

3rd August 2008

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

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Eighteenth 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

Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - 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 and 2nd Sunday- except July and August

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. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Sadie Garvey, Frank McNeice, John McParland, Christina Grigiene, George Halfpenny, Annie Laverty, May Markey

At This Time: Sarah Bridget Donnelly, Philip Coleman, Leontia Kennedy

Sunday 3rd: Gerry Loughlin, Tommy Connolly, Bernard Dummigan

Monday 4th: Mona McCann(1st Anniversary), Patrick Devlin, Felix J. Hughes, Patrick McStravick Tuesday 5th:

Michael Carvill(1st Anniversary), Mamie Hamill,

Patrick Kelly, Rose Faloon, Patrick Mulholland Wednesday 6th: Mary McParland, Francis Brady Thursday 7th: Patsy

Corrigan, Catherine Daly, Michael Rowney, Frances O'Neill Friday 8th: Anne O'Hanlon, Finbar Kelly, John Holla

Annie Greer Saturday 9th: Aidan Cullen, Catherine Murphy

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Receiving Holy Communion in St. John the Baptist and St. Patrick's Churches:Â from this weekend the Celebrant and Eucharistic Ministers will have fixed positions around the Altar for the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. Please come forward in line to them. Be patient and tolerant. Thank you.

Recent Baptisms: Â

Samantha Cachapero; Maria Samantha Martinez; Ryan Martin Breen; Vanessa Monteiro Silva da Costa.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginningÂ 4th AugustÂ 10 a.m. Tommy BradleyÂ Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â
7 p.m. Aidan McCormac

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 5th August Geraldine Lawless.

PALS - Children's prayer and Liturgy group for children from 4 yrs - primary 3, welcome children at 7 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday in St. Patrick's.Â For more information contact Ursula on 07889424614.Â Â

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National Grandparents Pilgrimage: Sunday 14th September at Knock. All welcome.

Grotto:Â Water Feature now working.

Congratulations to Armagh Senior Men's Team in winning the Ulster Final replay.

Feasts this week:

Monday 4th St. John Vianney, Cure of Ars; Tuesday 5th Dedication of St. Mary Major Basilica; Wednesday 6th The Transfiguration; Friday 8th St. Dominic; Saturday 9th St. Teresa Benedict, St. Nathy, St. Felim.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times.Â Collection can be arranged.Â Contact the clothes shop, tel. 38393898 orÂ Furniture shop tel. 38394219,Â in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road.Â Opening hours Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.Â Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.Â NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639.Â Response within 48 hours. Senior Citizens Outing Wednesday 13th August. Tickets now available in clothes shop.

Abortion Threat from Westminster - abortion could be legalised in N. Ireland as early as October when MPs will vote on proposals to extend the 1967 Abortion Act.Â Pro-life group PRECIOUS LIFE are asking for your prayers and support for their urgent campaign to protect our unborn babies and mothers from abortion.

For further information on how to you can help, please contact Bernadette on 028 90278484 or www.preciouslife.com

Anniversaries late for bulletin publication should be left in the sacristy if families want their departed prayed for on the proper day, otherwise they will be included in "At This Time" the following week.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 27th July

Â£2572.66

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

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He saw a large crowd and had compassion on them

A saint, Catherine of Siena, once said

"Where we see faults, God sees

struggles."

You see people differently with the eye of compassion.

When Jesus saw the crowd without food

he asked only how to feed them.

No complaint as to

why they had come without food,
their lack of plans,
not even a suggestion of impatience.

In poverty Jesus never asks why you're poor,
his heart goes out to your poverty.

His heart goes out to the
unemployed person,
not first asking why you have no job.
His heart goes out to the single parent
without question, without comment.
Or with sins, the first movement of the heart of Christ,
is to forgive, to be compassionate, in relation with you.

He saw a large crowd and had compassion on them.

A marriage going badly,
a relationship being abused,
a conflict with parents,

Jesus sees the suffering of the heart,
and wants to help.

He gives that sense of wholeness,
never judging a person on one aspect of personality.
Faults are struggles,
and in knowing you're fully known and accepted,
you can accept the bread of strength
and move on stronger, whole, loved.
He saw a large crowd and had
compassion on them.

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Parish & Community Notices

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.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE: Alone Again! Separated or Widowed? Beginning Experience helps people to work through their grief to be healed and live again. Coping Programme for Widowed and Separated - Thursdays 8pm-10pm
September 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th; Residential Weekend October 17th/19th.

TRAUMA PROGRAMME: Are you feeling fearful? Alone? Helpless? Angry? Shameful? Guilty? The Wider Circle offers structured self-help programmes for individuals and to those who care for traumatised individuals. Introduction night, Tuesday 30th September at 7pm

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: one to one bereavement support - confidentiality assured. Appointment not necessary.
Time: Thursday mornings 1030am to 12.30pm.

FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE CONTACT ARMAGH DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE, THE MAGNET, DUNDALK.
TEL: 00 353 42 9336393 OR 00 353 879 338 737.

ACCORD: Marriage Preparation Courses begin in Armagh City Hotel as follows:- Course 1 - Wednesday 27th August 7 - 10 p.m. Course 2 - Wednesday 22nd October 7 - 10 p.m. And begin in Cohannon Inn: Course 1 Tuesday 23rd September 7-10pm; Course 2 Tuesday 21st October 7-10pm; Course 3 Tuesday 25th November 7.10pm. Due to increasing

demand couples are advised to book their place at least ten months before the wedding. Telephone 38334781

St. Mary's Youth Centre U16 Football

Training every Wednesday 6 p.m. in the Park. Meet at Park Road entrance.(For players born in 1993 or 1994).All welcome.

Ashgrove Seniors Luncheon Club: Places available at the Luncheon Club on Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon. Lunch & Bingo £1-50. If interested (over 60's), contact Ashgrove Community Centre.

Bannside Community Centre:Â Arts and Crafts Classes, 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.Â English classes, Thursday 10 a.m. ICT for beginners.Â Homework Club resumes 8th September..Â For information contact Carol 028 38339916.

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LIFELINE is a new regional 24/7 helpline funded by the DHSS and Public Safety - calls are answered by trained counsellors who are experienced in dealing with suicide, self-harm, abuse, trauma, depression and anxiety. The number is 0808 808 8000, lines are open 24hours a day, 7days a week and calls are free from all landlines and mobile phones.

Gen X Peer Leadership Training: are you aged 18-25 years old? Interested in Youth/Community Work? The Gen X Project is for you!! We offer accredited training in peer leadership as well as residential, social events and the opportunity to meet new people. Project starts September 2008. If interested call Mikhaila or James at 028-3832 5218.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Medjugorje Pilgrimage dates 2008:

20th - 27th August and 24th September - 1st October.Â For details contact Josephine 028 38343091.