

30th August 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

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Twenty " Second 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

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

First Friday Notices:

Confessions - Thursday 3rd

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

St. John's 7.30 p.m.

Masses - Friday 4th

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

St. John's 7 p.m.

The sick and housebound will be visited as usual.

Adoration: First Friday:

Would those persons who kindly indicated their willingness to commit to a period of Eucharistic Adoration please contact

Servite Priory - Benburb:Â Forthcoming events.

Friday 18th - Sunday 20th September.Â De Mello Weekend.

Wednesday 30th September.Â An Evening with Sr. Joyce Rupp O.S.M.Â Beginning 7.30 p.m.

Thursday 1st October.Â A Day with Joyce Rupp. Beginning at 10 a.m.

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ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses: in Armagh City Hotel on 9th/16th/23rd September and 4th/11th/18th November; in Cohannon Inn on 8th/15th/22nd September and 6th/13th/20th October and 3rd/10th/17th November. It is important to book early even if your wedding is not until 2010. To book contact ACCORD Office at 38334781.

New website connects Pope Benedict to youth - check it out - Pope2you.

Bannside Development Centre: Bannside Scribblers

Mondays 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.Â Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.Â English classes

Thursday 10 a.m.Â I.C.T. for beginners.Â Phone 38339916.

St. Malachy's Indoor Bowling Club:Â Practice for the new season Thursday 7.30 p.m. in Ashgrove Community Centre.Â New members welcome.

Junior Phoenix Players present "Fame" in Portadown Town Hall Wednesday 2nd - Saturday 5th September 8 p.m. sharp.

Tickets Â£8 may be purchased from Winnies, Litter's Garage and Wray's Cleaners. Â

Matinee Saturday 5th at 2 p.m.Â For Matinee pay at door.

Fancy yourself as a budding football manager?Â Why not join Drumcree League in the Premiership Football League Manager.Â Log on to www.fantasy.premierleague.com and register.Â To join the Drumcree Premier League the league no. is

73161-237706. Â

St. Mary's Womens' Guild:Â Meeting in Ashgrove Community Centre Wednesday 2nd September at 8 p.m.Â Guest Speaker. New members welcome.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 23rd - 30th September:Â Spiritual

Director.Â Price Â£460 - via Belfast International Airport.Â Details / booking form contact Josphine 028 38343091.

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.Â May God bless all pupils, teachers and staff.

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Reflection

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The service of the heart

The Lord looks on each of us
and sees into our hearts.

He sees within each of us
the secrets and the richness
that others often miss.

He sees the whole person:
what we do and fail to do,
what we want to do,
and the love we want to offer
to others and to him.

To God, many of our faults are seen as struggles,
and many of our sins as mistakes.
God sees what we would like to be,
as much as what we are.

And Jesus sees in each of us
a brother and sister, child of God.

And maybe it's true also
that he sees the pride
what may be cloaked in generosity
and the bits of selfishness cloaked

in love,
and he understands and forgives.

The Lord wants us to honour him
with the love of our hearts,
not just the observance of religion;
his desire for our faithful love
encourages us in weakness
and challenges us in strength.

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And he knows and loves in each of us
what he knows and loves in Jesus,
For he sees in us the image of his Son.