

6th May 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

6th May 2012

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

In preparation for the Eucharistic Congress, St. Joseph's Young Priest Society will lead an Evening of Prayer, and Benediction, before the Blessed Sacrament in St. Patrick's this evening at 7 p.m. reflecting and giving thanks for the fruitfulness of our Parish, remembering that we are each linked to Christ and to one another.

First Holy Communion for P4 St John the Baptist and Rang 4 Bun Scoil on Saturday 12th May at 11am in St John the Baptist Church. Please keep the children in your prayers. All welcome to join this celebration.

Ministry of The Word - from 7th 10 a.m. Sr. Mona Taggart. " 7 p.m. Ursula Barlow.

Minister of The Eucharist

St. John the Baptist from 7th Teresa McCaffrey.

Eucharistic Congress:Â May Rosary in preparation for the Congress every day in May at the Grotto organised by the Parish Pastoral Council. Parish groups wishing to lead this prayer are asked to sign up for this in the Sacristy. Saturday 5th 7.50pm: Saturday Evening Choir; Sunday 12.20pm Pastor; Monday 10.30am Sr Mona; Tuesday 7.30pm Monday Meditation Group; Wednesday 7.30pm Rosary Group; Thursday 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Society; Friday 7.30pm Sacristy Team.

Portadown Lourdes Committee sincerely thank all who have supported or helped in any way during the past year. Masses and candles will be offered for your intentions in Lourdes.Â Petitions for Lourdes may be left in both Churches up to 11th May.Â Pre pilgrimage Mass and meeting on Thursday 10th May in St. John's at 7 p.m. Departure for Lourdes is on 12th May.Â Please join in spirit for the 5 days by saying the following Lourdes Associate Prayer.

Blessed be the Holy and Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

Our Mother have pity on us.

Our Lady of Lourdes heal us for the greater glory of the Most Holy Trinity.

Our Lady of Lourdes heal us for the greater glory of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Lady of Lourdes, heal the sick, convert sinners.

Help of the sick, help of the suffering, pray for us.

O Mary conceived with sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

St. Bernadette pray for us.

Drumcree College:Â visit www.drumcreecollege.co.ukÂ Our School. Our Community. Our Future. Your Choice. Support Drumcree College.

Recent Baptisms:Â Kati Beth Moore, Stephen William Lynn

Exam Prayer Forum: thank you to the students of Drumcree College who represented our Parish on Tuesday evening.

St John's Sunday Funday 27th May - now incorporating Craft Fair - bouncy castle, BBQ and usual attractions.

Sunday 29th

Offertory Collection Â£2737-29

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

Jesus Christ is Risen from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lately Deceased:Â John McKenna, Eileen Clarkson, Denis McCourt

At This Time: Â

Sunday 6th: Joseph McVeigh, Stella & Jimmy Loughlin, Mollie Corr, Seamus O'Neill, Joseph F. Atkinson, Mick Marley, Eric Dale, Jim Speers, Lily O'Hare

Monday 7th: Patricia Mulligan, Edel Fox

Tuesday 8th:Â Mary McCann(1st Anniversary), Robert Hamill, John McCann, John DuffyÂ Â

Wednesday 9th: Joseph Hamill, John Daley

Thursday 10th: Mary Corr(1st Anniversary), Stephen Toal, Jeanie McParland, Catherine Quinn

Friday 11th:Â M.M. Malachy Beattie, Thomas Beattie, Ellen McAlinden, John Lappin

Saturday 12th:Â M.M. Gerald Gray, Kathleen Grimley Â Â Â

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.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association: those eligible for silver, gold pins or 60year medals are asked to leave their name in sacristy to organise getting of pins/medals and presentation.

