10th April 2011

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

10th April 2011 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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
Monday 10am
Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.
St. Patrick's
Tuesday - 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 & 2nd Sunday - October - June

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. Burns 38332218 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Sacrament of Confirmation:Â Bishop Gerard Clifford will administer the Sacrament today at 3 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church.

Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 11th Teresa McCaffrey, Eddie McVeigh

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 11th - 10 a.m. Margaret Donovan. 7 p.m. Michael Dennison.

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What are doing for Lent? Scripture, My Life's Guide - a 5 week programme studying Sunday Gospel and its practical relevance to our lives will be held during Lent, continues Wednesdays at 7.45pm in the Pastoral Centre. Why not try this as Lenten prayer?

ALPHA: David and Miriam's group will continue their `Lenten Journey of Reflection' on Wednesday next, after evening Mass, in the Pastoral Centre.

Recent Baptisms: Â Ruby Jane Harvey

Feasts: Monday 11th St. Stanislaus; Wednesday 13th St. Martin I; Saturday 16th St. Bernadette Soubirous.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Thursday in Pastoral Centre.

Cardinal Varkey Vithayathil who died on 1st April was the head of the Syro-Malabar Church in India, some of whose members live among us. May he rest in peace.

Wanted â€" Your Old Photographs of Parish Life. As part of the new Parish Pastoral Centre we will be compiling a special montage of photographs of life in our Parish over the years. Have you any old [or even not so old] photographs that you can share? We will copy the photographs and return them in perfect condition â€" we promise. Have a hunt in your old photo albums and if you find anything interesting simply leave it in the sacristy. We would love your help with this project to add to the beauty of our centre.

Lough Derg Day Retreat - Saturday 21st May:

Bus leaves St. John's Car Park 7.30 a.m. sharp, returning 7.30 p.m. approx. If interested contact David 07759768878 or Peggy 02838333391. To confirm seat £20 deposit before May 10th. Total cost for day £35, to include return fare, tea/coffee/scones on arrival, lunch. Â

Parish envelopes for 2011/2012 are available for collection in Churches. Thanks to all who contribute to the upkeep of the Parish in this way.

Loughgall Parish invites Parishioners to `Our Lenten Journey to Easter.' Monday 11th Fr Bernard Thorne, you have called by name, empowering the Baptised in St Peter's PS, Collegeland; Tuesday 12th Sr Mercedes Coen, have you found your sacred space, what nourishes your soul in Annaghmore GFC Clubrooms; Wednesday 13th Mr Eoin Cumiskey, a personal story of hope in St Patrick's Church, Loughgall; Thursday 14th Fr Paschal McDonnell, do I like what God sees in me, Christ came to set me free in St Mary's PS, Maghery. All begin at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Person required immediately for school patrol crossing. Monday â€" Friday 2hours per day 8.30am â€" 9.30am and 3.00pm â⁴ 4.00pm Please contact Drumcree College for further details on: 028 38334725

Offertory Collection
Sunday 3rd £2468-24
Thanks to all who contributed
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Walk with Me - a Lenten journey of
prayer - books £1.
available in Churches - £1.

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Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased:Â Teddy O'Neill, Martin Hughes, Paddy Breen, Eddie Wilson, Fr. Brendan Sherry, Charlie Brown,

Cardinal Varkey Vithayathil, Â Louis McCann

At This Time: Denis McGall, Ita Wright, Johnny Hamill

Sunday 10th: Jim Creaney, Lisa Kelly, Winifred Henderson

Monday 11th:Â Patrick Thompson

Tuesday 12th:Â Jimmy Creaney, Arthur Williams, Catherine Davis, Michael Henderson, John James McCann, John Cullen

Wednesday 13th:Â Catherine McGuigan, Francis Austin, Brian Chambers

Thursday 14th:Â Patrick Hamill, Hugh Marley

Friday 15th: Francis Martin Joseph McDowell, Bridie Reihill, John Creaney

Saturday 16th: A Sheila Breen, Elizabeth Marley, Jim Corr

Anniversaries late for Bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on 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.

