

25th September 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.

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street 1835

25th September 2011

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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:

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. Sheehan 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Ministers of the Eucharist - October

Vigil Mary McAlinden, Ruairi O'Hanlon, Thomas McCooe, Maura Berry. 8.30 a.m. Margaret Marley, Catherine McCooe, Geraldine Lawless. 10 a.m. Kathleen

Hagan, Seamus McCaffrey, Nicola Fay. 11.30 a.m. Roisin Kelly, Pauline

Chambers, Gerry Barlow, Ann Murphy.

St. Francis Eithne McAtarsney.

Rosemount Gerry Barlow.

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 26th Maura Berry.

Ministry of The Word - October

Vigil Ann Turley.Â 8.30 a.m. Kevin
McConville.Â 10 a.m. Marcelle McAtarsney, Sarah Lawless. 11.30 a.m. Cathal Mercer.
Week beginning 26th - 10 a.m. Patricia Doran.Â Â 7 p.m. Michael Dennison.

Recent Baptisms:Â Sophie Alana Preshur, Jonah Lee Roper, Ollie John Byrne, Kurt Marcus Gomba, Milario Antonio Amaral

Sacrament of Marriage:Â congratulations to Natasha McAlinden and Paul Campbell who were married recently.

Feasts:Â Monday 26th Ss. Cosmas & Damian; Tuesday 27th St. Vincent De Paul; Wednesday 28th St. Wenceslaus, Ss Lawrence Ruiz & Companions;
Thursday 29th Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael; Friday 23rd St. Jerome.

St. Joseph's Young Priest Society:
next meeting on Wednesday 28th September, 7.30 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre.

Day for Life - Sunday 2nd October - the theme is 'A call to solidarity and hope in difficult times' -Â this year reflects on what it means to lead a full and happy life.

St. John's Scouts:Â official opening of new Den on Saturday 1st October at 2 p.m., preceded by parade and Mass at St. John the Baptist Church at 1 p.m.Â All welcome.

Christian Meditation: (John Hain)Â Monday 26th September 8 p.m. - 9 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre.

Appreciating Portadown's Ecclesiastical Heritage - Thursday 29th September walking tour of Armagh Road Presbyterian, St Marks, Thomas Street Methodist, Quaker Meeting House, St Patrick's beginning at 3pm. Manus Deery will give a talk at 6.30pm in St Vincent's Meeting Room. All welcome.

St. Vincent De Paul Society:Â next Conference meeting on 29th September, at the later time of 8 p.m.

SHYNE - resumes this Sunday evening, 25th, 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre.Â New members welcome - 4th year plus.

PALS: meeting for all present and new volunteers on Wednesday 5th October, 7.30 p.m. in Pastoral Centre.

Donations towards the cost of the new trees at the cemetery are welcome.

Sacramental Dates 2012:Â Confirmation Sunday 4th March 2012 at 3 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church;
As Gaeilge Saturday 31st March, 2012,Â 3 p.m. in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh.
First Holy Communion:Â St. John the Baptist P.S. and Bunscoil Saturday 12th May.Â Ballyoran C.P.S. Saturday 19th May, Presentation P.S. Saturday 26th May.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 18th - Â£2402-00

Thanks to all who contributed

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Pastoral Centre: Cafe Bethany open after

10 a.m. Mass on Mondays

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Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased:Â Bobby Wilson,Â Juozas Svartinas, Caroline O'Growney, Vincent Thomas Willis, Brenda Coleman

At This Time: James Mallon, Martin Smyth

Sunday 25th:Â Theresa McKeown(1st Anniversary), Mona McKeown, John Connolly, Gerald McIlkenny, James McCann, Joseph Desmond Caldwell, Margaret McGrane, Patrick Stuart, Bernadette McEvoy, Hugh & Barney Murphy, Margaret Thomas, Edith Woolsey, Margaret Litter, Estanislau Bala, Pascoela Tefa, Margaret McConville

Monday 26th: Edward Campbell(1st Anniversary), John Gorman, Mary Molloy

Tuesday 27th:Â Barney Heaney(1st Anniversary), Mary Ann McCormick, Patrick Garvey

Wednesday 28th Alice Marley, Dan Murphy

Thursday 29th: Pat Breen(1st Anniversary), Breda McCann, Elizabeth Fearon, Eileen Marley

Friday 30th:Â M.M. Annunciate Killops, Peter Megarity, Jack McCann, Felix O'Hanlon

Saturday 1st: M.M. Paddy Thornbury, Julie Clarke

Anniversaries late for Bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on 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.

