10th February 2013

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) - 1997 St Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835.

10th February 2013 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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. Sheehan 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament today at 4 p.m. concluding with Benediction at 7 p.m. Torchlight Procession to Grotto.

Ministers of The Eucharist -

St. John the Baptist week beginning 11th February Geraldine Lawless.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 11th February - 10 a.m. Tommy Mallon.7 p.m. Pat Hagan.

The Ceremony of Light Celebration in preparation for Confirmation will be held during Mass on Tuesday 12th February at

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7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. Please bring your Baptism Candle. Â Replacement ones can be purchased in the Pastoral Centre shop.

Ash Wednesday - 13th February (Day of Fast and Abstinence). Distribution of Ashes at Masses:Â St. John the Baptist 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. & 7 p.m. Â

St. Patrick's 10 a.m. (Trocaire Boxes available in Churches).

Fast & Abstinence: If you are a Catholic and aged between 14 and 60 yrs. you are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday which means that the amount of food we eat is considerably reduced. All Catholics aged over 14 yrs are bound to abstinence - giving up a particular kind of food or drink or form of amusement.

Recent Baptisms:Â Tia Hughes

Walk with Me - a Lenten Journey of Prayer booklets available - £1.

Parish Lenten Retreat - This year the parish will hold a Parish Lenten Retreat entitled 'Fish on Friday - For an Easter Like Never Before' and we invite everyone to be involved. The idea is really simple and offers the opportunity to do something different this year. The Retreat will take place every Friday night during the 7pm evening Eucharist. In addition everyone will be given a simple Retreat booklet to help you spend 5 minutes a day with God during the days of Lent. Why not give it a try this year and let God surprise you by making this Lent a really enjoyable preparation for an Easter like never before?

Everything will be supplied and all that is needed is you. Â

Lourdes Triduum: Sunday 10th Torchlight Procession to Grotto at 7 p.m.; Monday 11th, Novena Mass 7 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church; a blessing of hands of those who care for the sick, aged, handicapped will take place during the Novena Mass.

Couples getting married during 2013 are invited to Mass next Saturday at 7pm in St John the Baptist Church - just after St Valentine's Day. Those getting married in the Parish have been contacted - those getting married in other Parishes/Countries are welcome.

Year of Faith Bible Study based on Fr Pacwa's book begins next Thursday after evening Mass in the Pastoral Centre. All welcome.

Do something special this Lent! Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the duration of Lent. Take this opportunity to help someone you love with an alcohol or drug problem by offering up your sacrifice as a prayer for their freedom and well-being. Take the Short-Term pledge and make a difference to someone's life! For more information visit www.pioneerassociation.ie or contact Raymond O'Connor (003531) 874 9464

Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased: Anna Woods, Dorothy McGarrity, Margaret Wilson, Matt Hanratty, Kathleen Lavery, Thomas McKeown, Ann Hughes, Vincent McCann, Bobby Judge, Bridget Geraghty, Daphne O'Dwyer, Stephen McCann At This Time:Â Connie Keating, Patricia Hughes, Richard McNally, Ronnie Magennis, Maureen Creaney, James & Cassie Faloon, John Walsh, Rosetta & Paddy Grimes

Sunday 10th:Â James McConaghy, John Rooney, Daniel Lynn, Tony Cavanagh, Peggy McVeigh

Monday 11th: Sean Mulholland, Bernard Duffy, George Blacker, Pat McGuigan Â

Tuesday 12th: M.M. Vincent Wright, Harry O'Neill, Geordie & Theresa McCann, Dympna Stuart, Pat Hamill, Rose Lappin, Patrick Grimes Â Â

Wednesday 13th:Â Stephen Joseph Fitzpatrick, William Carvill, Peggy Sloan

Thursday 14th: Caroline Byrne, Rosina Williamson, Pat Travers, Annie O'Neill, Peter Corrigan, Sarah Breen, William Shanks Â Â

Friday 15th: Lyda Murphy, Laurence Cullen, Thomas Oliver, Elizabeth Walsh Â

Saturday 16th: Aloysius Tennyson, Zofia Pokorna & Family, Aidan Donnelly, Nellie Halfpenny

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When submitting notices for the bulletin please include a name and telephone number

Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

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

College.

Feasts: 11th Our Lady of Lourdes; 13th Ash Wednesday;

Thursday 14th Ss. Cyril & Methodius.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

URGENTLY REQUIRED!! Ladies, Men's and Children's Clothing. Furniture also needed - collection available. Clothe shop phone

38393898. Furniture shop phone 38394219, Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road. Open Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SELF HELP LINE - 38339639 - Response within 48 hours.

