

26th April 2009

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

Â 26th April 2009

Third Sunday of Easter

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Mass Times:

St. John the Baptist

SaturdayÂ Â 7 p.m.

SundayÂ Â Â Â 8.30 & 11.30 a.m.

St. Patrick's

SundayÂ Â Â 10 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

St. John the Baptist

Tuesday - Friday 7p.m.

St. Patrick's

Monday - SaturdayÂ 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 beÂ 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

First Friday Notices

Confessions - Thursday 30th

St. Patrick's -Â Â Â 6Â p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

St. John's -Â Â Â 7.30 p.m.

Masses - Friday 1st

St. Patrick'sÂ Â Â 10 a.m.(Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 10.30 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

St. John'sÂ Â Â 7 p.m.

The sick and housebound will be visited as usual.

Ministers of the Eucharist - May

Vigil Paddy Gorman, Miriam Loftus, Bernadette Breen. 8.30 a.m. Margaret Marley, Catherine McCooe. 10 a.m. Ann Fleming, Maurice Hagan, Pat Devlin. 11.30 a.m. Teresa Murphy, Mary Taggart, Roisin Kelly, Gerry Barlow.
St. Francis Madeline O'Nriill.
St. John the Baptist, week beginning 27th April Paddy Gorman.

Ministry 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.
Week beginning 27th April 10 a.m. Tommy Mallon. 7 p.m. Pat Hagan.

Recent Baptisms: Aodhán Francis Walsh, Seán Patrick Walsh, Oisín Patrick Kelly, John Raphael Rada, Emma Mary Breen; and Nervareen Foster - recently Confirmed.

Cemetery Sunday/Blessing of Graves - Sunday 7th June 11.30 a.m.

Parish Pastoral Council elections - see below

New Pastoral Areas: a letter from Cardinal Brady and a new proposed draft map below. Bishop Clifford and he are happy to listen to any final concerns that are made known to the priests of the Parishes between now and 22nd May - these in turn will be forwarded to them.

Special Remembrance Service to give thanks for and remember babies and children who have died.

Sunday 26th April, 3 p.m. in the Lecture Theatre, Medical Education Centre, Craigavon Hospital. Bring a flower with you in memory of your baby/babies and view the Books of Remembrance.

Nano Nagle: this weekend the Presentation Sisters celebrate the 225th anniversary of the death of their foundress, Nano Nagle. As a lay woman, in the face of Penal Laws, she dedicated her life, talents and fortune to the education of children and their families as well as caring for the sick and elderly and the exploited in the Cork of her time. At 57 years of age she founded the Presentation Sisters to carry on the work of her 7 schools in the city. Today, her followers number thousands and continue her work worldwide. In an RTE radio poll in 2005 she was voted the Most Influential Irish Woman of all time.

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Legion of Mary: The annual retreat will be held in Benburb Priory on Sunday 10th May. Details later.

Liturgy Committee meeting 7th May at 7.30pm

Offertory Collection - Sunday 19th

Total - £2886-27

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Aidan Brankin, Jimmy Loughlin, Winifred Henderson, Attracta Brannigan,

Rita Murray, Gerard O'Riordan, Sean Freeman, Nan (Annie) Reid

At This Time: Jose Da Silva, Silvina De Jesus, Marcos Mali, Maligatal Family, McVeigh, Fowler, McCann, Hamill & Jones

Families, Frank McCann, Anna Mackle, James Millsopp

Sunday 26th: Nano Nagle, Hugh Breen, Peter McGrane, Philomena Litter, Danny Hall, Isabella Daly, Gerard Jones

Monday 27th: Lena Hickman (1st Anniversary), Liam White, Peter McShane (Snr), Peter McShane (Jnr), Ellen McGurgan

Tuesday 28th: Vera Jordan, Catherine Litter, Gerard Kelly, Phyllis Battersby

Wednesday 29th: Joan Hamill

Thursday 30th: John Murphy (1st Anniversary), James Jordan, Frank McCann, Margaret

McQuillan, Eddie McCann, Cornelius Mulholland, Margaret McDonald

Friday 1st: John McCoy, Thomas McNally, Gary McKeeever, Austin Marley

Saturday 2nd: Mary McGurgan, Cahir McNally

Anniversaries late for bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on the proper day.

