

11th October 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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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: Â

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Fr. White 38332218

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Welcome to Bishop Clifford who will bless the site of the new Pastoral Centre and cut the first sod.

Devotions this evening in St. John's Church at 7 p.m. Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament 4 - 7 p.m.

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 12th October Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word - Week beginning 12th October 10 a.m. Denis McCourt. 7 p.m. Pat Hagan. Â

Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation: children attending St. John the Baptist, Presentation and Ballyoran primary schools follow Parish and School Programmes in preparation for these Sacraments. If your child attends other schools and your family are Parishioners and wish to avail of these Sacraments please contact Fr. White or Fr. O'Dwyer to register.

Sacrament of Confirmation - Saturday 29th May 2010 at 3 p.m. with Cardinal Sean Brady.  
Gaelige - St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, Saturday 20th March, 5 p.m., with Bishop Clifford.

First Communion Dates: Presentation P.S..24th April, Ballyoran CPS 8th May, Eoin Baiste Bun Scoil 8th May, St. John the Baptist P.S.22nd May.

SHYNE Youth Group meeting at St. Mary's Youth Club at 7.30pm Sunday 11th. All welcome - including new members.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting Thursday 15th October at 7.30pm

Recent Baptisms: Ben James McKee, Ethan Frank McDowell, Orla Louise McAtamney

Evangelium: Friday 16th October at 7.30 p.m. in the Meeting Room, St. John the Baptist Church. All are welcome.

Distribution of Holy Communion: for those who are unable to come to the sanctuary, Holy Communion will be brought to you. Raise your hand or stand as the priest or extra-ordinary Minister of the Eucharist comes near you.

Commemoration of The Faithful Departed:  
Mass for the deceased Monday 2nd November at 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church (Novena Prayers said). List of the Dead Sheets for completion are now available in the Churches - to be returned by Saturday 31st October.

PACE Portadown: Public meeting Thursday 15th October in Friends Meeting House, Portadown to hear about Church Forums. There are a number of Church Fora through N. Ireland and they are concrete and visible signs in the community of people of faith working together for the common good. The meeting will begin at 7.30 p.m. and finish at 9 p.m. All are most welcome.

Sunday 18th October, 8 p.m. in St. John's School, Fr. Gerry Hughes SJ will talk and lead a discussion on 'Spirituality - What has it to say to Today's Concerns?'

Feasts: Tuesday 4th St. John Vianney; Wednesday 5th Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major;

Offertory Collection - Sunday 4th  
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GATE - Youth Magazine available in Churches - £1-50.

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased: Laurence McKenna, Phyllis Little, Maureen Caldwell, Dan Gallagher, Sean McVeigh, Mary Mulholland, Jean McAlinden, Don Lucas, Kathleen Hagan

At This Time: Mary Laverty, Joe Kelly, Verdial & Amaral Families, Liza Taggart

Sunday 11th: M.M. Anna Fowler, Margaret Brankin, Annie Lawless, Kathleen McAlinden, McAlinden Family Monday  
12th: Bridget Hamill, Mary McGarry, Hugh Headley, Annie Conlon, John Shevlin, Patrick McCann, Mary Kelly Tuesday  
13th: M.M. Georgina Larkin, Eleanor

McCaffrey, Joseph Goodwin, Mother M. Joseph Keating, Mary Ward

Wednesday 14th: Aidan McCann, Catherine Nugent Thursday 15th: Phyllis McCann, Vera

Jordan, Kenneth Brownlee, Frank McCann, Seamus McCann, Catherine Kelly, Sr. Edith O'Neill, Patrick McCusker

Friday 16th: Daniel McKeever, George McDonald, Brian Henry Saturday 17th: James McCoy

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.

The rich young man desires to live a virtuous life. It required letting go of what gets in the way of following Jesus wholeheartedly. You can let go, too! Contact Fr. Paddy Rushe 00353 42 93 34259.

St. Vincent De Paul Society  
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.