Book Shop Pastoral Centre: Opening hours this week - Saturday 6 - 8 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon.

Tuesday - Friday 6 - 8 p.m. Confirmation and First Communion gifts now available.

St. Mary's Youth Centre: due to planned refurbishment of the Centre the After School Club and Evening Club will now be operating from Drumcree College (the former Music Block). A warm welcome to all. Â For football training and boxing see relevant coaches.

St. John the Baptist P.S. PTA - †Quiz with a Difference†in the Pastoral Centre, Friday 23rd February at 7.30 p.m. Admission £5 per person, includes light supper. Tickets available from the school.

ARMAGH HOSPITALITE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES - Portadown and Loughgall Committee. Annual Pilgrmage 12th - 17th May Direct Flight from Belfast, including full board Euro 680. Limited number of places available for both Assisted Pilgrims and Pilgrims. Application forms for Assisted Pilgrim places are available in the sacristy of all Churches. Completed forms must be returned to the sacistry by Ash Wednesday. To request an application for for a Pilgrim place, contact Bernie Connolly 07801703219.

Taste the New Wine: Rediscovering Vatican II (A conversation with Bishop Donal Murray, Limerick). SMA Conference Centre, Dromantine Newry, Wednesday 27th Feb. 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. Booking essential. Cost £5. Telephone 00353 42 9336649 or email parishandfamily@gmail.com

Congratulations to Rosalind Connolly, Woodside Green, a member of Team Ireland who won a Gold Medal at the Special Olympics Winter games in South Korea.

Ashgrove Community Centre: Â

Monday Craft Classes 10am-12noon; Arts Class 2pm-4pm; Hip Hop Dance 6 - 8 p.m; Mixed Martial Arts 8-9pm Tuesday 11.30am - 12.30pm Seniors Luncheon Club; Bowls 2-4pm; MMA 7.30 - 8.30 p.m. Wednesday 10.30 - 11.30 a.m. Housing Executive Advice; Ballyoran Seniors Club 2 - 3.30 p.m; Eat to Succeed 5-6pm; Pride of Eireann 7.30-9pm. Thursday Seniors Luncheon Club 11.30 - 12.30 p.m.; Junior Indoor Soccer 4.30 - 5.30 p.m., Multi Skills Club 6-7pm; St. Malachy's Bowling 7.30 - 9 p.m. Irish Language Class 8 - 9 p.m.Â

Friday Irish Dancing School 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m;Â MMAÂ 7-8 p.m.

Saturday Ballet Dancing 10.30 - 1.30 p.m; Bowls 1.45-2.45pm; MMA 3-4pm;Â Christian Meeting 6 - 8 p.m. Â For bookings etc contact Chris Cassidy 028 38 331650 or 07912389509 for Birthday Parties and Private Bookings.

Tir Na nOg: Bingo every Tuesday 8 pm All support needed also Club Lotto. Membership now open - closes 31st March 2013. Renewal forms available in clubrooms. Adults £25. Pensioners £5. Student/Underage £5. New and lapsed members welcome. Â

Registration Meeting Monday 11th February at 7.30 p.m. for

U6, U8, U10, U12, U14 Boys & Girls, U16 Boys, Minor Boys. All parents must attend to sign consent forms. Registration fee for each child is £5, payable on the night. Â

St. Malachy's Hurling Club: BIG BINGO - begins Friday 8th March at 8.15 p.m. sharp in Pastoral Centre. 9 games at £30 line, £60 house. Big game must be won £50 line, £500 house. Adm £10 per 6 books.

The Presentation of the Lord Icon has been placed in St John the Baptist Church as an aid to prayer.

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Sunday 3rd
Offertory Collection £2397-89
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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Reflection

From now on you will catch people

Caught by a smile in a crowded room, and you find the gathering is never the same; caught by a loving touch and you know you are not alone; caught by a joke on you and you know you are teased or mocked.

We are caught by the word of God and our lives are changed, like the friendship or a chance meeting that catches us unaware can change our lives.

We are caught by the compassion of God so that we know we are always loved, even when we cannot love ourselves. We are caught by God's forgiveness and know that nothing of the past need catch us in nets of guilt; caught by the call of God and we know that God wants to catch others through us.

We are invited, each of us, into his service, to be caught by the beauty, joy, challenge and freedom of his invitation.

We know that we can be his followers, into his service.
He catches us to be his word and presence, compassion and love in the world of today.
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 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

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