

# 5th August 2007

PARISH OF DRUMCREE

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Liturgy of the Word

Opening Prayer

Father of everlasting goodness,  
our origin and guide,  
be close to us  
and hear the prayers of all who praise you.Â Forgive our sins and restore us to life.Â Keep us safe in your love.

First Reading:Â Â Ecclesiastes. 1:2;2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says.Â Vanity of vanities.Â All is vanity!  
Â For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all.Â This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun?Â What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless night?Â This, too, is vanity.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:Â Â Ps. 89

R.Â O Lord, you have been our refuge  
Â from one generation to the next.

Second Reading:Â Col.Â 3:1-5.9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.Â Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God.Â But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man.Â There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel:Â LukeÂ A man in the crowd said to Jesus, "Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.â€•â€œMy friend," he replied, "who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?" Then he said to them, "Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs."  
Â Then he told them a parable: "There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, 'What am I to do?Â I have not enough room to store my crops.' Then he said, 'This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.' But God said to him, 'Fool!Â This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?' So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## ANNIVERSARIES

RECENTLY DECEASED:Â Bronagh Lappin, Shay Day, Votatus Valencius, Mary McNeil, Annie Fee, Kathleen Marley, Jim McVeigh, Peter Keeley

## AT THIS TIME: Â

SUNDAY 5th:-Â Mamie Hamill, Rose Faloon, Patrick Mulholland, Frank Devlin,, Patrick Kelly, Felix John Hughes, George White

MONDAY 6th:-Â Mary McParland, Lily McGibbon, Elizabeth Tiffney, Francis Brady

TUESDAY 7th:-Â Â Michael Rowney, Patsy Corrigan, Frances Oâ€™Neill

WEDNESDAY 8th:-Â Annie McCabe, Annie Greer, John Holland, Anne Oâ€™Hanlon, Ana Maria Xavier do Rego, Filomena Miguel Soares, Vanessa de Araujo, Margaret Farrell, Finbar Kelly

THURSDAY 9th:-Â Aidan Cullen, Catherine Murphy

FRIDAY 10th:-Â Eileen Hendron(1st Anniversary), Frank Laverty, Annie Holland

SATURDAY 11th:- M.M. David Kearns,  
Margaret Lavery

## Church Notices

## Sacrament ofÂ Reconciliation

Saturday

St. Patrickâ€™sÂ Â Â 12.30 - 1.15 p.m.

St. Johnâ€™sÂ Â Â 6.15 - 6.45 p.m.

Baptism: Next Baptisms Saturday 11th AugustÂ in St. Johnâ€™s Church at 5 p.m.Â Pre-baptismal meeting in St. Johnâ€™s P after evening Mass.Â Â Recent Baptisms:-Â Â Aine Clare Litter, Aisling Katie Trainor, Ailis Mae Millar, Saxielle Lila Costa McKernan, Aoibheann Louise McConville, Paul Scott Mayne, Daire Neil Creaney, Jake Bowman, Roahn Francis Xavier Hyde, Thomas Bernard Gaynor, Caolan Gavin Creaney

## Offertory Collection

Â 8th July - Â£2285-45

15th July - Â£2367-55

22nd July - Â£2682-20

29th July - Â£2340-50

Thanks to all who contributed

Day of Prayer and Intercession for Priests with Sr. Briege McKenna, OSC, at Knock on Monday 13th August.Â Bus fare Â£13, booking essential.Â Details and booking contact Marie 38851517, Gabrielle 87784964.

LOUGH DERG:Â 3 Day PilgrimageÂ any day to Monday 13th August.Â Pilgrims must be at least 15 years of age, in normal good health and able to walk and kneel unaided.Â They must fast from midnight prior to arrival.Â Boats available from 11 a.m. toÂ 3 p.m. daily.Â Cost Â£32, includes boat fare and accommodation.

Quiet Days - 9th May - 5th September:Â Arrive 10 a.m., departure 4 p.m.Â Cost Â£15, includes boat fare and lunch.Â Reservations essential.

One Day Retreats: Aug.18,19,20,21,

22,25,26, 27,28,29.Â Sept. 1,2,3,4,8,

10,11,12,15,16,17,18,19,22,23.Â The retreats are not suited to children.Â Numbers limited so advance booking is essential.

Each retreat begins at 10 a.m. and ends at approx. 5 p.m.Â Cost Â£18 includes boat fare and lunch.Â Reservations essential.Â For bookings tel. 00353 71 9861518.

## Ministers of The Eucharist

Aug. - VigilÂ Paddy Gorman, Miriam Loftus, Bernadette Breen.Â 8.30 a.m.Â Catherine McCooe, Thomas McCooe. Â

10 a.m. - Winnie Breen, Ann Marie Hamill, Madeline Oâ€™Neill. Â

11.30 a.m. -Patricia Halfpenny, Rosaleen Hamill, Nicola Fay, Bernie Mallon.

Grange: Eithne McAtarsney.

St. Francis: Madeline Oâ€™Neill.

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 7th Aug. Mary McAlinden.

## Ministry of the Word - Aug.

VigilÂ Â Â Ursula Barlow

8.30 a.m. Â Â Â Julia Lawless

10 a.m.Â Â Â Â Â Damien Russell

Â David Fleming

11.30 a.m. Jerome Marley

Week beginning 6th Aug, 10 a.m. Mass, Tommy Bradley.

