

10th May 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.

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

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10th May 2009

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mass Times:

St. John the Baptist

Saturday Â 7 p.m.

Sunday Â Â Â 8.30 & 11.30 a.m.

St. Patrick's

Sunday Â Â 10 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

St. John the Baptist

Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - Saturday Â 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

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

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament in St. John the Baptist Church today commencing at 4 p.m. and concluding with Benediction at 7 p.m.

Ministers of the Eucharist Â

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 11th May Maura Berry.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 11th May 10 a.m. Damian Russell.Â 7 p.m. Jerome Marley.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Cardinal Brady, 12th - 17th May.Â Internet users can join in some of the

ceremonies: Wednesday 8.30 a.m. International Mass; Thursday 8.45 a.m. Grotto Mass; Thursday 8 p.m. Torchlight Procession; Friday 4 p.m. Blessed Sacrament Procession. Â All time Irish time. Log on to lourdes-france.org. Â Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us. Â St. Bernadette pray for us. Â St. Patrick pray for us.

Visit to Shrine of St. Charles of Mount Argus: those interested in travelling should leave their name in the sacristy.

Adoration:Â Meeting of the Adoration Group on 20th May in St. John the Baptist meeting room after evening Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage:Â congratulations to Ciara Henderson and Liam Cullen who were married recently.

Pre - Exam Mass organised by the SHYNE Group on Friday 15th May at 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church.Â All welcome.

Recent Baptisms:Â Keely Mya Guy

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Feasts: Ss Nereus & Achilleus, St. Pancras Tuesday 12th; Our Lady of Fatima Wednesday 13th;

St. Matthias Thursday 14th; St. Carthage Friday 15th;

St. Brendan Saturday 16th.

Mission Awareness:Â Fr. Brendan Hoban, Columban Father, will speak at Masses next weekend and visit Parish schools.

Car-boot Sale 16th May St. John the Baptist Church car park. Cars Â£7; vans Â£10.Â Proceeds to support Archdiocesan Project with Habitat for Humanity taking place in Ethiopia during the summer.

Christian Aid Week - Envelopes for donations available in both Churches.

Elections to Parish Pastoral Council.

Dear Parishioners,

as you are aware elections take place this weekend. Last week nominations were received and some of those nominated have asked that their name not go forward for election.

At each Mass this weekend all Parishioners over 14years can vote. As you came into Mass you had an opportunity to vote - you can vote after Mass.

There are six elected places to fill on the Council.

VOTE EARLY BUT VOTE ONCE

Adoration:Â Meeting of the Adoration Group on Wednesday 20th May in St. John the Baptist meeting room after evening Mass.

Offertory Collection - Sunday 3rd

Total - Â£2455-95

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Rita Murray,Â Nan Reid, Gerald McKeown, Marie Pennington,Â Sharon McNamara, Marian Cunningham, Jim Speers, Edel Fox, John McCann, Joan Farnan

At This Time: Sr. M. Brigid Reynolds, Sr. M. Teresa Russell, Sr. M. Margaret Atkinson, John Daley, Michael Marley, Eileen Hagan, Eileen McCabe, Fernando Moniz

Sunday 10th: M.M. Winifred Henderson, Mary Jane Shevlin, Mary Josephine Murphy, Jeanie McParland, Stephen Toal, Catherine Quinn, Freitas &Â Soares Families Â

Monday 11th:Â M.M. Attracta Brannigan, John Lappin, Thomas Beattie

Tuesday 12th:Â Kathleen Grimley, Mary McMahan, John Connolly Â

Wednesday 13th:Â Ellen McConnell, Francis McShane, Fr. Peter Taggart

Thursday 14th: Paddy McGurk, John McCormac, Jim Cullen, Hugh Mulholland, James & Josephine Treanor, George Davidson, James Davidson Â

Friday 15th: Thomas Holland, Tony Taggart, Eilish Magee, Kathleen Flanagan, Aaron ReynoldsÂ Â

Saturday 16th: Sarah Foy, Hugo Gorman, Luke Haughian

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

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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.

