

3rd March 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.
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St John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road (1777) - 1997
St Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835.

3rd March 2013
Third Sunday of Lent

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

Devotions/Stations of The Cross in St. Patrick's this evening at 7 p.m.

Congratulations to all who were Confirmed yesterday by Rt. Rev. Dean Colum Curry V.G. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and challenge you in life, and may your family and friends and the wider community benefit from your use of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

The College of Cardinals, including our own Cardinal Sean Brady, meet in Rome to elect a successor to Pope Benedict XVI who has retired. Keep them in your prayers.

Bishop Gerard Clifford has retired as our Auxiliary Bishop due to ill health. He has had a long association with our Parish as priest and bishop. We wish him well in retirement and thank him for his ministry among us. Keep him in your prayers.

Ministers of The Eucharist

St. John the Baptist week beginning 4th March Maura Berry and Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word Week beginning 4th March - 10 a.m. Peggy McKeever.

Â 7 p.m. Geraldine Lawless.

Recent Baptisms:Â Holly Hardy, Adriana Niuitini, Leo Alexander Adams, Kacper Ramoicki

Diocesan Lourdes Committee Portadown/Loughgall meeting on Monday 4th March in the Pastoral Centre at 8 p.m.

Next Friday 8th of March marks the 4th week of our Parish Lenten RetreatÂ 'Fish on Friday â€œ For an Easter Like Never Before'.Â On the night we will welcome Sister Anna Byrne, a Daughter of Charity of St Vincent de Paul. Anna has lived in Belfast for over 20 years and is chaplain in St Louiseâ€™s Comprehensive College on the Falls Road.Â Anna will help us to view the experience of the women in the Passion and Easter stories asking what their stories can say to us on our journey to that Easter like never before. Â

First Communion/First Confession - those preparing for these Sacraments will attend Mass, with their parents and families, next weekend.Â Saturday 7 p.m. Ballyoran P.S.; Sunday 10 a.m. Presentation P.S.; Sunday 11.30 a.m. St. John the Baptist P.S./Bunscoil.

Lenten Study Programme Monday 11 a.m. - 12 noon in the Pastoral Centre.Â Those attending please reflect on the Sunday Readings for 3rd March.Â All welcome.

Feasts: Friday Monday 4th St. Casimir;Â Tuesday 5th St. Kieran;Â Thursday 7th Ss. Perpetua & Felicity; Friday 7th St. Senan.

Sacrament of Anointing will take place during 10 a.m. Mass on Saturday 9th March in St. Patrickâ€™s.Â All welcome.

Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased:Â Patricia Wilson, Fr. Senan Timoney, Oriando Miranda, Gerry McGreevy, Seamus Mallon, Lily Tennyson, Paddy Gillen, Thomas Lawless, Robert obiri Yeboah, Ita MurphyÂ Â

At This Time:Â Esther Prentice, Tommy McParland, Mary McAnallen, Kathleen Lavery, Charles Lavery, Julia Bennett, Stephen McGurk

Sunday 3rd:Â M.M. Bobbie Judge, Mary Catherine Campbell, Mary Rafferty, Molly McCooe, Leo McCooe, Mary McCooe, Pat Kelly, Patrick Marley, Thomas William Garvey, Anastasia McKeever, Mary Agnes Dunbar, Joseph McConville, Isidore Campbell, Soares, Martins, Da Costa FamiliesÂ Â Â

Monday 4th: Sr. Agnes Collins, Vera Burke, Mary Austin, Eileen McMurray, Dr. Joseph FearonÂ Â

Tuesday 5th:Â M.M. Stephen McCann, M.M. Bridget Geraghty, Julie Litter, Noel Kelly, Elizabeth Carson, Patsy Gorman, Peter Guy, Sheila McCannÂ Â Wednesday 6th:Â Margaret McCusker, James ConlonÂ Â

Thursday 7th:Â Molly McLoughlin(1st Anniversary), Venia Prunty, Christina McNally, Matilda Donnelly, Andy Mulligan, Felix McKeever Â

Â Friday 8th:Â Michael Turley, Rita Carroll, Denis Kelly, Kelly Family, Agnes Farrell, St. Gertrude Taggart, Francis Hagan Â

Saturday 9th:Â M.M. Claudina Alves, Paddy Austin, Patrick Creaney, Elizabeth Murphy, Bertie Redmond, May Batty Â

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

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.

