary
McAlinden. (two during Lent)

Ministry of The Word
Week beginning 15th February 10 a.m.
Denis McCourt. 7 p.m. David Greer.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Thursday 18th February after evening Mass.

Temperance Sunday - 14th February: The Pioneer Total Abstinence Association has organised two Masses to mark this Day of Prayer: Church of St. John the Baptist, Moy at 3 p.m. and St. Patrick's Church, Dundalk at 3 p.m. All welcome.

The Permanent Diaconate: The Archdiocese of Armagh is now accepting applications for its discernment year for the permanent diaconate beginning in October 2010. The Year of Discernment consists of six weekends from October to June, then candidates may formally apply for acceptance to the three year formation programme leading to ordination. Applicants should be aged 35 - 60. Applications must be received no later than 31st May 2010. Contact one of the priests for details of how to apply, or alternatively contact Fr. John Gates, Diocesan Director, 028 79632439 or email jgatesbrack@btconnect.com

ALPHA - The course continues on Wednesday

Servite Priory, Benburb: Day of loss and bereavement Saturday 20th february 10am-5pm Phone 37548241 to reserve a place. Offering £25.

Precious Life: 40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign parishes across N. Ireland are encouraged to unite with parishes in the USA, Canada and Australia for a 40 day campaign to end abortion. For more information please contact 028 90278484 or info@preciouslife.com

Knights of St. Columbanus - next meeting Tuesday 16th February, 8 p.m. in St. Patrick's Rooms.

Recent Baptisms: Tess Orla Murphy,
Emma Catherine Creaney

Offertory Collection
Sunday 7th - £2890-07
Thanks to all who contributed
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"Walk with me" - Lenten journey prayer book now available in Churches.

Requiescant In Pace
Lately deceased: Jesuina Abelita Sarmento Guterres, Briege McKeown, Elizabeth Freeburn,
Sr. Carmel Mulligan
At This Time: Pat McGuigan, Cassie Falloon, Pat Hamill, Patrick McGrath, Orlando & Odilia Victor, Ana Paula Guterres,
Alda Guterres, Isabel Ataide, John Walsh
Sunday 14th: M.M. Sr. Mary Hendron, Caroline Byrne, William Shanks, Aidan Donellan, Sarah Breen, John Cullen, Pat Travers, Matthew Kavanagh, Annie O'Neill, Peter Corrigan
Monday 15th: Lydia Murphy, James May, Laurence Cullen, Thomas Oliver, Elizabeth Walsh, Joseph McParland
Tuesday 16th: Kathleen Robinson, Aidan Donnelly, Maureen McConville, Nellie Halfpenny, Doreen Devlin, Aloysius Tennyson, Agnes McCullaugh
Wednesday 17th: Cathy Connolly, Kathleen Lynn, George Healy, Mary Jane Campbell, Agnes McQuade
Thursday 18th: Lily Grimley, Johnny McGurgan, Brigid Murray, Fr. Desmond Cush, Tony Metcalfe, Theresa O'Dwyer
Friday 19th: Rosaleen Magee, Annie McConnell

Saturday 20th: Jim McKeever, Una McQuaid, Sarah Anne Bunting, Sheila Gorman

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

URGENTLY REQUIRED - Baby Clothes and Small Girls Clothes.

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

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

SENIORS' TEA DANCE - Thursday 18th February,

in Tir Na nOg Club. 8 p.m. sharp. Â

Ticket Â£2, available from shop.

A Time For Lay People - Irish College, Rome 18th-24th July, renewal course 'Rediscovering the meaning of our Baptism.' Cost 870 Euro. Contact College at 00 3906 772631

or ufficio@irishcollege

Drumcree Community Centre: Young Parent's Group, - if you are a parent under 25yrs come along with your child. 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. 9th and 23rd February; 9th and 23rd March.

Sparkles - group for parents, grandparents, minders or anyone who looks after a child 0-4yrs - every Wednesday 1030am-12.30pm

Feileacan - parent and child group Fridays 2pm-3.30pm

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. Â 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: Homework Club Â £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. Malachy's Hurling Club - U14 Registration Night, Tuesday 23rd February, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. in Ashgrove Community Centre. Â All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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

St. Mary's Youth Centre - Girls Football Coaching every Monday evening 7.15 - 8.15 p.m. Â Ages 10 - 14 yrs. Â Cost Â£1. Â Begins Monday 22nd February. Â For more information phone Centre 38337524.

Holy Land 2010 - 6th - 15th September, direct from Belfast International, Â£989 pps, 10 days. Â Includes half board, taxes, tours, spiritual director etc. Â Fatima 2010 - 27th May + 22nd July, Â£599 pps. 7 days, includes full board en suite, taxes, tours, spiritual director etc. Â For more information call Rita O'Neill on 02890623186.

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

Arthritis Care - Challenging Pain Course in Portadown Library Monday 15th and 22nd February, 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Â If interested contact 028 9078 2940 as places are limited.

Workshop in Sacred Music - The Synod Hall, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on Wednesday 24th February, 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Â Resource pack and refreshments available. Â Those who attend will be asked to contribute Â£5 or 6 Euros towards the costs of the evening.

If you have moved house within the Parish in the past 12 months, or recently moved to the Parish. please complete and return the slip below. Â Place in collection basket or leave at either Parochial House.

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Name.....

Address.....

Old Address/Parish

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Reflection

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Blessed are we

Blessed are people who have lost a lot -
isn't this what Jesus is saying?

People who have lost money and are poor,
who have lost love and who weep,
who have lost food and are hungry.

And we can think of people who have lost a lot,
who are refugees or out of work,
who are lonely or without friends,
and wonder what sort of happiness is this?

We can only ask if there have been times
when life seemed very empty
and yet there was peace.

When children leave home,
either because they want to or have to;
when husband or wife dies,
when marriage breaks up,
when family relationships go sour,
the soul and heart are opened,
and the love and care of God may enter.
Or in the middle of the pain and the disappointments,
we know that some other energy is around,
that gives another peace,
not in place of what we missed,
but alongside it.

And we begin to know
that there are many happinesses,
some can last, like love and convictions,
some can last just a while, like youth and health,
some last forever, like faith, hope and love,
and one blessing nobody can take from us

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is the relationship we have with God in Jesus,
for in all of life's experiences
is a space for the blessing of God.

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A MINUTE IN EVERY HOUR! Â

AN HOUR IN EVERY DAY! Â

A DAY IN EVERY WEEK!

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10 MINUTES OF PEACE AT 10 AM

ON 10TH DAY OF 10TH MONTH

20TEN.