

## 27th November 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

27th November 2011

First Sunday of Advent

#### 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

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:

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. Sheehan 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

The new prayers and responses to the Mass come into effect today, First Sunday of Advent. There are leaflets available with the new responses for use during Mass. Parishioners are asked to use them and return them after Mass to the boxes provided.

#### First Friday Notices:

Confessions - Thursday 1st

St. Patrick's 6 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

St. John's 7.30 p.m.

Masses - Friday 2nd

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

St. John's 7 p.m.

Fr. O'Dwyer and Fr. Sheehan will visit the housebound.

#### Minister of the Eucharist - December

Vigil Patsy Lambe, Theresa McCaffrey, Paddy Gorman.Â 8.30 a.m. Margaret Marley, Catherine McCooe, Geraldine Lawless.Â 10 a.m. Ann Fleming, Maurice Hagan, Pat Devlin.Â 11.30 a.m. Patricia Halfpenny, Teresa Murphy, Mary Taggart, Roisin Kelly.Â St. Francis Mary Taggart.  
Rosemount Margaret Marley.  
St. John the Baptist, week beginning 28th Eddie McVeigh.

#### Ministry of The Word - December

Vigil Ursula Barlow.Â 8.30 a.m. Jerome Marley.Â 10 a.m. Ann Hamill & Margaret Donovan.Â 11.30 a.m. Niamh Marley.  
Week beginning 28th - 10 a.m. Sr. Mona Taggart.Â 7 p.m. Olivia McDonald.

Gift Programme continues next Friday with Mass at 7pm in St John the Baptist Church.Â Â

Trocaire Global Gift forms available in Churches.Â `Change someone's World.'

Feasts:Â Wednesday 30th St Andrew; Saturday 3rd St Francis Xavier.

Recent Baptisms: Sadeasha Hunt; Axel Amaral de Assis

Walk With Me - a journey of prayer for Advent and Christmastide - booklets available in Churches Â£1.

School Aid Romania - Coffee Morning in the Pastoral CentreÂ on Sunday 11th December after 8.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. Masses.Â All support welcome.

Bible Study Group based on the Advent readings will meet in the Pastoral Centre on Monday mornings during Advent 11am to 12.15pm starting Monday 28th November. All welcome.Â Tel: 38337753.

Knights of St. Columbanus, in conjunction with Stage Aid, present "Uncle Tommy's Wake" in St. John the Baptist Parish Pastoral Centre on Sunday December 4th at 8 p.m.Â Tickets Â£8, proceeds in aid of charity- available at Winnies, Costcutters, Litters Spar, Parkside OffSales.

Newry Hospice: you are invited to join us for coffee in Drumcree Pastoral Centre on Saturday 3rd December after evening Mass and also after all Masses on Sunday 4th December. Everyone is welcome to join us. `Together we can help others.'

Scotch Street Christmas Tree lights switch on; Thursday 1st December at 7 p.m.Â All welcome.

#### Offertory Collection

Sunday 20th - Â£2460-66

Thanks to all who contributed

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Pastoral Centre: Cafe Bethany open after  
10 a.m. Mass on Mondays

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Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased: Ita Rafferty, Patricia Forker, Eileen McCann, Liam Francis Little, Vera Fearon, Jeffrey Wright, Joey McAlinden, Nellie Toland

At This Time: Margaret & Charlie Campbell, Mary Donnelly, Patrick & Margaret Lavery

Sunday 27th: Sarah Murray, Rose McParland, James Reynolds, Joseph Livingstone, Joaquim Agostino, Pedro da Silva, Eruimia wong da SilvaÂ Â Monday 28th: Rosaleen Bagues, Paul Bagues, John Griffin, Ann Russell, Kevin Hueston, Brigid Kelly, Alda Castro & FamilyÂ Tuesday 29th: Daniel Toland, John Morgan, Patrick Aloysius Douglas, Ana Paula, Dec Members Armagh Diocesan Clerical Benefit SocietyÂ Â Wednesday 30th: Thomas McQuillan, Patrick John Shevlin, Antonio Ximenes & FamilyÂ Â Thursday 1st: Rose McNally, Catherine Blacker, Isabel MonitÂ Friday 2nd: M.M. Kathleen Hall, Michael Leonard, Mary Elizabeth Green, Patrick & Margaret McCann, John Connolly, Mary Mulholland, Margaret Hanratty, Orlando VictorÂ Â Saturday 3rd: M.M. Kathleen Creaney, M.M. Rory O'Connor, John McLaughlin, Zofia Pieszak, Kroenke Family, Alice Hagan, Franciso MascarenitasÂ Â Â Â

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

GOD IS â€

â€!.REACHING OUT â€! Â

Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â ...TO YOU

#### PASTORAL AREA MISSION

BALLYMORE AND MULLAGHBRACK,  
DRUMCREE, KILMORE, LOUGHGALL

Sunday 27th November â€“ Sunday 4th December

First Week of Advent

Â Â Â Â Â Reaching out â€“

SundayÂ Â Â Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mullavilly 7.30pm Â Â Â â€“to those in need of healing