We will be using these new prayers during September:

Penitential Act A

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Invitation to Holy Communion

Priest:Â Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People:Â Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

URGENTLY REQUIRED!!Â Ladies, Men's and Children's clothing.Â Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 orÂ Furniture shop tel. 38394219, Mayfair Business Centre.Â Monday - Friday 10am- 3pm.Â Saturday 10am - 1 pm. Â
Â Â Â Â Â SELF HELP LINE - 38339639.Â Response within 48 hours.

St. Therese of Lisieux: Mass in St Malachy's Church, Armagh on Friday 30th September. Relic will be present. Bring your own roses. All welcome.

Called to the Contemplative Life?Â The Cistercian Community in Portglenone, Co. Antrim, will guide a weekend of vocation discernment for men who may feel they have a vocation to the contemplative monastic life.Â Dates 4th - 6th November 2011.Â Details available either by ringing 028 25821211 or contacting Vocations Director at vocations@bethabbey.com

St. John's Scouts: Scouts - Monday 7 - 9 p.m.Â Cubs - Tuesday 7 - 8.30 p.m.Â Beavers - Wednesday 7 - 8.30 p.m.Â Any ex members who have uniforms may leave them in the Den on any meeting night.

St. Malachy's Indoor Bowling Club:Â Ashgrove Centre, practice atÂ 7.30 p.m.Â New members welcome.

Tir Na nOg: bingo every Tuesday 8.15pm All support needed.

Bannside Development Centre:Â Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m.Â Â£1 per day.Â ICT Classes to be arranged.Â Gentle Exercise Classes to be arranged.Â Arts & Crafts Classes Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays 7 - 8.30 p.m.Â Workshop / Craft Shop open Tuesday - Saturday.Â Friends Cafe open every day.Â For more information contact Carol on 38339916.

St. Malachy's Hurling Club:Â Memorial Tournaments and Playing for The Future Multi Sports Camp (5 - 12 yr olds).Â Drumcree College, Sunday 2nd October 1 p.m. - 4 p.m..Â If interested contact Thomas on 07821579451.

Fr Brendan MacPartlin is looking for somebody to teach English as a foreign language on a voluntary basis. Tel: 07519688841 or 38988610.

Coffee Morning:Â Coffee Morning in Ashgrove Community Centre, Friday 30th September, 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.Â Proceeds to MacmillanÂ Cancer Care.Â All welcome.

SPRED:Â the group will recommence on Wednesday 28th September, 7.30 p.m. in Drumcree Community Centre.Â Enquiries to 38392568.

An Cumann Gaelach:Â Interested in learning Irish?Â Enrolment night will take place on Thursday 29th September in Ashgrove community Centre 7.30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Priory Singers:Â Concert in aid of Save the Children Fund on Saturday 1st October, followed by refreshments, in Seagoe Parish Centre.Â Minimum donation Â£10.Â Tickets available from Parish Office or from Alison Cadden.Â Tel 38 332538.Â All welcome.

Armagh Diocesan Historical Society:Â Second lecture in Autumn programme, "The Flight of the Earls and the military corridors from Flanders to Milan", Wednesday 5th October, 8 p.m. in Cardinal O Fiaich Library and Archive.

Reflection

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The love of God for all

To accept that God first loved us,
through no merits of our own,
and that God is always there for us,
although we forget God,
is more difficult for us
than following God's commandments.

To accept that God loves us just as we are,
unconditionally, gratuitously, and forever,
is more difficult for us
than to sacrifice as we should for God and for others.

To accept that God forgives absolutely
and does not hold our past against us
is more difficult for us
than to repent of the evil we have done.

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To accept this love of God
is the only path to freedom and interior peace.
And it is the underlying reason
why we should accept each other
and love each other just as we are.

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PARISH -
BE A PART OF IT
Â OR BE APART FROM IT

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