

3rd February 2008

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

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Fourth 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

Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - 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.

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

Requiescat In Pace

Lately deceased: Charlie Hendron, Annie McCullough, Mary Brown, James McCallan, Peter Loughran, Gerard Lyttle, Thomas Lamph

At This Time: Rosaleen Reynolds, Stephen McVeigh, Margaret Loughran, John McAlinden, Mary Monaghan, Alice Tate, Jose Pereira Da Silva, Silvina Pereira

Sunday 3rd: Winifred Kelly, Ellen McNiece, William John Quinn.

Monday 4th: Neal Breen, Michael Breen, Annie Donnelly, Kathleen McGurgan, Joey Grimes.

Tuesday 5th: M.M. Nora Rooney, Gerald Byrne, Philomena Dunbar.

Wednesday 6th: Teresa Davidson, Joseph Grimes, Eddie Grimes, Bill Creaney, Joey Hanratty, Margaret McNamee, Patrick Smyth, Ronnie Magennis, Sarah Jane McCann, Winifred Cullen.

Thursday 7th: Matthew McCarthy, Margaret Murphy, Dessie Heaney, Lily McMahan, John Roberts, Joseph McDonald, Mary Creaney.

Friday 8th: Elsie McCourt, R.M. Cullen, Madeline Dunbar.

Saturday 9th: Elizabeth Turley, Mary Gribbon, Margaret Harrison, Vincent Cullen,

James Dunbar.

Benediction in St. Patrick's this evening at 7 p.m. Throats will be blessed during Devotions to mark the feast of St. Blaise.

Day of Prayer for Temperance - Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Dungannon, today at 3 p.m. organised by PTAA.

Ash Wednesday, 6th February, Day of Fast & Abstinence. Masses:-St, John the Baptist - 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. 7 p.m.
St. Patrick's - 10 a.m.
Trocaire Boxes available in Churches.

Walk With Me - A Lenten Journey of Prayer - books available in Churches, £1.

Our Lady of Lourdes 1858 - 11th February 2008.
To mark 150 years since the first apparition we will hold a Triduum of Prayer:
Saturday 9th, Mass 10 a.m. St. Patrick's - St. Bernadette
Sunday 10th, Anointing of the Sick 4 p.m. St. John the Baptist during Exposition.
Monday 11th, 7 p.m. Novena, St. John the Baptist Church, procession to and blessing of Grotto.

Ministers of the Eucharist:
St. John the Baptist, week beginning 4th February, Paddy Gorman.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 4th February, 10 a.m. Aidan McCormack,
7 p.m. Rory Judge.

First Communion Programme: children along with their parents and families will attend Mass next weekend:
Ballyoran CPS - Saturday 9th at 7 p.m.
Presentation PS - Sunday 10th at 10 a.m.
St. John the Baptist & Bunscoil - Sunday 10th at 11.30 a.m.

Recent Baptisms: Jamie Andrew McGeown, Darragh Magee

Liturgy Group meeting Tuesday 5th February, 7.30 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Meeting Room.

New Hall Committee meeting Wednesday 6th February 7.45 p.m. in St. John the Baptist meeting room.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Afternoon of Prayer in Dromantine on Sunday 2nd March.

Sunday 27th January
£2549-70
Thanks to all who contributed

If you have moved house within the Parish in the past 12 - 18 months, or recently moved to the Parish, please complete and return the slip below. Place in collection basket or leave at either parochial house.

Name

New Address.....

Old Address.....

Tel. No.

Reflection
You are blessed

Strange that Jesus says that we are blessed
if we are poor, gentle, mourning,
merciful, peacemakers.
Others might say we are blessed

if we are rich, tough and
comfortable,
and looking for our own rights
and desserts.

There is a blessing in all that he says:
not an immediate happiness nor
prosperity,
but a blessing comes from God
in the times when we are weak
vulnerable , broken.

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The bread of the Eucharist is bread broken and shared,
the blessing of God is mourning
accepted and shared;
the blessing of God is mercy
asked and given
so that the bread of the Eucharist
is the bread of forgiveness.
and the blessing of God fills the
places of the soul
where I am poor, lost, gentle,
and willing to let go of the
grudges of life
for the life and resurrection
of Jesus.

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The closed fist cannot receive
the gifts of life;
help us Lord, to be open
in our weakness and our need,
in our mourning and our bitterness
to the blessings you give
when we are disheartened.

Like in the Eucharist,
may we know your power and presence
in our broken dreams,
our broken relationships,
and rise to new strength within
ourselves,
blessed as we are in the bread of life.

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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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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.

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

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Courses.Â Due to increasing demand ACCORD are advising couples to book their
place at least ten months before the wedding.Â Marriage Preparation courses are now available for viewing on the
website address www.accordni.com Next courses - March 5th and 8th; May 14th and 17th in Synod Hall, Armagh.

BANNSIDE COMMUNITY GROUP:Â Â Arts & Crafts, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 7 - 8.30 p.m. English/ ICT for
beginners.Â 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.
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St. Johnâ€™s Accordion Band.Â Lessons in accordion, percussion and keyboard Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School.Â All ages welcome. Â

PRESENTATION SISTERS KOINONIA PROJECT -Â programmes at 103 Thomas Street. MEDITATION - No Meditation session on Monday 4th February, will resume 11th February.Â Â Â HEALING AND EMPOWERING YOUR INNER CHILD on Wednesday 9th January to 26th February 7.30 p.m. Tâ€™AI CHI CHIH at Cascades Leisure Centre on Thursdays 10th January to 27th February 11am. Call Sr. Brigid KavanaghÂ 38332220 to register and for further information.

Naiscoil Na Banna (Irish Language Pre School): If you have a child aged 2+ and are interested in Irish Medium Education contact Shileen at the Naiscoil, 38391243.

Drumcree Community Centre:Â Yoga classes WednesdayÂ 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.Â Â£3 per session.Â Tel. 38334522.
Drumcree Ramblers will be walking in Peatlands Park on Sunday 3rd February.Â Meet at Drumcree Community Centre at 2 p.m. for transport.Â Everyone welcome.

St. Maryâ€™s Womenâ€™s Guild:Â Meeting in Ashgrove Community Centre on Wednesday 6th February at 8 p.m.Â Guest speaker.Â New members welcome.

Drumcree College:Â Adult Keep Fit Dance/Aerobic Classes.Â Phone College for more information. Wanted!!! old/used greeting and Christmas cards.Â Leave at office.

Ulster Project Delaware - seeking a male leader to work with and then accompany 18 teenagers on a cross community project to the States this summer (27th June - 25th July).Â If interested or require further information contact Martin on 07793982934.

Armagh Diocesan PTAA - Annual Dinner Dance Friday 4th April, Ryandale Hotel, Moy.Â For tickets phone 07737547439.
Diocesan Pioneer Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 22nd - 27th September.
Quiz - under 27 over 16 - Sunday 2nd March
Senior Quiz - Over 16 - Sunday 2nd March
Juvenile - Under 13 - Friday 7th March
Juvenile - Under 16 - Friday 7th March
Anyone wishing to enter please phone 07737547439 before 23rd February.