

21st October 2007

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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Sunday 21st October 2007

Mission Sunday

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

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

Tuesday - Friday 7.30 p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - Saturday 10 a.m.

Monday 7.30 p.m. (Novena -Miraculous Medal)

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. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

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Lately deceased: Francis Grimes, Mary McConnell, Brian Henry

At This Time: Mary Ward, Mary Marley.

Sunday 21st: M.M. Thomas McCooe, Lucy Reynolds, Cahal McNally, William James Murphy, Gerard Donlon(Jnr), Margaret Connolly, Christopher O'Connor.

Monday 22nd: Oliver Smyth(1st Anniversary), Annie Hyde, Ann Douglas, Jacqueline Murray, Michael Marley, Roseann Smith,

James McParland, Michael McParland, Patrick Fearon, Annie Steele

Tuesday 23rd: Malachy Halfpenny, Vincent Litter

Wednesday 24th: Eileen Harney.

Thursday 25th: Colm Boyle, Kenny Totton, Mary Ann Campbell, Josephine Mitchell, Lizzy Crossey, Thomas McNiece.

Friday 26th: Delphine McLoughlin, Mary Ann Pask, , William Lavery, John McCann, Rose Beattie, Edward Cullen, Mary Connolly, Patrick Robinson.
 Saturday 27th: Oliver Brown.

Friday 2nd November: St. John the Baptist Church 7.30 p.m. Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. All who have suffered a bereavement are welcome, but a special invitation is extended to those who have lost loved ones during the past twelve months. Red candles dedicated to their memory will burn in the Sanctuary during the Mass; afterwards they may be placed on the grave or taken home. Blank List of The Dead sheets are available and it is suggested that completed lists are placed in a basket provided for this purpose on Sunday 28th October. The lists will remain on the altar throughout the month of November.

New Cardinal: we rejoice in the honour bestowed upon our Archbishop, Sean Brady by Pope Benedict. The Consistory (at which Archbishop Brady will be created a Cardinal) will be held in Rome on Saturday 24th November. May God continue to bless our Cardinal-designate Sean Brady with health and guidance.

Devotions this Sunday, 21st October, will be centred in the Synod Hall at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh. Fr. Tony Mullen O.P. will speak about and pray The Rosary, beginning at 3 p.m. All welcome, especially during the October, month of The Rosary.

English/Polish Mass next Sunday at 11.30 a.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. Prayers, Readings and Sermon in both languages.

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 23rd October Paddy Gorman.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 22nd October, 10 a.m. Tommy Bradley. 7.30 p.m. Rory Judge.

Recent Baptisms: Patricia Sledz, Catriona Jayne McGeown

WEDDINGS 2008: Couples who have booked weddings for next year are asked to confirm date, Church and time by contacting one of the priests.

Enrich Your Marriage: Marriage Encounter is a weekend away for married couples of all ages with a stable relationship. Couples explore, in complete privacy, how to come to a deeper mutual understanding of each other. Next weekend 2nd - 4th November, Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry. Phone 90626503 or www.marriageencounterireland.com

URGENT PRAYER ALERT - Precious Life has called for three days of prayer and fasting for a strong pro-life vote in the N.I. Assembly supporting a motion against abortion. The motion opposing guidelines issued by the Dept. of Health is expected to be debated on 22nd/23rd October. Please offer up your Masses, Rosaries and sacrifices on 21st, 22nd and 23rd for the success of this motion.

Servite Priory, Benburb: Healing Service, Saturday 3rd November, prayers and talks begin 2 p.m. concludes with Mass.

October Dues: Fr. O'Dwyer and Fr. White thank you for your generosity.

Reflection

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Justice for his chosen ones

Anything done in the cause of justice
 and in the name of Jesus Christ
 will bear fruit in plenty.

Our world suffers much injustice
 and our heart pains
 when we hear of homeless children,
 when we see lines of refugees on our screens,
 when we pass someone destitute looking for money,

and our heart pains with something of the pain of Jesus.

We wonder what one person can do?

The call of Jesus spurs us on:
to know that what we do is
one person's effort to
make a more just society,
feed some people who need our help,
educate more widely and care for the sick,
and look after the chosen ones of God.

The path towards justice is
blocked with obstacles of
greed, self-interest, lack of care
and we want to plant that path
with generosity, compassion
and care.

For the Lord looks on us
and at the needs of his people
and wants there to be faith on earth
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If our faith is without care for the needy
it is a watered down faith
and is incomplete.
In the strengthening of our desires
and work
for the justice of Jesus
our faith in Jesus grows and is
strengthened.

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Parish & Community Notices

When submitting notices for the bulletin please include a contact name and telephone number. Â
Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

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

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

SPRED Group - Â Wednesday Â in Drumcree Community Centre, 7.30 p.m. Â Enquiries ph. 38392568.

ARE YOU HAVING DIFFICULTIES IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP? SKILLED COUNSELLORS CAN HELP YOU. Â CALL
ACCORD - ph. 38334781.

BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP: Â Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m. English/ ICT for
beginners. October - TADI (talking about tough issues) and Bill of Rights. Â November - Know Yourself & Your
Neighbour. Â Contact Phyllis for further information. Â 38339916. Â Volunteers needed to supervise Homework Club.

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.

St. John's Accordion Band. Â Lessons in accordion, percussion and keyboard Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist
School. Â All ages welcome.

St. John the Baptist P.S. - Star Man - Angels of Hope Appeal

One of our past pupils (Kathy O'Neill) is running the New York Marathon for Angels of Hope. We ask parents and families for your usual generosity for this appeal.

St. John's Scouts: A Meeting in the Scout Den, Moy Road on Monday 22nd October, 7.30 p.m. for any children interested in joining the Scouts or Ventures. Scouts - Monday 7 - 9 p.m. - Cubs Tuesday 7 - 8.30 p.m. - Beavers Wednesday 7 - 8.30 p.m. New members always welcome.

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT "Weekly" Meditation on Monday at 7.30 p.m. at 103 Thomas St. Tai Chi classes Tuesday 8 p.m. and Thursday 11 a.m. in Committee Room of Cascades Leisure Centre. Information nights for HEALING AND EMPOWERING YOUR INNER CHILD Wednesday 17th or Thursday 18th October. Come to 103 Thomas Street and find out if this programme is for you. For information and to register call Sr. Brigid 38332220.

African Missions, Dromantine Presents: October 29th, 8 p.m. Concert Starring Philomena Begley, Aiden Quinn, Gene Fitzpatrick, Malachi Cush, Rosemary Woods, Conor "Singing Brickie" and Dromantine Priests with Country Harmony. October 20th, 8 p.m. - Concert Starring Susan McCann, Garry Gamble Tom O'Rourke, Conor "Singing Brickie", Sharon Larkin, Kenny Archer, and Dromantine Priests with Country Harmony. Tickets £10 per concert. Contact Dromantine 30821224. All proceeds go directly to Projects in Africa.

Craigavon Marie Curie Fundraising Group thank all who supported their recent Table Quiz. Amount raised was £900.

Drumcree House of Health: Hill Walking, Sunday 28th October. Bus leaves Drumcree Community Centre 10 a.m. returns approx 6 p.m.

Positive Thinking Course - 6 weekly workshops starting Tuesday 6th November 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Still running - Salsa Exercise every Tuesday 8.30 p.m. (£1). Weigh in - every Monday 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Yoga - every Wednesday 11 a.m. (£3).

ULSTER PROJECTS DELAWARE, HUTCHINSON AND McPHERSON soon recruiting 11 and 12 year Students. More information to follow.