

27th April 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

27th April 2008

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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.

Devotions 1st and 2nd Sunday

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

Jesus Christ is Risen. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lately deceased: Noel Hannon-Mackey, Eileen Marley, Brian Derry, Francis McDowell, Bridie Maher(McNeice), Noel McCann, Jim McAreavey, Joe Harrity

At This Time: Mary Donnelly, Denis McGall, Joseph Holland, Margaret Dalzell, McVeigh, McCann, Fowler & Hamill Families

Sunday 27th: Ellen McGurgan, Peter McShane(Snr), Peter McShane(Jnr), Liam White Isabella Daly, Gerard Jones

Monday 28th: Vera Jordan(1st Anniversary), Catherine Litter, Gerard Kelly, Danny Hall, Phyllis Battersby

Tuesday 29th: Joan Hamill, Patricia Sharkey Evans, Kelly Marie Mary Henry

Wednesday 30th: Eddie McCann, Cornelius Mulholland, James Jordan, Margaret McQuillan, Margaret McDonald, Paddy Prunty, Frank McCann

Thursday 1st: John McCoy, Austin Marley, Thomas McNally

Friday 2nd: Mary McGurgan, Cahir McNally

Saturday 3rd: Patrick McCourt

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Sacrament of Confirmation: Ceremony of Light, this evening, Sunday 27th April, in St. John the Baptist Church at 7 p.m. Please bring Baptismal Candle (if you have one), if not, one will be supplied.

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 will visit his Thursday & Friday calls on Monday - Tuesday & Wednesday as usual.

Ministers of The Eucharist - May

Vigil Colm McCann, Patsy Lambe, Theresa McCaffrey, Paddy Gorman. 8.30 a.m. Martin Barlow, Catherine McCooe, Geraldine Lawless. 10 a.m. Winnie Breen, Ann Marie Hamill, Madeline O'Neill. 11.30 a.m. Bernie Mallon, Patricia Halfpenny, Rosaleen Hamill, Nicola Fay.

St. Francis - Jackie McKeeown

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 29th April Teresa McCaffrey.

Ministers of The Word - May

Vigil Denis McCourt. 8.30 a.m. Tommy

Mallon. 10 a.m. Ann Hamill, Michael Sherry.

11.30 a.m. Michael Dennison.

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 28th April 10 a.m. Damien Russell. 7 p.m. Margaret Marley

Recent Baptisms: Dayna Petra Hughes

Adoration Group: Meeting of the group in St. John the Baptist Church after evening Mass on Wednesday 7th May. New members most welcome.

Legion of Mary: Annual Retreat in Benburb Priory on Sunday 11th May. Total cost for the day is £20. Bus departs as follows:-

St. Patrick's Hall 9 a.m.

St. Mary's Hall 9.15 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Church 9.30 a.m.

Any enquiries to 38333563.

Rosary on CD, produced by the Diocesan Prayer and Spirituality Group, available in sacristies: price £3.

Can be used in the car; at home for the sick or housebound or family prayer time. Voices and music of Drumcree Parishioners are used in the recording.

Diocesan Child Protection Committee: The following training days have been arranged for those working with young people under 18 yrs of age, within and outside parish: 10th May Newry Parish Centre, book by 2nd May. 31st May Synod Hall, Armagh, book by 23rd May. If interested please contact Kate or Pierce at the Diocesan Youth Ministry, Armagh, 02837525592 or email armaghyouth@yahoo.co.uk

Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - Sunday 25th May, the Feast of Corpus Christi.

Sunday 20th April

£2640-25

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

MAY, MONTH OF MARY

...since the month of May largely corresponds with the fifty days of Easter, the pious exercises practised at this time could emphasise Our Lady's participation in the Paschal mystery (cf John 19, 25 -27), and the Pentecost event (cf Acts 1 14) with which the Church begins: Our Lady journeys with the Church having shared in the novum of the Resurrection, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The fifty days are also a time for the celebration of the sacraments of Christian initiation and of the mystagogy.

The pious exercises connected with the month of May could easily highlight the earthly role played by the glorified Queen of Heaven, here and now, in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

What kinds of people become priests, sisters or brothers?

Are they uncommonly holy, unusally saint-like? No. They are people who make mistakes, people who aren't afraid to be human while in God's service. Are they people who can't face the competition and cruelty of the real world? No. They are people who believe that through ministry they can immerse themselves in the world and make positive changes. Are you that kind of person?

Year of VOCATION

13th April 2008 - 3rd May 2009

Is God calling YOU?

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Parish & Community Notices

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.

St.

Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times. Collection can be arranged. Contact the shop, tel. 38393898. Clothes and Furniture shops in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvaghy Road. Opening hours Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

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ACCORD - Wanted - people to help prepare couples for marriage.

Interested? Contact ACCORD 38334781 to reserve your place at the information evening on Tuesday 29th April at 8 p.m.

St. Mary's Youth Centre: Senior Ladies Netball every Tuesday

7 - 8 p.m. Ages 15 yrs - Adult. All welcome. Phone 38337524.

Lourdes 150th Anniversary - Direct from Belfast (7nights) - 17th July

Jeanne D'Arc Hotel, £485. Tel 38361289 for details.

Drumcree House of Health: Yoga Wednesday 11 - 12.30, £4 per session or £36 for 12 week course. Salsa Exercise, Tuesday 8.30, £1 per session. All in Drumcree Community Centre.

Phone Jennifer 38334522.

SPRED - The group meet on Wednesday in Drumcree Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. Enquiries 38392568.

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Ashgrove Seniors Luncheon Club: Places available at the Luncheon Club on Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon. Lunch & Bingo

£1-50. If interested (over 60s), contact Ashgrove Community Centre.

Rotary water project 'Sit Out' by Rotarian Tom Lee on next Saturday 3rd May. 6,000 children under the age of five die every day due to lack of fresh water and poor sanitation. Money raised from this 'Sit Out' will help Munira, South Kenya and will supply and install five wells and a water pipeline. 100% of money collected goes to the project. Be as generous as you can, please.

Medjugorje Pilgrimages: 31st May - 7 nights £419 ex Belfast.
2nd August - 7 nights £410 ex Belfast. 25th October - 7 nights £460 ex Dublin. All half board accommodation. For information contact Stephanie Donnelly 02820768917 or 07762130882

Holy Land Pilgrimage: 3rd - 12th September Direct from Belfast.
£850 p.p.s. inclusive of all taxes. For information contact Ann Diamond, 02879468134.

Christian Aid: Collectors required for Christian Aid Week. Tel. 38333597. Last lunch of this session on Wednesday 7th May in Armagh Road, Pres. Church Hall, 12 noon - 1.30 p.m.

Bannside Community Centre: Arts and Crafts Classes, 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. English classes, Thursday 10 a.m. ICT for beginners. Cross community trip to Dublin, 4th - 11th July for children P5 - P7. Homework Club, Volunteer needed Wednesday. For information contact Carol 028 38339916.

GATE - Diocesan Youth Magazine on sale in Churches £1.50.

Southern Area Hospice Services: Due to an expansion of services the Hospice have volunteering opportunities in various roles. For information or application pack phone Rosemary Gartland 30267711.

Craigavon Marie Curie Cancer Care: Future fundraising events include annual "Walk in the Park" 14th May and Craigavon Cycle 21st June. Any enquiries to Margaret Coleman, tel. 38343411.

Garvaghy Park & Close Comm. Assoc. AGM will be held in Ashgrove Centre on Wednesday 21st May at 7.30 p.m. All residents are invited to attend.