20th March 2011

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

20th March 2011 Second Sunday of Lent

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 Monday 10am Tuesday - Friday 7p.m. St. Patrick's Tuesday - 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 Fr. Burns 38332218 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Minister of the Eucharist Â St. John the Baptist, week beginning 21st Mary McAlinden, Maura Berry.

Ministry of The Word Week beginning 21st - 10 a.m. Peggy McKeever. 7 p.m. Olivia McDonald.

SHYNE (Parish Gift) Programme for those preparing for Confirmation continues next Friday in St Mary's Youth Club 6.30pm-8.15pm. All Confirmandi should attend.

What are doing for Lent? Scripture, My Life's Guide - a 5 week programme studying Sunday Gospel and its practical relevance to our lives will be held during Lent, continues Wednesday 23rd March at 7.45pm in the Pastoral Centre. Why

not try this as Lenten prayer?

Recent Baptisms:Â Helena Santos, Ethan Hardy, James Peter Kerr

ALPHA: David and Miriam's group will continue their `Lenten Journey of Reflection' on Wednesday next, after evening Mass, in the Pastoral Centre.

Feasts:Â Monday 21st St. Enda; Wednesday 23rd St. Turibius; Thursday 24th St. Macartan; Friday 25th The Annunciation of The Lord.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Thursday in the Pastoral Centre after evening Mass.

First Communion/First Penance: chuildren preparing for these Sacraments and their parents and families will attend Mass next weekend: Ballyoran CPS Saturday 7pm; Presentation PS Sunday 10am; St John the Baptist PS Sunday 11.30am.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Ceremony of Light next Sunday at 7pm in St John the Baptist Church for all being Confirmed. bring your Baptismal Candle.

First Award Ceremony for the Pope John Paul II Award and Muiredach Cross Award to young people takes place next Friday 25th March at 7.30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh - a celebration of young people's involvement in the Church - including some from our Parish. All welcome.

Swine Flu Protocols: the cardinal has asked that these be relaxed. Thank you to all who complied with the regulations.

The Irish Catholic Newspaper is running a special feature on the Church in County Armagh in the paper over the next 2 weeks starting from weekend Saturday 26th March. This will be an excellent opportunity to read the paper especially if you have never read it before. The paper costs £1 and is available to buy each week at the back of the church and is also available to buy each week from Winnies Shop, Woodhouse Street.

Parish envelopes for 2001/2012 are available for collection in Churches. Thanks to all who contribute to the upkeep of the Parish in this way. and to those who sign up for tax gift aid.

Variety Concert organised by Developing World Committee has been postponed to a later date. Sorry for any inconvenience caused for now.

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Offertory Collection Sunday 13th £2561.07 Thanks to all who contributed Walk with Me - a Lenten journey of praver - books £1. available in Churches - £1. Â Requiescant in Pace Lately Deceased: Â Anne Williams, Vera Teague, Joseph McConville, Maura Kelly, Sheila McCann, Liam McCuskey, Mary McDonald, Margaret Grant At This Time: Julia Bennett, Stephen McGurk, Jimmy Sloan, Maria Hall, James Bunting, Christopher & Rose Mangan, Harry Murray Sunday 20th: Annie Donnelly(1st Anniversary), Thomas Michael Kelly, John Molloy, Michael Kelly, Kelly Family, Ligia De Jesus, Miranda De Jesus, Angelina Fizeitas, Carlos, Gama, Luisa Pereira Â Monday 21st:Â Annette Holland(1st Anniversary), Mary Vallely, Vanessa Crummie, Frank McLoughlin Tuesday 22nd:Â Sarah Kelly, Elizabeth Creaney, Kitty Daly, Gerard Toland Wednesday 23rd:Â Jack Grimley, Nano McKeown, Peter Kelly, Rosalie Taggart, Felix Dalzell, Mary McKeever Â Thursday 24th:Â M.M. Maura Loftus, Harry Breen, Bridget Reynolds, Sue McNally, Dan O'Neill, Michael Smith, James Creaney, Owen Brankin Friday 25th:Â M.M. Philomena Mackle, Nancy Heyburn, Pat Shevlin, Annie Mulholland, Kathleen Thornbury, Brigid Brown, Kathleen Brown, Georgina Creaney, Mary McLaughlin Â Saturday 26th: Â Ralph McNally, Jim McClean, James Marley, Patrick Bunting Anniversaries late for Bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on proper day Â

