27th January 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. www.drumcreeparish.com

St. John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road (1777) - 1977

St. Patrick's Church, William Street – 1835

27th January 2008 Third 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 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.

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. White 38332218 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescat In Pace

Lately deceased: Nora Rooney, Anne Hyland, Â Charlie Hendron, Annie McCullough, Mary Brown, James McCallan, Peter Loughran, Gerard Lyttle.

At This Time: .Sarah McConnell, Cathal Sweeney. Sunday 27th:Â Frank Hannaway, Annie Flanagan, James Williamson, Joseph Donnelly. Monday 28th:Â James Neeson, Sarah Johnston, Veronica McKeever, Frances Douglas, Pauline Rose Knipes, Knipes Family, Alice Creaney, Mary Ann Breen, Sarah Ann Lappin, Joseph Kelly

Tuesday 29th:Â Mary McCleery, Connie Keating, Mary Oliver, Madge McAlinden, James & Catherine Doyle, John Hamill. Wednesday 30th: John Patrick Creaney,

Kathleen McClean, William Hall, John Fearon, Doris Murphy. Thursday 31st: Michael Mallon, Sarah Williams, Elizabeth Heyburn, Lily Daley, Mary Neeson, James Lavery, Laurence Lennon, Elizabeth Hendron. Friday 1st:Â M.M. Una Hewitt, Sarah McCaughley, Mary McCaffrey, Lily Brennan.

Saturday 2nd:Â John Murphy, Malachy Cumberton, Bridget Woolsey, Joe Grimes,

Malachy McAlinden, Jean McKeown.

Feasts:Â Friday 1st - St. Brigid Saturday 2nd - Presentation of Jesus in the Temple Â

Cardinal Sean Brady will visit the Parish on Tuesday 29th January to mark Catholic Education Week. He will celebrate Mass at 10am in St. John the Baptist Church and visit the Parish Schools. All are encouraged to attend.

First Friday Notices: Confessions - Thursday 31st St. Patrick's Â 6 p.m. - 6.30 p.m. St. John's Â 7.30 p.m. Masses - Friday 1st St. Patrick's Â 10 a.m. (Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 10.30 a.m. - 6 p.m.) St. John's Â 7 p.m. Fr. O'Dwyer will make his Tuesday calls on Friday.

Ministers of the Eucharist - February Vigil - Patsy Lambe, Theresa McCaffrey, Paddy Gorman, Miriam Loftus. 8.30 am Eddie McVeigh, Patsy Hanratty. Â 10 am Winnie Breen, Ann Marie Hamill, Madeline O'Neill. Â 11.30 am Patricia Halfpenny, Nicola Fay, Rosaleen Hamill, Bernie Mallon.

St. Francis - Bernadette Breen. Grange - Paddy Gorman.

Ministry of The Word - February Vigil - Ursula Barlow. 8.30 am Julia Lawless. 10 am Sarah Lawless, David Fleming. 11.30 am Jerome Marley.

Ministers of the Eucharist: St. John the Baptist, week beginning 29th January Geraldine Lawless.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 28th January, 10 a.m. Tommy Bradley, 7 p.m. Ursula Barlow.

Armagh Hospitalite Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 12th to 17th May 2008. A limited number of both Assisted Pilgrim and Pilgrim places are available. Application forms for Assisted Pilgrim places are available in the Sacristies of both Churches. Fully completed forms must be returned before Tuesday 5th February. Pilgrim places can be booked by contacting Bernie Hanratty at 38361870. Direct flight from Belfast including full board 670 Euro.

Sunday 20th January £2433-64 Thanks to all who contributed

If you have moved house within the Parish in the past 12 - 18 months, or recently moved to the Parish, please complete and return the slip below. Â Place in collection basket or leave at either parochial house.

Name
New Address
Old Address
Tel. No
Â

Reflection

Follow me

Lord, thanks for these words.
I need to hear them.

Follow me.

Words which echo in my heart.

When I was younger and wondered about the consistent direction of my life, the words were there, gentle, persuasive, liberating -Follow me. Â When I wonder what l'II do with my life. In the doubts of how to give my time and love when the options were many, and some seemed more appealing than others -Follow me

When I wonder about the challenges of life, the needs of the poor in this unequal world, the abuse of the child and the vulnerable, The Church with its sinfulness and failings, the words still echo -Follow me and I will make you fishers of people.

In the small ways that love challenges the times for listening, for caring, for giving time, for a helping hand, with the people $l\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}^{M}m$ with all the time, the words echo with their challenge and their comfort Come, follow me.

Thanks, Lord for these words, And I ask you that I will be open always to hear them.

Â

Parish & Community Notices

When submitting notices for the bulletin please include a contact name and telephone number. Â Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

Â

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times. Collection can be arranged. Contact the shop. Clothes shop and Furniture shop in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road, tel. 38393898. Opening Hours: Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

Senior Citizen's Tea Dance In Tir Na nOg Club, Monday 28th January, 8 p.m. Â Ticket £2 available from shop. Numbers limited.

ARE YOU HAVING DIFFICULTIES IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP? SKILLED COUNSELLORS CAN HELP YOU. CALL ACCORD - ph. 38334781. Â

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Courses as follows:- Venue - Cohannon Inn. Tuesday 19th Feb, 26th Feb., 4th March, 8th April, 15th April, 22nd April, 6th May,13th May & 20th May. All times 7 - 10 p.m. Booking now.

BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP: Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m. English/ ICT for beginners. Â Contact Phyllis for further information. 38339916. Volunteers needed to supervise Homework Club.

Tir Na nOg GFC: Bingo every Tuesday 8.30 p.m. The bigger the crowd the bigger the prizes. Support the Club Lotto. Â

St. John's Accordion Band. Lessons in accordion, percussion and keyboard Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School. All ages welcome. Â

St. Mary's University College, Belfast - Professor Michael P. Gallagher will deliver a public lecture entitled †Pope Benedict's Theology of Faith: A time of crisis and hope - also for Ireland? in the college on Tuesday 29th January at 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT - programmes at 103 Thomas Street. MEDITATION on Mondays 7.30pm; HEALING AND EMPOWERING YOUR INNER CHILD on Wednesday 9th January to 26th February 7.30 p.m. T'AI CHI CHIH at Cascades Leisure Centre on Thursdays 10th January to 27th February 11am. Call Sr. Brigid Kavanagh 38332220 to register and for further information.

Naiscoil Na Banna (Irish Language Pre School): If you have a child aged 2+ and are interested in Irish Medium Education contact Shileen at the Naiscoil, 38391243.

Drumcree Community Centre: Yoga classes resume Wednesday 16th January, 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Â£3 per session. Tel. 38334522.

Drumcree College: Adult Keep Fit Dance/Aerobic Classes - new session starts Monday 14th January. Phone College for more information. Wanted!!! old/used greeting and Christmas cards. Leave at office.

CHARITY TABLE QUIZ - In July of this year 8 young people from our parish are travelling to Sydney, Australia, to meet the pope and for World Youth Day celebrations. All proceeds from the quiz will help towards the cost. DATE:Â Friday 1st February:Â VENUE:

Parkside Inn. TIME: 9 p.m. Â£3 per person. All welcome. Come along for a good nights craic.

Ulster Project Delaware - seeking a male leader to work with and then accompany 18 teenagers on a cross community project to the States this summer (27th June - 25th July). If interested or require further information contact Martin on 07793982934.

Workshop in Sacred Music, Synod Hall, Armagh, Monday 4th Feburary 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. It is facilitated by Mr. Colm Murphy, Director of Sacred Music in St. Patrick Cathedral. Â£5 - includes resource pack etc.