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URGENTLY REQUIRED! - Baby clothes.  
NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

The Presentation Sisters Koinonia Project - Meditation Mondays 7.30 p.m., T'ai Chi Chih classes Wednesdays 7.30 p.m. or Thursdays 11 a.m. Spiritual Direction by appointment. For details please call 38332220 or e-mail [brigidkavanagh@btinternet.com](mailto:brigidkavanagh@btinternet.com)

Youth 2000 Retreat - Newry: youth retreat in Sacred Heart Grammar School, 16th - 18th October (16-35 yr. olds). Donation only. Residential - bring a sleeping bag. For information contact Joanna, 07813266007 or [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

St. Mary's Women's Guild: Next meeting on 4th November. Ballydoghan - cars will leave St. John's car park at 6.20 p.m. sharp Friday 23rd October.

Drumcree College - Basketball - P7 - 1st & 2nd years every Wednesday from 3.30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Adult fitness classes Wednesdays 7.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. For more information contact the school 38334725.

SPRED - Wednesday in Drumcree Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. Enquiries phone 38392568.

St. Malachy's Indoor Bowling Club: Thursday 7.30 p.m. in Ashgrove Community Centre. New members welcome.

Feasts: Wednesday 14th St. Callistus; Thursday 15th St. Teresa of Avila; Friday 16th St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Aloccoque, St. Gall; Saturday 17th St. Ignatius of Antioch.

Drumcree Community Centre: Help with Arthritis - 6 week course starting Monday 19th October 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Phone to book.

Drumcree House of Health - Monday Young People Clinic 6 - 8 p.m.  
Tuesday Carer's Support & Women's Night, Thursday Men's Evening.  
Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

Tir Na nOg GFC: Irish classes for beginners every Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in clubrooms. Bingo every Tuesday night 8.30 p.m. Snowball begins next week. £500 for 40 numbers, raised each week by £50 until won. All support most welcome.

Weddings 2010 - couples who have booked weddings for next year should confirm their bookings this month.

Children in Crossfire are recruiting enthusiastic individuals to participate in the Barcelona Half Marathon in February 2010 and Cycle Vietnam in April 2010. A registration fee is requested and minimum sponsorship applies. If you are interested in either of these challenges, please contact Sarah on 028 71269898 or e-mail [events@childrenincrossfire.org](mailto:events@childrenincrossfire.org)

Craigavon Marie Curie Cancer Care Fundraising Group invites you to take part in a Quiz in Goodyear Social Club on Friday 16th October at 9 p.m. A raffle will be held on the night. Tickets cost £5 and are available from Margaret Coleman on 38343411, or pay at the door. Please come along and support this worth cause.

Bannside Development Centre: A Holistic approach to Health - a series of talks starting Thursday 15th October, 10 a.m. - 12 noon.

Homework Club Monday and Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m. £1 per day.

Bannside Scribblers - Mondays 7 - 9 p.m. English Classes Thursday 10 a.m. also I.C.T. for beginners. For more information contact Carol on 38339916.

ACCORD - Marriage Preparation Courses dates in 2010.

Course 1 - Armagh City Hotel, Wednesday 20th, 27th of January and Wednesday 3rd February. Course runs for 3 weeks 7 - 10 p.m.

Course 2 - Armagh City Hotel, Wednesday 14th, 21st and 28th April.

Course runs for 3 weeks 7 - 10 p.m. Due to increasing demand couples are advised to book their place at least ten months before the wedding. Phone 38334781.

Armagh ACCORD is celebrating their 40th Anniversary. We cordially invite those of the Diocese to our celebratory Mass. This invitation is particularly open to married couples and those preparing for marriage to join us for Mass being celebrated by Cardinal Brady in St. Malachy's Church, Armagh on Sunday 25th October at 3 p.m.

Reflection

Costing no less than everything

Sometimes love costs no less than everything.

Parents know this  
in bringing up children in love;  
and then it costs a lot to let them go.  
as they make their way through life,  
finding their own feet,  
forming their own families.

And the love of God opens the door  
to people who are poor;  
if we fail to recognise the poor in our world  
we are missing God.

And we know that a passion for wealth  
can close us off from other people  
as we fail to see their needs  
and get into competition with them.

The call of the Lord is  
to give of ourselves for others,  
even when it hurts;  
and into a love which shares  
with those who are poor,  
His love calls us,  
and when we live in this love  
of giving and receiving,  
we are the most blessed of people.