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.

Year of Vocation: Jesus opened the minds of his followers to understanding of scripture. He pronounced them as his witnesses. Be the hands and feet of Jesus today. Contact Fr. Paddy Rushe 00353 42 93 34259.

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St. Vincent De Paul Society

Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 or Furniture shop tel. 38394219, in Mayfair Business Centre, Garvagh 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.

CELEBRATIONS!

The Society invite parishioners to join with them in celebrating 10 yrs anniversary of the opening of the clothes shop on Monday 11th May 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Come along and enjoy the day with music, refreshments and beat the credit crunch with great bargains from the shop.

Presentation Sisters Koinonia Project: Programmes at 103 Thomas St. Weekly Meditation Monday, 7.30 - 8.30 p.m. T'ai Chi Chih Wednesday 7.30 p.m. and Thursday 11 a.m. at the Cascades Leisure Centre. For information or for appointments phone Sr. Brigid 38332220 or e-mail brigidkavanagh@btinternet.com

Ashgrove Community Centre: Art Class Wednesdays 7 - 9 p.m. (beginners welcome). If interested phone Jim Cunningham 07711981732 or 38344543.

Drumcree House of Health: Active Kidz programme (in conjunction with Club VO2). Reduces the risk of children becoming overweight. (free). Yoga every Tuesday 6.30 p.m. - 8 p.m. and Friday 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. For information call 38334522.

Feasts: St. Asicus Monday 27th; St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort Tuesday 28th; St. Catherine of Siena Wednesday 29th; St. Pius V Thursday 30th; St. Joseph the Worker Friday 1st; St. Athanasius Saturday 2nd.

A rare and privileged opportunity to fly direct from Belfast on a 10 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Depart Saturday 19th September returning Tuesday 28th September 2009. Flight to the Holy Land with all professionally guided coaching tours, accommodation, breakfast and evening meals, £1090 stg. or Euro 1240 incl. For information and booking contact Charlie Gillespie 07533330756.

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Course in Armagh City Hotel as follows: Wednesday 20th May, Wednesday 27th May and Wednesday 3rd June all 7 - 10 p.m. Attendance required on all three evenings. Couples are advised to book places on courses at least ten months before the wedding.

European Elections - 4th June 2009 - Persons who require ID and persons who require Registration to vote will be accommodated as follows: Lurgan Town Hall, Monday 27th April 4.30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Portadown Town Hall Tuesday 28th April 4.30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Join Bãthar on a week long trek following the footsteps of Francis of Assisi this October. Bãthar use livestock in development aid projects throughout the developing world. For further details contact Bãthar on 071 20100 or by email at events@bothar.ie.

Bannside Development Centre: Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. English classes Thursday 10 a.m. I.C.T. for beginners. Homework Club 3.15 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Phone 38339916.

Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela: walking the way of St James and culminating in Santiago will take place from 21st to 28th July. This route has been walked for hundreds of years by pilgrims from all over Europe and it allows pilgrims to encounter the natural beauty and culture of the region and to share in and be part of the experience of the thousands of pilgrims who have already walked the way. For further information and booking contact Fr Peter McAnenly, Dungannon tel: 87722631.

Evening of traditional hymns in the Civic Centre, Craigavon on Friday 15th May. The Mayor, Councillor Sidney Anderson, invites Parishioners to attend. To make sure of a seat contact Ruth Kyle at 38312400.

Trocaire - money collected during Lent can be handed into the sacristy; please convert coins to notes or larger coins. Over £10,000 has been raised to date.

Reflection

From darkness to light

In all the Easter work of Jesus,
he led the disciples

out of darkness into light,
out of sadness into joy,
out of isolation into community,
giving the living bread of hope
for the dry bread of their
disappointment.

He did this by sharing himself with them,
sharing the scripture that spoke of him,
and the bread that was his body.

No long instructions,
no long exhortations,
just the openness
of sharing himself with them.

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This is his plea to us, his Church:
be light in darkness,
be joy in sadness,
be community in isolation,
be Eucharist to dry bread,
be wholeness to broken life.