MondayÂ Â Â St Patrickâ€™s Church,

Stonebridge 7.30pmÂ Â Â â€“to families in prayer

TuesdayÂ Â Â St Patrickâ€™s Church

Loughgall 7.30pmÂ Â Â â€“to those who have left home to live abroad

and their families at home

WednesdayÂ Â Â St Johnâ€™s Church

Tartaraghan 7.30pmÂ Â Â â€“to those coping with the effects of present day finances

ThursdayÂ Â Â Drumcree Pastoral Centre 8pm

Mass at 7pm

St John the Baptist ChurchÂ Â Â

â€“to brokenness and my spiritual journey

FridayÂ Â Â St John the Baptist Church,

Drumcree 7pmÂ Â Â â€“to our young people

SaturdayÂ Â Â St James Church,

Tandragee 6.30pmÂ Â Â â€“to care for our well-being and mental health

SundayÂ Â Â Mullaghbrack Hall,

Mass 11.30amÂ Â Â â€“to seek realities of hope

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.

#### Reflection

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Being faithful

Be faithful to God and God's presence in life.

Because of God there is always hope.

Everything is being created all the time:

the star you see is bright each night with new light,

the love you share with another grows stronger

and living friendship reaches deeper into the soul.

Every Christmas is a new creation,

and the old, old story is told again,

with new gifts, new carols,

to friends old and new,

among people who have always been part of life,

among people who are new this year,

and among people who are sharing

Christmas this year in the eternity of God.

All is new:

be faithful to hope,

be faithful to the future,

be faithful to God who is among us.

Among us like

the raindrop on the grass,

the warmth of winter sun,

the touch of a friend,

among us like a child,

vulnerable, new and eternal

like a child.

Be faithful in waiting,  
that God might always be new.  
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PARISH -  
BE A PART OF IT  
Â OR BE APART FROM IT

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

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

Knock Shrine - all-night vigil Wednesday 7th December. Coach Â£15 - bring a packed lunch. Details and booking contact Gabrielle at 87784964 or Grace 87784942

St. Vincent De Paul Society  
URGENTLY REQUIRED!!Â Ladies, Men's and Children's clothing.Â Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 orÂ Furniture shop tel. 38394219, Mayfair Business Centre.Â Monday - Friday 10am- 3pm.Â Saturday 10am - 1 pm. Â  
Â Â Â Â Â SELF HELP LINE - 38339639.Â Response within 48 hours.

Tir Na nOg: bingo every Tuesday 8.15pm All support needed.  
Club Lotto - underage players will be going door to door selling tickets.  
Please support.Â Sat. 26th Boo. Sat. 3rd December Bob's ur Uncle.Â Sat. 10th Snake Bite.Â Friday 16th Microlip (pay at door).  
Â Fri. 23rd  
Comedian Tim McGarry (from Hole in the Wall Gang) Ticket Â£5.

Bannside Development Centre:Â Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m.Â Â£1 per day.Â ICT Classes to be arranged.Â Gentle Exercise Classes to be arranged.Â Arts & Crafts Classes Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays 7 - 8.30 p.m.Â Workshop / Craft Shop open Tuesday - Saturday.Â Friends Cafe open every day.Â For more information contact Carol on 38339916.  
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ACCORD:Â Venue and dates for Marriage Preparation Courses:Â Course 1 - Quinn's Corner, 175 Ballygawley Road, Dungannon. Â

Tuesday 10th, 17th and 24th January 2012.Â The course runs for 3 weeks from 7 - 10 p.m.Â Course 2 - Same Venue.Â Tuesday 6th, 13th and

Oran Fold - apartment to let. If you are 55yrs or over and want to see the benefits of living in a fold property please call Michelle at 38391918 to arrange your appointment to view.

CRAIGAVON CEILE MOVED TO Drumcree Pastoral Centre, Garvaghy Road - Friday 9th December.Â Music by Long Note.

Make a Difference In The Lives of Others ..... and Change your Own Life Forever.Â Since 1960, Viatores Christi has aimed to respond to needs overseas and at home by giving people an opportunity to share their lives and skills with those in need.Â If you want to explore such a challenge, we offer a part time training programme to prepare you for working in a new environment and facilitate you in finding a suitable project.Â We need people from all disciplines, from teachers to electricians, doctors to administrators, farmers to childcare workers.Â If you are interested in learning more, please come along to our information and recruitment session in Newry on Saturday 3rd December from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre, St. Patrick's and St. Colman's Cathedral.Â For further information and/or to book your place phone 00353 1 8689986 or log on to [www.viatoreschristi.com](http://www.viatoreschristi.com)

Malachi Cush - Christmas Carols & Reflections - Friday 16th

December at 8 p.m. SHARP in St. Patrick's Church, Keady.Â Admission by ticket only Â£10 - contact 37531242.

ACCORD:Â pre-marriage courses must be booked at least 10 months before the wedding date.Â Bookings to be made through 1 Tavanagh Avenue, Portadown. Phone 38334781.