

8th January 2012

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

8th January 2012

The Baptism of Our Lord

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

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament in St. John the Baptist Church today, commencing at 4 p.m. and concluding with Benediction at 7 p.m.

The new prayers and responses to the Mass - there are leaflets available with the new responses for use during Mass. Parishioners are asked to use them and return them to the boxes provided.

Ordinary Time (green vestments) begins tomorrow - Sunday readings cycle B; weekday readings cycle 2;

Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 9th Eddie McVeigh.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginnin 9th - 10 a.m. Denis McCourt.Â 7 p.m. Martin Barlow.

Feasts: Friday 13th St. Hilary.

Recent Baptisms:Â Flynn James McKeever, Jakub Wozniakieqicz

Sacrament of Marriage: congratulations to Jamie McDonald and Julie Lappin, Catherine McBride and Rory McBride, Susan McAlinden and Bryan O'Connor who were married recently.

St. Vincent De Paul Society - next Conference meeting Thursday 12th January.Â All conference members are requested to attend.

Thank you: to all who participated to the liturgies during Advent/Christmas/Epiphany to make them so memorable and enriching - to Francis and the Sacristy Team; the servers; the Ministers of the Word and Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist; the Choirs and SHYNE Group; the Altar Society; the collectors and counters; to all who attended from our own Parish and other Parishes - may your presence in all this make you feel a part of something beyond this world, namely, the Kingdom of God.

Of course this work continues throughout the year and thanks also to those involved in the Pastoral Centre - Bethany and Shop volunteers; the cleaning teams. May our continued involvement deepen our sense of Christian Community and commitment to God and each other.

Book Shop:Â Opening hours this week are as follows:

Saturday 7th 6-8.30pm; Sunday 9 am to 1 pm; Monday 10.30 am to 12 noon; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 6 - 8.30 pm.

Come Back to Mass this weekendÂ - encourage family and friends to be a part instead of apart from the praying community.

Weddings 2012: some couples have yet to confirm their date, Church, time and priest!!! For pre-marriage courses please contact ACCORD.

ACCORD:Â pre-marriage courses must be booked at least 10 months before the wedding date.Â Bookings to be made through 1 Tavanagh Avenue, Portadown. Phone 38334781.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Parish on Sunday 4th March; BunScoil in Armagh on Saturday 31st March.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 1st - Â£2975-27

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 Rose McKeever, Billy Jordan, Anna Madden, Zirandina Medeckiene, Philip Jordan, Brendan Kelly, Dermot Hagan, Conor Mulholland.

At This Time: Dominic Matthews, Richard McCleery

Sunday 8th: Beatrice Hamill, Julia Hagan, William John Crawley, James Creaney, George Barry, Peter

Donnelly, Mary Thompson, Beatriz De SousaÂ Â Â

Monday 9th: Deirdre Henderson(1st Anniversary), Mary Ann Fearon, Mary Hanratty, Bridget Rodgers, John Battersby, Peter Fay, Molly Smith, Elaine Hamill, Gerard McCann

Tuesday 10th: Ellen McCann, Lily McVeigh, Peter Jackson, Mary Hooks, John Rooney, Susan Fearnon, Bobby HallÂ Â

Wednesday 11th: Maeve Hoey, Donald McConville, John Hamill, Oliver Lawless, Leonard McShane, Charlie Hendron, William McKernanÂ Â

Thursday 12th:Â Eileen McBride(1st Anniversary), Peter McCann, Bernadette McCann, Peter McCoy, Maggie Murray,

Mary BlackerÂ Â Friday 13th: Francis Bunting, Kevin McNally, Margaret McQuade

Saturday 14th: Joseph Rafferty, Lil Marley, Mary Fox, Sr. Mary Hendron, John Hayes, Jack McShane

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

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

SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

Tir Na nOg: bingo every Tuesday 8.15pm All support needed.
Club Lotto - underage players will be going door to door selling tickets.

Bannside Development Centre: Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m. Â£1 per day. Crafts Classes Tue., Wed. 7 - 8.30 p.m. Recalling the history of St. Mary's Hall - contact Ann 38339916. Writing your life history - contact Ann.

St. Mary's A.B.C. (Boxing Club):
Training Thursday 8 - 12 yrs. old 7 - 8 p.m. 13 yrs plus 8 - 9 p.m.

St. John the Baptist Nursery School: Application forms now available for free pre school places for September 2012 admission. Closing date for applications Wednesday 11th January 2012 at 12 noon. For more information call at the school or contact Mrs Murtagh 38339283.

Oran Fold - apartment to let. If you are 55yrs or over and want to see the benefits of living in a Fold property please call Michelle at 38391918 to arrange your appointment to view.

Richmount Rural Community Association - Be Seen at Night on Country Roads - Lights for 200 Children's bikes, supplied and fitted free, starting 11th January 2012. Further details from Joe Garvey 07934186635 or Geraldine Lawless 07737547439.

Monaghan Charismatic Prayer Group. Healing Mass Monday January 9th at 8pm Venue St Louis Convent Chapel Monaghan Rosary at 7.30

ACCORD: Venue and dates for Marriage Preparation Courses: Course 1 - Quinn's Corner, 175 Ballygawley Road, Dungannon. Tuesday 10th, 17th and 24th January 2012. The course runs for 3 weeks from 7 - 10 p.m. Course 2 - Same Venue. Tuesday 6th, 13th

Ashgrove Community Centre:
Monday - 4 - 5 p.m. Indoor Football (Junior 8 - 14 yrs.).
6 - 7 p.m. Street Dance Class (5 - 11yrs.)
Tuesday 12 - 2 p.m. Seniors Luncheon Club. 5.30 - 6.30 p.m. & 7.30 - 9 p.m. Slimming World.
Wednesday 10 a.m. - noon Housing Executive Advice. 2 - 3.30 p.m. Ballyoran Senior Citizens Club. Ladies Boxercise 5.45 p.m. - 6.45 p.m. Pilates 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Â£5. (Contact Laura 07864858322 for booking Pilates).
Thursday 12 noon - 2 p.m. Seniors Luncheon Club. 7.30 - 9 p.m. St. Malachy's Indoor Bowling Club. 8 - 9 p.m. Irish Language Class.
For bookings etc contact Chris Cassidy 028 38 331650 or 07912389509.

St. Malachy's Hurling Club: Winter Fundraiser
1st Prize Sean Kelly. 2nd Prize Gerard Connolly. 3rd Prize Roger Mulholland.

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.

Reflection

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Jesus, our brother and friend

Born like each of us,
of a woman and in weakness,
plunged himself into human life
at the waters of the Jordan,
at the beginning of his life with us.

Into the depths of sin, love,
into the mystery of fragility, weakness
and into the history of his people.

The waters of the Jordan
are the waters of joy and sorrow;

they are waters of hope and mystery;
and they are the waters of sin and division.
Into the waters of life Jesus plunged
and made of them the living water of God.

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All life is holy, sacred, eternal
because of Jesus.
We plunge with him into the depths
of our own being;
in the depths of love we will find the God of love,
in the depths of sin, the God of
compassion,
in the depths of weakness, the God of strength,
in the depths of division, the God of reconciliation,
in the depths of poverty and misery, the God of justice.

and in the depths of humanity
we will find the divine life of God.

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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