Jesus, the true vine, promised that if we live in him we will produce abundantly.Â Look for the signs of new life in you.Â Find ways to nourish your relationship with Jesus.Â Â Contact Fr. Paddy Rushe 00353 42 93 34259.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 or Furniture shop tel. 38394219, in
Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road. 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.
CELEBRATIONS!

The Society invite parishioners to join with them in celebrating 10 yrs anniversary of the opening of the clothes shop on Monday 11th May 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Come along and enjoy the day with music, refreshments and beat the credit crunch with great bargains from the shop.

SPRED -Â WednesdayÂ in Drumcree Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.Â Enquiries to 38392568.

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Course in Armagh City Hotel as follows:-
 Wednesday 20th May, Wednesday 27th May and
 Wednesday 3rd June all 7 - 10 p.m.
 Attendance required on all three evenings.
 Couples are advised to book places on courses at least ten months before the wedding.

Bannside Development Centre: Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.Â English classes

Thursday 10 a.m.Â I.C.T. for beginners.Â Homework Club 3.15 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.Â Phone 38339916.

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'Finding God in Daily Life' public lecture, Prof. Richard R Gaillatrdetz, in St. Mary's College, Belfast Monday 11th May at 7.30pm All welcome.

U8 - U10 Inaugural GAA Tournament

To mark 125 years of the GAA Tir Na nOg are organising their first tournament for U 8's & U10's. Ten local teams with up to 300 children are taking part. It begins at 10 a.m. Sunday 17th May at Tir Na nOg pitch and will end at 3 p.m. with presentation in the clubrooms and concluding liturgy in St. John the Baptist Church. This will be a fun packed day for local children and parents and families are encouraged to attend to show support for their children.

Drumcree House of Health:Â Active Kidz programme (in conjunction with Club VO2).Â Reduces the risk of children becoming overweight. (free). Yoga every Tuesday 6.30 p.m. - 8 p.m. and Friday 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.Â For information call 38334522.

Voting in State elections - have you a vote or do you need a postal/absent vote? Contact Electoral Office in Banbridge.

Youth 2000 will be hosting a youth retreat in Dowdstown House, Dalgan Park, Navan, Co Meath from Friday 15th - Sunday 17th May. A big attendance (aged 16 - 35 yrs.) is expected at this donation only event with newcomers very welcome. Parental consent is required for under 18's - form available to download on Website. for more information contact Patrick 087 6982547 or Andrea on 087 0515402 or check out www.youth2000.ie

Dominican Nuns - Vocation discernment weekends - 19th - 21st June. Young women interested please contact Sr. Breda, Monastery of St. Catherine of Sienna, tel. 00353 419838524.

LOOKING FOR MORE MEANING IN LIFE?

Our Lady's School of Evangelisation, Knock, Co Mayo are now inviting applications for September 2009. The vision of the school is to empower young men and women (18yrs to 35yrs) for life and mission. It is a unique one year opportunity for any young person to experience during a career break or gap year. For more details log onto www.olseknock.com or tel: 00 353 94 93 88245.

Reflection

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I am the river, you are the water,
I am the mountain, you are the soil,
I am the love, you are the touch.

I am the mother, you are the child,
I am the fragrance, you are the rose;
we belong with him, and in him.

There is no river without water,
no mountain without soil,
no love without touch,
no mother without child,
no fragrance without a flower;

The risen Lord,
faithful promise of God to all of us,
is the source of all life.

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May we be grateful for the gift of life.

The risen Lord is the source of all love;
may we be grateful for the gift of love.

It is a continuous gift:
the vine gives life to the branches,
the river gives direction to the
water,
the touch gives the comfort of love,
the soil is enriched by the mountain,
the rose is made sweet by the
fragrance.

I am the vine, you are the branches.