

17th October 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

17th October 2010

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 & 2nd Sunday - October - June

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

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

A thank you from Fr. Brian

It is with a humbled heart that I write my sincerest thanks to Fr O'Dwyer, and to you, the Parishioners of Drumcree Parish.

Your generosity and expressions of appreciation since the news of my being changed to the Parish of Haggardstown and Blackrock, and since, have truly overwhelmed me.

It was so nice to be back last week and to see all the familiar faces. I thank all the groups that made presentations to me and to the Parish as a whole for its generosity and kindness.

So many of you sent card and best wishes as I was leaving and I thank you sincerely for your kindness and compassion at the

difficult time of transition. If I did not see you to thank you

personally I am sorry but please be assured that all of you will be in my thoughts and prayers. This week I go to the Holy Land on pilgrimage and my first Mass on that holy soil will be offered up for the Parish and People of Drumcree. As I said before, my departure was not a goodbye but a 'fare well' and it is with sincerity that I say if you are passing this way please do call in to say hello,

With thanks and true appreciation,

Fr Brian White.

Eucharistic Congress: A series of meetings to begin our preparations for the 2012 International Eucharistic Congress will take place in various locations around the diocese in the latter part of October.

All are welcome to attend these information sessions, which will help to deepen our appreciation of Eucharist. Dates and venues for your area are as follows:- Kelly's Inn, Ballygawley - Thursday 21st October, 7.30 p.m. The Synod Hall, Armagh - Wednesday 27th October, 7.30 p.m. Cross Square Hotel, Crossmaglen - Thursday 28th October, 8 p.m. Convent of Mercy, Dungannon - Thursday 21st October, 8 p.m. Armagh Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Dundalk - Tuesday 26th October 8 p.m. Carrickdale Hotel, Dundalk - Tuesday 26th October, 8 p.m. St. John the Baptist Church, Drumcree - Thursday 28th October 7.30 p.m. St. Peter's Parish Centre, The Barbican, Drogheda - Thursday 28th October, 8 p.m.

Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 18th Paddy Gorman.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 18th - 10 a.m. Peggy McKeever. 7 p.m. Aidan McCormac.

Australia's new saint - Mother Mary MacKillop (1842-1909) will be canonised today in Rome by Pope Benedict. She was born in Melbourne to Scottish parents. She worked to educate poor children, looked after the sick and the under privileged and the elderly. She founded a religious order, Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart who continue to work as she did. Her story is worth reading and can be viewed on the internet. Her feast day is 8th August.

Feasts: Monday 18th St. Luke; Tuesday 19th Ss John Brebeuf, Isaac Jagues & Companions; Saturday 23rd St. John of Capistrano.

Parish Pastoral Council - meeting on Thursday 21st October after evening Mass.

Recent Baptisms: Maisie Chalita Hagan, Hannah Louise Murphy, Annie Margaret Rafferty, Cormac John Reynolds, Cadhan Niall Litter

SHYNE: new members (4th year plus) very welcome at St Mary's Youth Club on Sunday 17th Oct 7.30p.m. - 9.30p.m.

Developing World Project - Romania Home Build -

October donation envelopes available in Churches to help finance the building of a home in Romania.

Guest Tea in Ashgrove Centre on Friday 22nd

October at 8.30 p.m. Music by Eddie Wilson. If

interested in having a table please contact Bronagh McVeigh 38351678.

PALS - over 18's interested in volunteering at either 10 a.m. or 11.30 a.m. Masses, please contact Ursula on 07889424614 after 6 p.m.

BE AWARE! The darker evenings have led to a rise in handbag snatching in the area - be careful.

Commemoration of The Faithful Departed:

Mass for the deceased Tuesday 2nd November at 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. List of the Dead sheets for completion are now available in the Churches - to be returned by Sunday 31st October.

A reminder: the deadline for applications for anyone wishing to go to WYD 2011 in Madrid is Friday 22nd October..... Full details and application form can be found on the website ---www.armagharchdiocese.org.

Knights of St Columbanus - meeting Tuesday 19th October at 8pm.

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

Fr. O'Dwyer thanks all who contributed to the October Dues

Anything done in the cause of justice
and in the name of Jesus Christ
will bear fruit in plenty.

Our world suffers much injustice
and our heart pains
when we hear of homeless children,
when we see lines of refugees on our screens,
when we pass someone destitute looking for money,
and our heart pains with something of the pain of Jesus.

We wonder what one person can do?

The call of Jesus spurs us on:
to know that what we do is
one person's effort to
make a more just society,
feed some people who need our help,
educate more widely and care for the sick,
and look after the chosen ones of God.

The path towards justice is
blocked with obstacles of
greed, self-interest, lack of care
and we want to plant that path
with generosity, compassion and care.

For the Lord looks on us
and at the needs of his people
and wants there to be faith on earth.

If our faith is without care for the needy
it is a watered-down faith and is
incomplete.

In the strengthening of our desires and work
for the justice of Jesus
our faith in Jesus grows and is
Â strengthened.

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

THE JOY RULE
THINK OF JESUS
THINK OF OTHERS
THINK OF YOURSELF