

14th September 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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Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Jackie Harrison, Johnny Byrne

At This Time: Catherine Kelly, Emer Treacy, Susanna Creaney, Mary Breen, Kathleen

Woodhouse, Mary & Edward Sherry, Mary Doohan, Mick Fay

Sunday 14th: Rita McShane, Mary Beattie, Seamus Marley, Mary Rose Wolohan, McAlinden Family, Bernard McParland, May Daly

Monday 15th: Mary Gillen, James Lavery

Tuesday 16th: William Breen

Wednesday 17th: Elizabeth McAtamney, James Thompson, Mary Cumberton, George Hall, Elizabeth Loughan

Thursday 18th: Mary Jane O'Reilly, Sarah McConnell, Margaret Lester, Maureen O'Neill, Eileen Sloan

Friday 19th: Gabriel Vallely, Seamus Donnelly, Bro. Francis McCann, James Kelly, Margaret Murphy

Saturday 20th: M.M. Willie McCann, Jane McNally, Sean Reilly, Frances Margaret Caldwell, Malachy Russell

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 16th September Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 15th September 10 a.m. Tommy Bradley. 7 p.m. Michael Dennison.

Evangelium: The Knights of St.Columbanus propose a course on the Catholic faith for adults of all ages in the Parish. The Evangelium programme is based on the Catechism of the catholic Church and offers 25 individual modules covering the Creed, Sacraments, Moral Life and Prayer. Brief information sessions will be held after Masses this weekend. Additional details on notice boards and Parish Website.

Sign Up Sunday - 27th/28th September - What can I as a member of the Church Community contribute to Parish life through involvement in Liturgy and Church based organisations?

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting on Thursday 18th September at 7.30 p.m.

Mass in Polish in St. Patrick's Church, Stonebridge on Friday 19th September at 7.30 p.m. Please tell your Polish friends and neighbours.

Recent Baptisms: Proinsias Peter Duffy, Eabha Lile-Rois Mulholland.

GATE - Diocesan Youth Magazine now in Churches - £1-50.

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT in concert in St. John the Baptist Church on Friday 10th October at 8 p.m. Tickets, £7, available from Sacristies, Winnies Shop, Jerome Marley, Parochial Houses. Profits towards Parish Developing World Project.

The following courses will be offered at Iona House (Jesuits) in October:

1. "Finding God in all Things". The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius - shared and mixed (protestant - catholic) group (limited numbers) - 32 weeks, meeting fortnightly, beginning Friday 10th October, 7.30 p.m.
2. "Faith Seeking Understanding", a fresh look at familiar beliefs - things I have wondered about but was afraid to ask the bible, the gospels, the church, its teachings - fortnightly, starting provisionally Friday October 17th, 7.30 p.m. Anyone interested in either of these please contact Fr. Michael, 211 Churchill Park, 38330366.

Oliver - the musical: Pupils from Primary 6 & 7 and present & recent past pupils of Drumcree College are invited to an information meeting on Monday 22nd September at 6 p.m. in Drumcree College with a view to staging this musical. A postcard available in Churches

NOTE: 10 a.m. Mass on Thursday 18th September is being transferred from St. Patrick's to St. John the Baptist Church, to facilitate the Drumcree College Opening of Year Mass. Parents, grandparents, friends, family and all parishioners are invited to attend.

Offertory Collection
 Sunday 7th September
 Total £2518-68
 Thanks to all who contributed
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Prayer for Racial Justice Sunday

Heavenly God we praise your name and thank you for your glorious goodness and mercy. Lord Jesus, we pray a blessing for all those actively engaged in the struggle for racial justice. Holy spirit, we beseech you to enter into the minds and hearts of all those in authority in the Church. Grant that they may

- Hear the voices crying out for justice.
- Engage in developing a better understanding.
- Act to bring about change.
- Lead and inspire others by their good example.

We ask this through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The love of God is greater than all evil.

We pray for racial justice:

â€¢ in our lives

â€¢ in our parishes

â€¢ in our dioceses

â€¢ in our land Amen

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God our provider, sustaining humanity and all creation by your love.

Thank you for this opportunity to worship you.

Help us to appreciate all your gifts.

And to value the contribution of every person.

So that our prayers, words and actions

mirror your endless creativity and boundless love

and enable us to taste the feast of the kingdom of heaven.

Gracious God

You call us to make one cloth,

woven from the variety of traditions

Take the threads we have to offer.

Reject what is useless

and accept what is good.

Use the shuttle of your Spirit

to weave a serviceable cloth.

And give us the grace to use it well.

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We ask this in the name of Christ - Amen.

We give thanks for the richness of creation and for God's generosity to all peoples.

Pray for those known to us who are experiencing sorrow.

Pray for groups in society who carry shared sorrow.

because of tragedy in the past or injustice in the present.

Pray for those who reject God's invitation to the banquet

preferring to eat alone.

Pray for those who through greed, selfishness or prejudice mistakenly try to keep God's gifts to themselves.

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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 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.

Do you have an old mobile phone? If you do, would you please donate it to raise funds for charitable causes within the Parish?

During the month of September the Knights of St. Columbanus will have boxes at the entrances to both Churches at

Saturday evening and Sunday Masses for collection of old mobiles.

Thank you for your support.

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 of Beginning Tai Chi at Cascades Leisure Centre Wednesdays 17th September 7.30

p.m. and a morning group Thursdays 18th Sept. 11 a.m. For information and to enquire about Spiritual Guidance, Inner

Child work, help in Grieving, Overcoming Depression or a safe place to talk about Suicide concerns phone 38332220.

ACCORD: Marriage Preparation Courses begin in Armagh City Hotel as follows:- Course 2 - Wednesday 22nd October

7 - 10 p.m. 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. 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 60s), 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. John's Accordion Band: Classes in music on Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist School. Anyone wishing to
join contact a committee member at the school on the evening.

Drumcree Community Centre: Parent and toddler group each Monday at 10.30 a.m. Cabin Club: All clubs start back
Monday 15th September. Registration for all clubs Wednesday 10th September 4 - 6 p.m. €3 per child. Meeting for
those willing to volunteer to work with children on Tuesday 9th September 7 p.m. or contact James, Terri or Joanna.
Drumcree House of Health: Weigh-in resumes Monday 8th September 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Naiscoil Na Banna - an Irish Language pre school. Any parent interested in educating their children through the Irish
medium please contact Ciara at the Naiscoil 38391243. Three P.E.A.G.S. are available for 3-4 yr. old now.

Armagh Diocesan Pioneer Matt Talbot Mass: Annual Pilgrimage the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott
St., Dublin will take place on Sunday 5th October. Mass will be celebrated at 3 p.m.

McMillen Coffee Morning: Ann and Liz invite you to a Coffee
Morning in Ashgrove Centre on Friday 26th September, 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. All welcome.

St. Anthony's Hall, Craigavon: Ceili, Saturday 20th September,
9 - 1 a.m. The Oriel Ceili Band.

St. John's Scouts - resume this week. Monday Scouts 7 - 9 p.m.
Tuesday Cubs 7 - 8.30 p.m. Wednesday Beavers 7 - 8.30 p.m.
New members welcome.