

12th February 2012

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

12th February 2012

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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.

Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 13th Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 13th - 10 a.m. Michael Sherry. 7 p.m. Ursula Barlow.

Recent Baptisms: Shannon Mary Green, Kacper Kevin Skwara, Michal Patryk

Kazmuchia, Noah Creaney

Feasts: Tuesday 14th Ss. Cyril & Methodius; Valentine; Friday 17th St. Fintan.

SHYNE Programme for those preparing for Confirmation will continue with Mass at 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church on Thursday 16th February. Those wishing to take part in the fun trip the following week should bring their consent forms to Mass.

Due to preparations for the SHYNE Programme Mass, exposition of The Blessed Sacrament will not take place next Thursday.

Parish Pastoral Council - meeting on Thursday 16th after evening Mass.

Parish Mission - 10th - 16th March led by St. Patrick's Community.

Lent: What are you doing?

What will our Parish look like in five years time?

Current Reality/Challenges and Possibilities?

On Tuesday 21st February in Drumcree Pastoral Centre at 7.30 p.m. there will be an open gathering for all interested parishioners on this topic. It is one that should concern all of us. Some of the issues to be discussed are Church attendances and levels of Sacramental practice, the declining number of priests/religious and the implications of Baptism and the responsibility of the lay faithful.

This is an important gathering and the results from these engagements across the Diocese will help to shape the pastoral plan for the next few years.

The Parishes of the Pastoral Area will also be attending.

Book Shop: Opening hours this week are as follows:

Saturday 6-8.30pm; Sunday 9 am to 1 pm; Monday 10.30 am to 12 noon; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 6 - 8.30 pm. Gifts for Confirmation and First Communion now available.

The Alliance of Filipino Communities in Portadown will speak at Masses next weekend and have a collection for the victims of the recent typhoon in the Philippines.

Lough Derg - A Day of Friendship & Prayer - Ash Wednesday 22nd February. Guest speaker: Brother David Jardine. Boats run from 10:30am. Suggested donation £20 includes refreshments on arrival and light lunch. Departure 2:30pm. Book: telephone 00 353 71 9861518

'Can I stay in the Catholic Church?' is a question faced by many Catholics in the light of the child abuse crisis. The book is by Fr Brian Lennon, Jesuit priest. He will discuss his book in the Synod Hall, Armagh on Thursday 23rd February at 8.15pm. There will be time for feedback. So, if you have concerns about the Church and would like to discuss them, please come. All are welcome!

Offertory Collection

Sunday 5th - £2601-85

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: Rosaleen McBride, Ildonsu Victor, Susan Brankin, Pat Quinn, Mary Martin

At This Time: Mickey Maguire, Denis O'Carroll, Danny Hughes, Daniel Lynn, John Walsh, Patrick McGrath

Sunday 12th: Dymrna Stuart(1st Anniversary), Geordie & Theresa McCann, Barry O'Neill, Pat Hamill, Patrick Grimes, Rose Lappin, Agostinha & Engracia Lopes, Lucrecia Monteiro, Bastao Vasconcelos, Mateus Eco, Maria Ribeiro, Luis & Maria Corbato, Ezequil Monteiro. Monday 13th: William Carvill, Peggy Sloan

Tuesday 14th: Caroline Byrne, Rosina Williamson, Pat Travers, William Shanks, Sarah Breen. Wednesday 15th: May Sloan, Thomas Oliver, Lyda Murphy, Elizabeth Walsh, Laurence Cullen, Peter Corrigan.

Thursday 16th: M.M. Margaret Robinson, Agnes McCullaugh, Aidan Donnelly, Aloysius Tennyson, Nellie Halfpenny. Friday 17th: Gertie Madden(1st Anniversary), Cathy Connolly, Imelda Austin, Kathleen Lynn, Agnes McQuade. Saturday 18th: Theresa O'Dwyer, Brigid Murray, Fr. Desmond Cush, Zofia Pokorna & Family, Lily Grimley, Johnny McGurgan, Tony Metcalfe.

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!!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.

Tea Dance Thursday 16th February in Tir Na nOg.Â Ticket Â£3

available from shop in Mayfair Centre.

Tir Na nOg:Â Senior Training (men) Tuesday 8 p.m. Club VO2.

