24th August 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. www.drumcreeparish.com

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

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

24th August 2008 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times: St. John the Baptist Saturday Â 7 p.m. Sunday Â Â 8.30 & 11.30 a.m. St. Patrick's Sunday Â 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: Â

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â May Markey, Brian Loughran. Philomena Hughes, Tomas Tishna, Leo Mackle, Imelda Farrell, Henryk Jasniak, Willie McCann

At This Time:Â Brendan Hamill, McVeigh, Fowler, McCann, Hamill, Jones, Griffes & Clarke Families, Bernard Fearon, Mary Moonan, Brendan Rafferty, Michael McVeigh

Sunday 24th: M.M. George Halfpenny, Sarah Hughes, James O'Neill, Desmond Loughran, Eileen Doherty, Ann Wilson Â

Monday 25th: Lily McClean, Kathleen McKernan, Cassie McCann, Francis Murphy, Lee Cusack, Mary McNally

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Tuesday 26th: Una Wilson(1st Anniversary), Kitty Breen, Peter Megarity, Harry Creaney, Kathleen Blake, Paschal Devine Â

Wednesday 27th:Â Hugh McAnallen(1st Anniversary), William Donaghy, Bernard Neeson,Brendan Brankin, Annie McKeown. Francis Hamill

Thursday 28th: Evelyn White, Marie Benson, John McCooe, Bernard White, Sadie McKeever, Rose Hanratty Â Friday 29th: Charles Conlon(1st Anniversary), James OHare, Paul Coleman, William Serpliss, Margaret Dummigan Saturday 30th: John McKeever, Annie McClean, Gerard Kelly

South German Choir from Oberjesingen will sing at Mass next Saturday evening, 30th August.

Armagh Road Presbyterian Church:Â Choral Evening with Oberjesingen Church Choir on Friday 29th August, at 8 p.m. Â All welcome.

Recent Baptisms: Emma Jane Frances O'Neill, Eoin Martin McBride

Ministry of The Word: Week beginning 25th August 10 a.m. Tommy Mallon. 7 p.m. Pat Hagan.

Ministers of the Eucharist:

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 25th August Martin Barlow..

PALS - Children's Prayer and Liturgy Group for children from 4 yrs/primary 3. More infromation contact Ursula on 07889424614. Â

Anniversaries late for bulletin publication should be left in the sacristry if families want their departed prayed for on the proper day, otherwise they will be included in â€~At This Time' the following week.

Feasts: Monday St. Louis; St Joseph Calasanz, patron of Catholic Schools; Wednesday St. Monica; Thursday St. Augustine; Friday Beheading of St. John the Baptist; Saturday St Fiacre, patron of gardeners.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage: Sunday 14th September at Knock. All welcome.

Armagh Diocesan Pioneer Matt Talbot Mass - Note Change of Date: The Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Matt Talbot in the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott St., Dublin will now take place on Sunday 5th October. Mass will be celebrated at 3 p.m.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Good quality used clothing and furniture welcome at all times. Collection can be arranged. Contact the clothes shop, tel. 38393898 or Furniture shop tel. 38394219, 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.

Junior Phoenix Players Present â€[™] in Portadown Town Hall - Wednesday 3rd September - Saturday 6th September at 8 p.m. Matinee Saturday 6th September at 2 p.m. Ticket £7 available from Winnies, Wray Cleaners, Litters Garage & Laverys Garage.

(Matinee - pay at door).

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Offertory Collection Sunday 17th August £2483-18

Thanks to all who contributed

Reflection

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You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church

†He must be joking', the others thought when Jesus said, †You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church'.

They knew him well.

A rather mediocre fisherman,
a hot-tempered husband and father,

the centre of everything going on, but could you rely on him?

They wouldn't be surprised later that he would deny that he knew Jesus, or that he would run away when the going was tough.

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What they didn't think of was that they would all run away as well!

Jesus saw into Peter's heart, recognised his generosity, his enthusiasm for a cause, his love for family and friends, and named him †Rock'.

Maybe he recognised also that Peter knew his faults and failings and weaknesses; and isn't that a great security in life to know yourself well; and that's what makes good leaders

On the rock of Peter, Jesus built his Church, and his Church is little different from Peter: strong at times or weak, enthusiastic and courageous, sinful and unreliable, for his Church is you and me, our parish community, the community of God's people, confessing with joy that Jesus is the Christ of God. Â 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.

Presentation Sisters Koinonia Project: Programmes at 103 Thomas St. resume with Weekly Meditation, Monday 8th Sept. at 7.30 p.m. Sarah's Circle, an opportunity for women to pray and share faith together, Saturday 13th 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Eight sessions T'ai Chi Chih at Cascades Leisure Centre Thursdays 18th Sept. 11 a.m. For information phone 38332220.

ACCORD: Marriage Preparation Courses begin in Armagh City Hotel as follows:- 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

Maryvale Institute, Courses in the Catholic Faith for All Adults:

The Certificate in Cathechesis is for anyone interested in developing his or her faith for the sake of explaining it to others. The Certificate in New Testament Studies helps you to gain the most from reading the Bible. The Certificate in Studies in the Catechism will enlighten and enliven your faith. All courses are inexpensive and can be followed from home. Phone Sr. Felicitas on + 44 0 121 360 8118. or visit www.maryvale.ac.uk

Over 50's Club - trip to Kilkenny 4nights BB and Evening Meal, 7th/11th September £229pps. £20 deposit. Contact Frances 38339506. All welcome.

St. Mary's Youth Centre U16 Football

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

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

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

St. Malachy's Bowling Club: New season opens with first practice on Thursday 28th August at 7.30 p.m. in the Ashgrove Centre. New members welcome.

Back to school: to all who go to school or college for the first time and all who return to school these days - learn plenty, teach well, work together. May God bless all pupils, teachers and staff.

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