7.30 p.m. Michael Dennison. Â

Useful Numbers:Â Fr. Oâ€™Dwyer - 38350610

Fr. White - 38332218

Parish Mobile: to contact the Priest on Duty or for emergencies, contact 07841101850.

Children are always welcome in our Churches to Masses and other liturgies. Parents and other adults who accompany children to Church are asked to keep children under reasonable control so as not to be a distraction to others. All Parishioners and visitors to the Churches have a responsibility to keep a prayerful atmosphere at all times.

St. John the Baptist Church - Altar Society: Aug. Rota - Team 3.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times. Collection can be arranged. Contact the shop. Clothes shop and Furniture shop in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road, tel. 38393898. Opening Hours: Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

URGENTLY REQUIRED!!! - MEN'S CLOTHING.

Senior Citizen Outing and Social Evening - Wednesday 22nd August. Tickets available in St. Vincent De Paul Shop, £2 each. (Tickets limited)

Legion of Mary: Meeting every Monday evening after Novena Mass in St. Patrick's Church. New members always welcome. Any enquiries please contact Lee Walters 028 38341496.

Thanks to members of Knights of St. Columbanus and Parishioners and their families who have begun cleaning the windows of St. John the Baptist Church.

The car park at St. John the Baptist Church is being resurfaced.

This work will take approx. two weeks to complete. We apologise for any inconvenience this will cause and ask parishioners to exercise care near the car park.

To have or to be

The shop window is like a mirror;  
we look into it and see something  
which we want to possess or buy.  
Different things attract different people.  
We can almost see ourselves in some of the showpieces -  
buy something and we'll appear successful,  
buy something else and we may be popular,  
something else and we'll look stunning,  
something else and we'll be one of the in-group.

Mirrors of possessiveness,  
being caught by the attraction of what we might own  
and of being looked up to for what we have.

Jesus's story today is about a man who stored it all up,  
and then found he had too much to bring with him,  
wherever the future might call him.  
He was rich in the sight of the world,  
and impoverished in the sight of God.

There's a transparency about us all  
when we are with God.  
All are equally loved in the eyes of God,  
just for who each person is,  
not for where we live,  
or for who our friends are,  
or for a youthful body or expert mind.

Loved and valued for who we are,  
and how we want to love and care for others,  
and how we want to contribute to the world.

All are loved,  
and all can make some contribution  
to the betterment of the world,

by how we love and give to others.

When we give in love  
we lose nothing.  
We gain and so  
we are richer  
in the sight of God.

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St. John's Independent Accordion Band:Â Classes in music and drumming on Thursdays, 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School.Â Anyone wishing to join contact a committee member at the school on the evening.

McArts's Crafts:Â Vocational Training Unit for Adults with a Learning Disability, Unit H, Mayfair Business Centre.Â McArts's Crafts can offer interested trainees a variety of work activities, experiences and skills within a creative and supported working environment.Â Contact Eithne for further information 38339119.

GAMBLING:Â Is Gambling affecting your home life, work life, or reputation?Â Contact the local GA helpline on 07926170921.

Na'scoil na Banna:Â If you wish your child to be taught through the medium of Irish there are places available at Na'scoil na Banna.Â Contact Shileen 02838 391243. Â

Ballyoran Over 50 Club:Â Every Wednesday 2 - 3 p.m. in Ashgrove Community Centre.

St. Mary's Youth Centre:Â Visit the Centre's web-site for further information at [www.stmarysync.org](http://www.stmarysync.org)

Drumcree House of Health - Another 10 week weigh in has started.Â Every Monday 11 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. or 7 p.m. - 7.45 p.m.Â A men only weigh in each Monday 7.45 p.m. - 8.15 p.m.

ASHGROVE PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP:

Now enrolling for 2007/2008 year.Â For further details contact Catherine 07849599813.

St. John the Baptist P.S. - School uniforms available Monday 6th - Thursday 9th August 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.Â Uniforms can be exchanged Tuesday and Wednesday 28th and 29th August.

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BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP: Â

Bannside Scribblers, Monday 7 - 9 p.m.Â Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m.

ICT for beginners.Â Contact Carol for further information.

HOMEWORK CLUB: VOLUNTEER NEEDED for September to supervise Homework Club.Â Homework ClubÂ takes place Monday - Thursday, 3.30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Contact Phyllis or Carol 38339916.

Cafe Lisboa - authentic Portugese and local food.Â Open Monday - Saturday 9.30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

DRUMCREE COLLEGE:Â Social Dance Lessons continue in Drumcree College.Â Swing Jive lessonsÂ Wednesday 8 p.m.Â Â£2-50 per night.Â For more information phone 38337745.

CEILI CLASSES -Â Drumcree College Wednesday 8 p.m. - 9 p.m.Â (James Murphy Tutor) Â£2-50 per week.Â Everyone welcome.

Attend the two classes above and only pay Â£2-50!!

WANTED!Â old/used greeting cards for craft classes.Â Please leave in office at Drumcree College.

Tir Na nOg GFC:Â Bingo every Tuesday 8.30 p.m.Â The bigger the crowd the bigger the prizes.Â Support the Club Lotto.

Pilgrimage to Santiago (The Way of St. James) -

9 nights, 13th - 22nd Sept.Â E1300 per person.Â Flights from Dublin, coach throughout.Â Further information and booking phone P. McConville 38891247.

15 day Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni, Loreto, Venice, Padua and many other shrines.Â Departing August 8th.Â Phone 00353 57 9355050, mornings only.