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St. Vincent De Paul Society

URGENTLY REQUIRED!! Ladies, Menâ€™s and Childrenâ€™s Clothing. Furniture also needed - collection available.Â Clothes shop phone

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

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SELF HELP LINE - 38339639 - Response within 48 hours.

Book Shop Pastoral Centre:Â Opening hours this week - Saturday

6 - 8 p.m.Â Sunday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.Â Monday 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon.

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

Personality and Spirituality Workshop: (Finding a balance to assist your life of prayer) - led by Denis Bradley, Drumcree Pastoral Centre, Tuesday March 19th at 7.30 p.m.

Engaged Encounter is designed for couples preparing for marriage and seek to enrich communication in all aspects of their relationship. The next non-residential weekend will take place on 13th/14th April at Dromantine. For information tel. 79300340.

Ulster Project Delaware: An evening to mark the retirement of Dr. Sally Milbury-Steen will be held in the Pastoral Centre on Wednesday March 13th, beginning at 7.30 p.m. All UPD participants and leaders (1978 - present) are welcome to attend. It would be appreciated if those attending would bring along a dish of some kind to help with catering costs. Your UPD shirt and any photo albums you might have could also be brought along. Please reserve your place by contacting Martin at mhaganmusfa@yahoo.co.uk or alternatively the Ulster Project event on facebook. Reservations should be made before Wednesday March 6th.

Year of Faith - Gathering in Faith Prayer Card available in Pastoral Centre Shop - £1.

Magnificat - March booklet containing readings and prayers for Mass, meditations, Morning and Evening and Night Prayer of the Church. £2.50 from the Pastoral Centre Bookshop.

The Priests in Concert, Friday 8th March, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh 8 p.m. £15. Tel. 37521821.

Year of Faith Bible Study continues next Thursday after evening Mass in the Pastoral Centre. All welcome.

Ashgrove Community Centre:

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.
 Friday Irish Dancing School 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m; MMA 7-8 p.m.
 Saturday Ballet Dancing 10.30 - 1.30 p.m; MMA 3-4pm; Christian Meeting 6 - 8 p.m.
 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.

Bannside Development Centre: Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m. £1 per day. Arts and Crafts Classes Tuesday & Wednesday 7 - 8 p.m. Computer Classes Thursday 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. For more information contact Ann 38339916.

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.

Cumann Gaelach: CAIL - Mair Saturday 9th March, Drumcree Pastoral Centre, Ceol le Banna Ceol Duntally.

St. Mary's Women's Guild: Meeting in Ashgrove Community Centre, Wednesday 6th March 8 p.m. Guest speaker.

Sunday 24th

Offertory Collection - £2393-96

Thanks to all who contributed

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Pastoral Centre: Cafe Bethany open after

10 a.m. Mass on Mondays

If you have moved to the Parish or changed address within the past year and would like to contribute to the upkeep of the Parish, using envelopes, please complete the slip below and place in collection basket.

Name

Address.....

Old Address/Parish.....

Reflection

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Another chance

Jesus told a story about
someone coming to a fig tree
and looking for fruit
and wanting it cut down because it was
barren.
But he was persuaded to give it another
chance.

Jesus liked that story
because heâ€™s the person of another chance.

With his friends
there was always the chance
to turn around,
become whole again
and follow him anew,
even after denial and cowardice.

He looks ahead of us
on our path of life
and sees a new way,
another chance out of failure,
a new conversion from sin.

Our book of life is never closed for
Jesus,
our book of life is never full,
the song of our life is never sung out.

We are not programmed like on a
computer,
nor is our lifeâ€™s plan pressed on a
compact disc.
We are people who can always change,
become strong again, walk confident,
hand-in-hand with God.

As Jesus sees us as people who may
change and grow,
may we see others in the same light.

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Prayer for the Church

O Lord Jesus Christ, Supreme Pastor of Your Church,
we thank you for the ministry of Pope Benedict XVI
and the Selfless care with which he has led us
as Successor of Peter, and your Vicar on earth.

Good Shepherd, who founded Your Church
on the rock of Peterâ€™s faith
and have never left Your flock untended,
look with love upon us now,
and sustain Your Church in faith, hope and charity.

Grant, Lord Jesus, in Your boundless love for us,
a new Pope for Your Church
who will please You by his holiness
and lead us faithfully to You,

who are the same yesterday, today and forever.

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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

The JOY rule

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Think of You