Ashgrove Community Centre:Â Â Monday - Crafts 10 a.m. - 12 noon.Â Arts 2 - 4 p.m.Â Street Dance ClassÂ 6 -Â 7 p.m. Circuits Exercise Class 7.15 - 8 15 p.m.Â Tuesday 12 - 2 p.m. Seniors Luncheon Club.Â 5.30 - 6.30 p.m. & 7.30 - 9 p.m. Slimming World. Â

Wednesday 10 a.m. - noon Housing Executive Advice.Â 2 - 3.30 p.m. Ballyoran Senior Citizens Club.Â Junior Indoor Soccer 5 - 6 p.m.Â Thursday 12 noon - 2 p.m. Seniors Luncheon Club.Â Dance 5 - 6 p.m.Â Friday Irish Dancing School

4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. For bookings etc contact Chris Cassidy 028 38 331650 or 07912389509.

Tir Na nOg: Bingo every Tuesday 8 pm All support needed also Club Lotto. U 14 training Thursday 7 - 8pm at Scout Den. U12 girls training Thursday in the Scout Den 5.45 - 6.45 p.m.

Bannside Development Centre: Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m. £1 per day. Crafts Classes Tue., Wed. 7 - 8 p.m. Computer Classes Thursdays 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. - contact Ann 38339916.

Craigavon Marie Curie Fundraising - 50k and 80k cycle 12th May from Oxford Island - contact 08700340040; Lurgan Park Walk 30th May 6pm - contact 38343411.

Charity Cabaret and Dance in aid of Marie Curie Nurses - Seagoe Hotel, Saturday 19th May. Ticket £10 available from Hotel Reception, Costcutters Post Office, Hamills Chemist, McKeevers's Bar.

Ballyoran Community Association: for up to date information log on to Facebook Page - ballyorancommunityassociationPortadown. This week some very important information involving a money scam.

Kildara School of Dancing present an evening of Traditional Music and Dance, 'Deal or no Deal' and a Disco on Friday 18th May in Tir Na nOg. Admission £3, payable at door.

Feasts: Thursday 10th St Comgall.

Reflection

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I am the vine, you are the branches

I am the river, you are the water,
I am the mountain, you are the soil,
I am the love, you are the touch,
I am the mother, you are the child,
I am the fragrance, you are the rose;
we belong with him, and in him.

There is no river without water,
no mountain without soil,
no love without touch,
no mother without child,
no fragrance without a flower;

The risen Lord,
faithful promise of God to all of us,
is the source of all life.

May we be grateful for the gift of life.

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The risen Lord is the source of all love;
may we be grateful for the gift of love

It is a continuous gift:
the vine gives life to the branches,
the river gives direction to the water,
the touch gives the comfort of love,
the soil is enriched by the mountain,
the rose is made sweet by the fragrance.

I am the vine, you are the branches.

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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

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Televised Mass on RTE today Sunday marking the commencement of the final month of preparations for International Eucharistic Congress.Â Â The Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Charles Brown, will celebrate Mass at 12 noon.Â Those who are sick or frail due to old age or are housebound have an important place in the life of the Church and the Congress Committee are delighted that, through this celebration of Mass, they can be drawn into the final stage of preparations for the Congress. Funding for the Congress: an envelope for this purpose can be found in the information packs or contributions can be returned in your own marked envelope.

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.

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

SaturdayÂ 6-8.30pm; Sunday 9 am to 1 pm; Monday 10.30 am to 12 noon; Tuesday - FridayÂ 6 - 8.30 pm.Â Gifts forÂ First Communion now available.

What is a Eucharistic Congress? It is an international gathering of people which aims to promote awareness of the central place of the

Eucharist in the life and mission of the Catholic Church; improve our understanding and celebration of the liturgy; draw attention to the social dimension of the Eucharist (i.e. the responsibility which we have to live in the spirit of communion and self-gift that we celebrate).

The first Congress was held in Lille, France in 1881. The theme this year is 'The Eucharist: Communion with Christ and one another.' The 1932 Congress was the 31st and this year marks the 50th.

Naiscol Na Banna - Evening of Entertainment in Ashgrove Community Centre Friday 11th May, 8 till late.Â Adm. Â£8.Â Music by Gael Force and Martin Breen & Co.

Fitness Class for Women(Beginners) - Commencing Wednesday May 16th, 7.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. in Drumcree Pastoral Centre.Â Cost Â£5.Â All ages welcome.Â Tel Isobel 07907655061.