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

Servite Priory Benburb: Sunday 27th March An afternoon for Lectors. Sunday 10th April An afternoon for Eucharistic Ministers. For more information and reserve place phone the Priory 37548241.

Bannside Development Centre: Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Â£1 per day. Arts and Crafts classes from 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. WEA Computer Classes - Monday 7 - 9 p.m. WEA Language Classes - Tuesday 7 - 8.30 p.m. Free Gentle exercise classes - Wednesday 7 - 8 p.m. Workshop/Craft shop now open Tuesday to Saturday. Friends Cafe - open every day. For more information contact Carol 38339916.

St. John's Accordion Orchestra: classes in music on Thursday 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist P.School. Anyone wishing to join please contact a committee member at the school on the evening.

St. John the Baptist P.S. - Friends of St. Johns present A Floral Evening with Fr. Sean McEvoy, Thursday 24th March, 7.30 p.m. Ticket £5 includes light supper, available from school or pay at the door.

First Communion dresses and suits for sale at St John the Baptist Primary School. Outfits can be viewed on school website (some never worn). Phone 38336211 for an appointment to view.

Marriage Encounter - next weekend 25 - 27th March - Dromantine Conference Centre. Tel. 90626503 or www.marriageencounter.ie

Marriage Preparation - Engaged Encounter - next weekend 26-27th March - Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry. Tel 02879 300340

Lent for Life Campaign - Precious Life invite you to unite with them in faith for a Lenten Campaign to end abortion. The mission of `Lent for Life' iw to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused campaign of prayer and fasting, and community outreach. For more information please contact 90278484.

St. Malachy's Hurling Club:Â - Sponsored Walk Saturday 26th March at 11am from Tir na nOg to Money Pennies. All attending please be there at 10.45am.

St Mary's Boxing Club: enrolement and training every Thursday; 8-12years 7-8pm; 13-17years 8-9pm.

Oran Fold - Sheltered accommodation has apartments to let. To view phone Michelle on 38391918.

An Cumann Gaelach -Â Irish language classes Monday 6.15-7.30pm in Mayfair Business centre; Thursday 8.00-9.00pm Ashgrove Community Centre.

Anam Cara are facilitating a bereavement talk for bereaved parents, on 24 March, at The Armagh City Hotel, 7.30-9.30pm This event is open to all bereaved parents and bereavement support professionals. The guest Speaker for the evening is Nuala Harmey, a bereavement consultant

If you would like to contribue to the upkeep of the Parish using envelopes please complete and return the slip below. Place in collection basket or leave at either Parochial House.

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Address.....

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Reflection Â And they saw his glory

They saw his glory and were surprised. We see his glory all around us and often do not notice it, and when we do notice it, we are surprised.

Christ in the surprise of a January flower, Christ in the discovery of a new love, Christ in the offering and welcoming of reconciliation, Christ in the tireless efforts of men and women of peace.

In the schoolroom in a city slum where a teacher for a low salary transorms the lives of the poor who are God's favourites.

And they saw his glory in the efforts to free those imprisoned unjustly by regimes which feed their own greed, in the hours of listening in a marriage, in the time spent watching in love over a sick child, in caring for the sick, the lonely, the old, in all those times we go out of our own cares, big or small, to enter the cares of others.

And they saw his glory: and in such moments we too see his glory. Â PARISH -BE A PART OF IT OR BE APART FROM IT

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

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