

# 1st February 2009

## 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](http://www.drumcreeparish.com)

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

1st February 2009

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times:

St. John the Baptist

SaturdayÂ Â 7 p.m.

SundayÂ Â Â Â 8.30 & 11.30 a.m.

St. Patrick's

SundayÂ Â Â 10 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

St. John the Baptist

Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - SaturdayÂ 10 a.m.

Monday 7p.m. (Novena -  
Miraculous Medal)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thursdays inÂ St. John the Baptist Church beginning at 6 p.m.

Devotions 1st and 2nd Sunday

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 beÂ 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

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Peter Jackson, Joe Rafferty, Sarah Connolly, Anna Morgan

Baby Ciaran Megaw died during the week - we pray for his parents and family

At This Time: Adelina De Fatima Lemos, Cosmi Ximenes, Doris Murphy, Stephen McVeigh, Joseph Donnelly, Rose

McShane, Catherine & James Doyle, Willie Hall, Sarah Williams, Alice TateÂ Â Sunday 1st: Tommy Lamph(1st

Anniversary), Margaret Loughran, Mary McCaffrey, Lily Brennan, Sarah McCaughleyÂ Monday 2nd: Peter Hughes(1st  
Anniversary), John Murphy, Bridget Woolsey, Rosaleen Reynolds, Malachy McAlinden, John McAlinden, Jane McKeown,

Joe Grimss, Malachy CumbertonÂ Tuesday 3rd:Â William John Quinn, Winifred Kelly, Deceased Members Armagh Diocesan Clerical Benefit SocietyÂ Wednesday 4th:Â M.M. John (Jack) Hagan, Michael Breen, Annie Donnelly, Kathleen McGurgan, Neal Breen Thursday 5th:Â M.M. James Cullen, Gerald Byrne, Philomena Dunbar, Sarah Jordan, Edward FearonÂ Â Friday 6th:Â Richard McNally(1st Anniversary), Joseph Grimes, Eddie Grimes, Ronnie Magennis, Teresa Davidson, Joey Hanratty, Sarah Jane McCann, Margaret McNameeÂ Saturday 7th:Â Lily McMahon, Desmond McCleery, Jack Roberts

Benediction in St. Patrick's Church this evening at 7 p.m.

First Friday Notices:

Confessions - Thursday 5th

St. Patrick'sÂ Â 6 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

St. John'sÂ Â 7.30 p.m.

Masses - Friday 6th

St. Patrick'sÂ Â 10 a.m. (Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 10.30 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

St. John'sÂ Â 7 p.m.

The sick and housebound will be visited as normal.

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 2nd February Martin Barlow

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 2nd February 10 a.m. Peggy McKeever. 7 p.m. Aidan McCormack.

PALS - a meeting for all new and existing volunteers, Tuesday 3rd February after evening Mass in St. John's Meeting Room.

Francis Coll will be ordained deacon this Sunday in St. Patrick's Cathedral, for service in our Diocese. Keep him in your prayers.Â The Permanent Diaconate in the Archdiocese of Armagh - a CTS leaflet is available in the Churches and further information can be had from Fr. O'Dwyer or Fr. White.

St. Brigid, 1st February - renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. Born about 454, died 524. Her reputation spread to European countries. St. Brigid's Crosses will be blessed at Masses and devotions.

Monday 2nd - Presentation of the Lord, candles blessed at Masses.

Tuesday 3rd - St. Blaise - throats blessed at Masses

St. Agatha, Thursday 5th; St. Paul Miki, Friday 6th; St Mel, Saturday 7th.

World Day of the Sick - to mark this day the Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated at 7 p.m. next Sunday, 8th February, in St. John the Baptist Church.

Armagh Hospitalite Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Annual pilgrimage 12th - 17th May.Â A limited number of both Assisted Pilgrim and Pilgrim places are available. Â

Application forms for Assisted Pilgrim Places are available from Sacristy of both Churches.Â Completed forms must be returned before Wednesday 4th February.Â To book pilgrim places contact Bernie Hanratty on 38361870. Direct flight ex Belfast, full board, 700 Euro.Â Lourdes Committee meeting on Wednesday 4th February after 7 p.m. Mass in St. John the Baptist Church.

St. John's Accordion Band will play at 10 a.m. Mass in St. Patrick's Church next Sunday 8th February to mark 21 yrs. in existence.

Recent Baptisms:Â Caoimhe Mary O'Connor, Conor Aaron Reynolds, Sean Cathal Kerr

Year of Vocation: God chooses ordinary people to speak his message. Try to perceive the voice of God in those around you.Â If you hear God's voice, harden not your heart.Â Log on to [www.armaghvocations.org](http://www.armaghvocations.org) for vocation opportunities.

Ecumenical Prayer Service: thanks to all who helped with the refreshments last Friday, 23rd January at St. Patrick's Church.

I went to Mass in a different Parish last Sunday and didn't get a Parish Bulletin.Â How do I keep in touch with what's happening?Â If you have access to the internet you can view the Bulletin at the Parish website.Â [www.drumcreeparish.com](http://www.drumcreeparish.com)

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Offertory Collection

Sunday 25th January



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Reflection

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And his reputation spread

They talked about him,  
about the things he said and the way he said them,  
about the people he healed and their confidence in him,  
about his gentleness and compassion,  
and the loving way he talked about his Father.

Some people liked one quality, others  
another.  
Some liked his smile, others liked his touch.  
Some liked the new way of looking on  
religion  
and others liked the challenge in his message.  
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And some did not like him -  
the people who wanted to cheat the poor,  
or oppress people with harsh  
religion;  
and people were guided by evil,  
by greed or abuse or by sin,  
heard about him, spoke badly of him,  
cursed him, told lies about him.

Nobody was unmoved by this man.  
His voice reached everyone,  
his care for the poor, the lowly, the neglected,  
challenged the powerful and  
encouraged the weak.  
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What have you heard of Jesus?  
What attracts you?

Be glad that you love him,  
be glad that you follow him,  
be glad that that his reputation has spread to your life.