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St. Vincent De Paul Society

URGENTLY REQUIRED!! Ladies, Men's and Children's clothing.

With your help we are enabled to support out community, plus a small community in Ghana. 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.Â

Eucharistic Congress 2012 seek volunteers - for details see www.iec.2012.ie. Be involved in a life time opportunity.

The Legion of Mary celebrate their 90th anniversary in 2011. The local praesidium meets each Monday after evening Mass. New members welcome.

Bannside Development Centre:Â An exciting new project starting on Easter Wednesday 27th April from 7-9pm in the Centre, Recalling the history of St Mary's Hall. Have you a story to tell? Please come and join us for an evening of good craic and fond memories. Refreshments served. For more information contact Carol 38339916.

St. John's Accordion Orchestra: classes in music on Thursday 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist P.School. Anyone wishing to join please contact a committee member at the school on the evening.

Tir Na nOg GFC: Bingo every Tuesday 8.15 p.m. All support needed. Saturday 16th April - Dancing to Purple Hearts, 8 - late. Adm. £2.

St Mary's Boxing Club: enrolment and training every Thursday; 8-12years 7-8pm; 13-17years 8-9pm.

Oran Fold - Sheltered accommodation has apartments to let. To view phone Michelle on 38391918.

An Cumann Gaelach -Â Irish language classes Monday 6.15-7.30pm in Mayfair Business centre; Thursday 8.00-9.00pm Ashgrove Community Centre.

Ba mhór ag Réamonn Ó Muireadhaigh agus ag `Coiscéim' tú bheith i láthair i Leabharlann agus Cartlann Chuimhneacháin an Chairdinéil Tomás Ó Fiaich ar an Chéadaoin 13 Aibreán 2011 ag 8 p.m. nuair a sheolfaidh. Diarmaid Ó Doibhlin - FéilscrÃ-bhinn AnraÃ- Mhic Giolla Chomhaill. Eag. Réamonn Ó Muireadhaigh. (Msṛ Murray will also speak in English).

The Armagh GAA County Board will be hosting a seminar onór competitions at the Athletic Grounds Friday 15th April.30. The aim of the seminar is to increase participation from all GAA clubs in County Armagh to recruit extra adjudicators for the various competitions.

Midnight Bunny Walk in aid of Ulster Cancer Foundation, Friday 15th April at The Phoenix Bar, Water Street, Newry. 1 mile route starting at 12 midnight. Rebgistration £10 and children go free. Flashing bunny ears will be available on the night free of charge and every bunny who takes part will receive a goody bag.

St. Malachy's Hurling Club (in conjunction with Playing for the Future) - Multi Sports Easter Camp - April 27th & 28th. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.£5 per day. Open to boys and girls 5 - 12 yrs. Soccer, Gaelic, Rugby and Hurling. Qualified coaches. Register on day or contact V. McAleenan 07411001164 or T. McStravick 07522428394.

Reflection

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From death to life

What a way to receive great glory: to die!

Jesus paints a picture of death and life the ears of corn ripening colourfully in the air of God, these will be life-giving food - a miracle of God. And when the grain dies and falls into the earth, it multiplies, nourishes even more than before.

The glory of the grain of wheat begins when it's buried in clay, the glory of Jesus begins on the cross.

The glory of a person is in dying to the false self, the arrogant self, the grasping self, and rising in the love of God in truth, humility, sharing.

We rise and die each day as we are called forth in the resurrection of Jesus to show to people the victory of Jesus in love over hate, in reconciliation over bitterness, in faith over despair.

Lord Jesus, die in us, rise in us, that we in you may serve our Father.

Â PARISH -BE A PART OF IT OR BE APART FROM IT

A MINUTE IN EVERY HOUR! Â AN HOUR IN EVERY DAY! Â A DAY IN EVERY WEEK

THE JOY RULE THINK OF JESUS THINK OF OTHERS THINK OF YOURSELF Â

If you would like to contribute to the upkeep of the Parish using envelopes please complete and return the slip below. Place in collection basket or leave at either Parochial House.

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Old Address/Parish.

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