

17th February 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

17th February 2008

Second 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

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:

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescat In Pace

Lately deceased: Thomas Lamph, Peter Hughes, Richard McNally, Msgr. John

McGrane, Joel Hamill, Stephen Fitzpatrick

At This Time: .Patrick & Margaret Lavery, Kathleen Lavery, Charles Lavery, Joseph Kelly, Laurence Crozier, Doreen Devlin, Anna Hamill, Elizabeth Murphy, Margaret O'Neill, Anthony Bennett, Sofia, Fernando, Cavaterra, Cosme, Ximenes, Gutierrez Family. Sunday 17th: Cathy Connolly, George Healy, Cassie Smith, Agnes McQuade, Stephen Murphy, Mary Jane Campbell, Kevin McNiece, Kathleen Lynn, Maureen McConville. Monday 18th: Gerard Cullen, Theresa O'Dwyer, Bridget Murray, Tony Metcalfe, Fr. Desmond Cush, Lily Grimley, Johnny McGurgan. Tuesday 19th: Robert Jones (1st Anniversary), Rosaleen Magee, Dec. Members Armagh Clerical Benefit Society. Wednesday 20th: Thomas Cullen, Sarah Ann Bunting, Una McQuade, Peter McKeown. Thursday 21st: M.M. Bridie McGeehan, Mary Ellen Kelly, Owen McCann, Joseph Marley, Kevin Heatley, Joseph Litter, Vincent Byrne, Josie Fleming. Friday 22nd: Edward Murphy, John Woolsey, James McNally, Ellen Fearon, Eithne Hanigan, Paul Andrew Creaney. Saturday 23rd: M.M. Gerard

Lyttle, Jimmy Clarke, James McNally, Thomas James Reid.

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Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Thursday 21st February.

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 18th February, Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 18th February, 10 a.m. Tommy Mallon,
7 p.m. Olivia McDonald.

First Confession dates:

St. John the Baptist PS/Bunscoil

Tuesday 4th March at 6 p.m.

Ballyoran CPS

Tuesday 11th March at 6 p.m.

Both in St. John the Baptist Church.

Cemetery Sunday/ Blessing of the Graves on Sunday 1st June at 11.30 a.m.

Recent Baptisms: Aimee Niamh Moore,
Emily Erin Moore, Max Phelim Moore

Youth 2000 Youth Festival: Youth festival in St. Pius X High School, Moneymore Rd., Magherafelt from Friday 29th February - Sunday 2nd March. A big attendance (aged 16-35) is expected from all over Ireland at this donation only event, with newcomers very welcome. Masses, talks, music, games etc. Residential - so please bring a sleeping bag. For more information contact Martin on 07858523141

ME? - Need time for yourself? Come along to Ashgrove Centre on Monday 25th February, 8.15 p.m. - 9 p.m. for 45 minutes of quietness, reflection and prayer. All are welcome, bring a friend.

Let us carry each others burdens. Let us pray for each other. Return your stone this weekend and take another. Pray for the person who left this stone that God through your prayers will give them the strength they need. And remember someone is praying for you.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Afternoon of Prayer in Dromantine on Sunday 9 March. Please call into the Sacristy after Mass today.

GATE Magazine (Diocesan Youth publication) available in Churches.

Walk With Me - A Lenten Journey of Prayer - books available in Churches, Â£1.

Sunday 10th February

Â£2681-45

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. Place in collection basket or leave at either Parochial House.

Name

New Address.....

Old Address.....

Tel. No.

Reflection

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And they saw his glory

They saw his glory and were
 Â surprised.
 We see his glory all around us
 and often do not notice it,
 and when we do notice it,
 we are surprised.

Christ in the surprise of a January flower,
 Christ in the discovery of a new love,
 Christ in the offering and welcoming
 of reconciliation,
 Christ in the tireless efforts of men
 and women of peace.

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In the schoolroom in a city slum
 where a teacher for a low salary
 transforms the lives of the poor
 who are God's favourites.

And they saw his glory
 in the efforts to free those
 imprisoned unjustly
 by regimes which feed their
 own greed.

In the hours of listening in
 a marriage,
 in the time spent watching in love
 over a sick child,
 in caring for the sick, the lonely,
 the old,
 in all those times
 we go out of our own cares,
 big or small,
 to enter the cares of others.

And they saw his glory:
 and in such moments
 we too see his glory.

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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.

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St. Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times.Â Collection can be arranged.Â Contact the shop. Clothes shop and Furniture shop in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road, tel. 38393898. Opening Hours:Â 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.Â Â Â Â Â Â Â URGENTLY REQUIRED - Baby Clothes.

ARE YOU HAVING DIFFICULTIES IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP? SKILLED COUNSELLORS CAN HELP YOU.Â CALL ACCORD - ph. 38334781.Â Â ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Courses.Â Due to increasing demand ACCORD are advising couples to book their place at least ten months before the wedding.Â Marriage Preparation courses are now available for viewing on the website address www.accordni.comÂ Next courses - March 5th and 8th; May 14th and 17th in Synod Hall, Armagh.

Anger Issues?Â Everyone knows what anger is.Â But how do you express it without hurting others or hurting yourself?Â Uncontrolled anger can cost you your marriage, your job, relationships, health and the respect of your children and loved ones.Â If anger is starting to rule your life contact The Irish association of Anger Management, Leinster Office on 042 935 1024 or log onto www.difficultemotions.com to learn how you could temper your anger.

'IS GOD A DELUSION?' - A year ago last Christmas the book

"The God Delusion", by biologist Richard Dawkins, was on the best seller list. If anyone is interested in joining a study/discussion group on the theme, please get in touch with Michael Bingham at Iona House, Church Park, or phone 38330366.

Women's World Day of Prayer - Friday 7th March, 8 p.m. at Thomas St. Methodist Church. Prayer Service prepared by Christian Women of Guyana on the theme, God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding. All are welcome: men, women, young people. Refreshments following.

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

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

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT - programmes at 103 Thomas Street. MEDITATION will resume 11th February. 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. Lenten Mini-Retreat 23rd February 10.45 - 3.30 p.m. at 103 Thomas Street. Theme is I Thirst: Give Me a Drink. Reflections on the Gospel of John. Soup and sandwich lunch. Open to men and women of all faiths. 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 Ramblers trip to Loughgall Park on Sunday 17th February. Meet at Drumcree Community Centre at 2 p.m. for transport. Everyone welcome.

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

Armagh Diocesan PTAA - Annual Dinner Dance Friday 4th April, Ryandale Hotel, Moy. For tickets phone 07737547439. Diocesan Pioneer Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 22nd - 27th September.

Quiz - under 27 over 16 - Sunday 2nd March. Senior Quiz - Over 16 - Sunday 2nd March. Juvenile - Under 13 - Friday 7th March

Juvenile - Under 16 - Friday 7th March. Anyone wishing to enter please phone 07737547439 before 23rd February.