Friday 7 p.m. Rugby Club.Â Sunday 11 a.m. Public Park. Â

Ladies TuesdayÂ 6.30 p.m. at Club.Â Friday 6.50 p.m. Club VO2. Â

Bingo every Tuesday 8 pm All support needed also Club Lotto. Â

Sat. 11th Feb. Music by Traxmix.Â No cover charge.

St. Mary's A.B.C. (Boxing Club): Â

Training Thursday 8 - 12 yrs. old 7 - 8 p.m.Â 13 yrs plus 8 - 9 p.m.

ACCORD is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year.Â Former ACCORD members are invited to celebrate with us at our 50th Anniversary Mass on Sunday 4th March at 11.30 a.m. in St. Malachy's Church, Belfast.Â Please call 90233002 for further details.

Bannside Development Centre:Â Homework Club Monday & Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m.Â Â£1 per day. Crafts Classes Tue., Wed. 7 - 8.30 p.m.Â Recalling the history of St. Mary's Hall - contact Ann 38339916.Â Writing your life history - contact Ann.

Orchard Community Group Flower Arranging Classes in the Pastoral Centre, Drumcree on Mondays at 7.30 p.m.Â For information contact Maria on 38891454 or 07743580701

THANKS!Â Holy Ghost Missions thank all who continue to contribute to the mite boxes in Costcutters and McCracken Spar. Amount raised Â£305.

St. John the Baptist P.S. PTA - Fashion Show on Friday 17th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre.Â Ticket Â£5 (includes light refreshments).Â Tickets available from school.Â Phone 38336211.

The Pioneers we are making a special effort to promote a short-term pledge of abstinence from alcohol for the duration of Lent for the well-being of others.

Ashgrove Community Centre: Â

Monday -Â 5 - 6 p.m. Indoor Football (Junior 7 - 14 yrs.). Â

6 - 7 p.m. Street Dance Class (5 - 11yrs.)Â 7 - 8 p.m. Circuits

Exercise Class.Â Tuesday 12 - 2 p.m. Seniors Luncheon Club.Â 5.30 - 6.30 p.m. & 7.30 - 9 p.m. Slimming World.Â

Wednesday 10 a.m. - noon Housing Executive Advice.Â 2 - 3.30 p.m. Ballyoran Senior

Citizens Club.Â Thursday 12 noon - 2 p.m. Seniors Luncheon Club.Â 7.30 - 9 p.m. St. Malachy's Indoor Bowling Club.Â 8 -

9 p.m. Irish Language Class.Â Friday Irish Dancing School 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.Â For bookings etc contact Chris Cassidy 028 38 331650 or 07912389509.

Drumcree College:Â Linda May's Dance Class - every Tuesday 4 - 8 yrs 5 - 6 p.m.Â 9 - 16 yrs 6 - 7 p.m.

9th March, 8 p.m. - 3 Priests in St. Patrick's Cathedral.Â Ticket Â£15 from Armagh Tourist Information Centre, 028 37521800.

15th March, 7.30 p.m. - Irish Stew Night with the Bards of Armagh in the Navan Centre.Â Ticket Â£10 available from Tourist Information Centre.

Ballyoran Community Association and all Community Groups.Â All are invited to attend an open meeting in Ashgrove Centre on Wednesday 22nd February at 7 p.m.Â Come along and discuss any problems e.g. benefits housing etc, grants or refurbishments.Â Reps from the various relevant bodies will attend.Â For more information contact Yvonne on 0791989114.

If you have moved to the Parish or changed address within the past year and would like to contribute to the upkeep of the Parish, using envelopes, please complete the slip below.Â Place in collection basket or leave at Parochial House, 15 Moy Road.Â Thank you.

Name.....

Address.....

Old Address/Parish.....

Reflection

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Rejected by many, accepted by
Jesus

A person rejected in society
came to Jesus
and openly knelt before him to be healed,
the leper was an outcast;
people feared he would contaminate them.

This illness was a way of defining him;
and then he was put out of sight.

Labels for people define them and narrow them.
We don't want to be labelled.

Maybe we label people out of fear,
or for a quiet life.
If we think they are different from us,
we don't have to deal with them.

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Jesus sees the whole person,
not any single part of the personality.

And Jesus was so compassionate, so open
that people couldn't take it,
and he stayed outside the town,
the place where rejected people live.

He was at home there
because he himself was rejected by his own;
he was at home there,
because he touched those people with love;
he is always at home with love.

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PARISH -
BE A PART OF IT
Â 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