

20th July 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

20th July 2008

Sixteenth 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.

Devotions 1st and 2nd Sunday - except July and August

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

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Maureen Henry, Elizabeth McGarry, Sadie Garvey, Frank McNeice

At This Time: Samuel Greer, Patrick Neeson, Peter McKeever, Annie Lappin, Cavaterra and Da Costa Families, Edward Doherty, Sarah Ann McIlkenny, Edward McIlkenny

Sunday 20th: Patrick McCann, Antoinette Corr, Sarah Grimes, John McSahane, Soares Family

Monday 21st: John McCooe, Gertie Elliott

Tuesday 22nd: Annie Fee (1st Anniversary), Martin Carvill, Catherine McCanney, Annie Atkinson

Wednesday 23rd: Josephine Ward, Pat McNiece, Pat Connolly, Mary Campbell

Thursday 24th:

Friday 25th: Phyllis Kelly (Month Mind), Kathleen Marley (1st Anniversary), Philip McVeigh, Colin Girvan, Leo McDonald

Saturday 26th: Jim McVeigh (1st Anniversary), Mary Lappin, Mary Williamson

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World Youth Day: God bless Aine, Angela, Clíodhna, Patricia, Eoin, Dermot and Fr. Brian as they conclude the celebrations to mark WYD in Sydney with Pope Benedict and Cardinal Sean Brady. For up to date information log on to <http://wyd.catholicireland.net>

See also wyd2008.org We are grateful to Nelson Parish in New Zealand and St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Sydney for hosting our young people - may God bless them for their generosity. The WYD/SYD Drumcree Candles continue to burn in both Churches during liturgies to keep us all in prayerful contact and for their safe return.

RTE 1 11am Sunday 20th July World Youth days

Recent Baptisms: Â

Leah Nora Ralph McNally

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 21st July 10 a.m. Damien Russell 7 p.m. David Greer

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 22nd July Teresa McCaffrey

Letter in sacristy for Eucharist Ministers.

Good luck to Armagh Senior Men's Team in the Ulster Final and safe journey to all who travel. Rome decides the vestment colour today not Armagh, unfortunately!

Welcome to Yousef Yakoub, a clerical student in Maynooth from Maronite Catholic Diocese of Haifa and the Holy Land who will speak at all Masses this weekend about the plight of Christians in the Holy Land. He will also have handcarved wooded religious objects for sale to help his fellow brothers and sisters.

The Mass and the reception of Holy Communion - please take home and read the white sheet.

The Letters of St. Paul - a CTS publication available to purchase in Church - £2.95.

PALS - Children's prayer and Liturgy group for children from 4 yrs - primary 3, welcome children at 7 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday in St. Patrick's. For more information contact Ursula on 07889424614. Â

St. Mary's Youth Centre: SUMMER SCHEME - 7th - 24th July -Monday - Thursday - 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. & 1.30 p.m. - 4 p.m. Membership £3. Daily subs. £1. Ages 8 - 14 yrs. Go along and join the fun!

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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Offertory Collection

Sunday 13th July

£2279.45

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

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LET THEM BOTH GROW TIL HARVEST TIME

How true.

Like the farmer in the Gospel looking at weeds and wheat in a field, we look at the goodness and sinfulness of our lives.

People's strengths have their own weaknesses:

a generous person is often hot-tempered and a placid person may seem cold or unfeeling.

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Weeds and wheat, weeds and flowers, all grew in the farmer's field, and God saw more of the colour and the growth than the weeds.

Same with you and me.

With God's grace and our co-operation the good can overcome the bad.

And when God looks at life, He sees the life totally, and the bad is lost and forgiven in the good.

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And the word of God is patience.

Let them both grow til harvest time, He said, otherwise, if you cut everything, you will do violence to the field.

Lord, help me to be patient with myself, let me know that you see the heart and you see that behind every fault and sin, there is also the struggle to do good.

LET THEM BOTH GROW TIL HARVEST TIME.

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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.

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ACCORD:Â Marriage Preparation Courses begin in Armagh City Hotel as follows:-Â Course 1 - Wednesday 27th August 7 - 10 p.m. Course 2 - Wednesday 22nd October 7 - 10 p.m.Â And begin in Cohannon Inn: Course 1 Tuesday 23rd September 7-10pm; Course 2 Tuesday 21st October 7-10pm; Course 3 Tuesday 25th November 7.10pm. Due to increasing demand couples are advised to book their place at least ten months before the wedding. Telephone 38334781

St. Maryâ€™s Youth Centre U16 Football

Training every Wednesday 6 p.m. in the Park.Â Meet at Park Road entrance.Â (For players born in 1993 or 1994).Â All welcome.

Ashgrove Seniors Luncheon Club:Â Places available at the Luncheon Club on Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon.Â Lunch & Bingo Â£1-50.Â If interested (over 60â€™s), contact Ashgrove Community Centre.

Bannside Community Centre:Â Arts and Crafts Classes, 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.Â English classes, Thursday 10 a.m. ICT for beginners.Â Homework Club resumes 8th September..Â For information contact Carol 028 38339916.

Knock - Monday 11th August - Sr. Breige McKenna - Coach Â£15.Â Bring packed lunch.Â Booking essential.Â For details contactÂ Gabrielle 028 87784964 or Marie 028 3885 1517.

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Old Drumcree, Cultra - stories about the Church and people associated with the Church should be recorded on paper and returned to Fr. Oâ€™Dwyer.

LIFELINE is a new regional 24/7 helpline funded by the DHSS and Public Safety - calls are answered by trained counsellors who are experienced in dealing with suicide, self-harm, abuse, trauma, depression and anxiety. The number is 0808 808 8000, lines are open 24hours a day, 7days a week and calls are free from all landlines and mobile phones.

Feasts this week:

Monday 21st St. Lawrence of Brindisi; Tuesday 22nd St. Mary Magdalene; Wednesday 23rd St. Bridget of Sweden; Thursday 24th St. Declan of Waterford and Lismore; Friday 25th St. James; Saturday 26th Sts. Joachim and Anne.

Sunday 20th July - Dedication of St. Patrickâ€™s Cathedral, Armagh