7th March 2010

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

7th March 2010 Third Sunday of Lent

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

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

Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 9th March Martin Barlow, Teresa McCaffrey

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 8th 10 a.m. Tommy Mallon. Â 7 p.m. Olivia McDonald.

St. John the Baptist P.S. and Bunscoil Primary 4 and Rang 4 pupils will celebrate their First Confession on Thursday 11th March in St. John the Baptist Church at 6 p.m. (Therefore Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament will not take place).

Sacrament of Confirmation - those

preparing, along with their parents, families and friends, will attend Mass next weekend as part of their preparation. Ballyoran P.S. Saturday 13th at 7 p.m.

Presentation P.S. Sunday 14th at 10 a.m.

St. John the Baptist P.S. and Bunscoil Sunday 14th at 11.30 a.m.

The Permanent Diaconate: Â

The Archdiocese of Armagh is accepting applications for its discernment year for the permanent diaconate beginning in October 2010. The Year of Discernment consists of six weekends from October to June, then candidates may formally apply for

acceptance to the three year formation programme leading to ordination. Applicants should be aged 35 - 60. Applications must be received no later than 31st May 2010. Contact one of the priests for details of how to apply, or alternatively contact Fr. John Gates, Diocesan Director, 028 79632439 or email jgatesbrack@btconnect.com

Stations of the Cross this evening at 7pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Bun Scoil Ceremony of Light for Confirmation Friday 12th March at 8pm.

Feasts: 8th St. John of God, St. Senan; 9th St. Frances of Rome; 11th St. Aengus.

Recent Baptisms:Â Ella Berry, Leylah Davis, Oliver George Halfpenny, Oliver Andrew Thomas Cassells, Pedro Rosado, Keelan Patrick Stuart, Noe Pedro Hagan-Fontes

8th Armagh Scout Group will attend Mass on Tuesday 9th March at 7 p.m. for investiture ceremony.

Camara - Africa 2010 Programme seeks volunteers to spend 4 weeks sharing IT skills; also used computers. More information contact Ann @ 90332470

Drumcree College:Â Cardinal Brady launched the

review of Post Primary Education in the Archdiocese last Monday. The various proposals concerning Drumcree College and schools in Armagh and Keady will be published later this month for debate and consideration.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOTES

Developing World Project: Committee members who have spoken recently in Parish Schools will speak at Masses this weekend on the Romania Project.

Pastoral Area Resource Team - Ballymore and Mullabrack, Drumcree, Kilmore, Loughgall Parishes - meeting on Wednesday 10th March.

ALPHA - The course continues on Wednesday

Trip:Drumcree Old Church in Cultra Sunday 27thJune.

Offertory Collection
Sunday 28th - £2758-95
Thanks to all who contributed

Stations of the Cross on DVD available in Churches £6

Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Jim Hughes, Sr. Josefina Greci, Rita Litter, Fernando Da Costa Nunes

At This Time:Â Hugh McCormac, Gerald Grimley, Mary McAnallen

Sunday 7th :Â Venia Prunty, Thomas Hooks, Andy Mulligan, Matilda Donnelly, Christina McNally, Felix McKeever, Jimmy Sloan, De Rego Family

Monday 8th:Â Mary McNally, Sr. Gertrude Taggart, Francis Hagan, Paddy Halfpenny Â

Tuesday 9th: A Paddy Austin, Bertie Redmond, May Batty, Elizabeth Murphy

Wednesday 10th: MM. Elizabeth Freeburn, Wendy Ann O'Hare(1st Anniversary), Michael Turley, Kathleen Topping, Martha Hutchinson, Sean McBennett

Thursday 11th:Â Billy Moore, May Wilson, Mary Frances Douglas, Kevin Cullen

Friday 12th: Joseph & Annie McGlade, Mary McCarthy, Colette Schofield, Alex Hannah,

Catherine & Malachy McKeever

Saturday 13th:Â Sarah Reynolds, John Halfpenny

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

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Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

URGENTLY REQUIRED - Baby Clothes and Small Girls Clothes.

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. Â NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

Drumcree Community Centre: Â Young Parent's Group,- if you are a parent under 25yrs come along with your child. 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. 9th and 23rd March.

Sparkles - group for parents, grandparents, minders or anyone who looks aftetr a child 0-4yrs - every Wednesdasy 1030am-12.30pm

Feileacan - parent and child group Fridays 2pm-3.30pm

Drumcree House of Health: Women's Drop-in Night Tuesday 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. Â Young Peoples Health Drop-in Monday 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. This confidential service on all aspects of health (male or female) under 25 yrs. Phone Jennifer or Linda on 38334522 for more details.

Bannside Development Centre: A Homework Club Monday &

Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30 p.m. £1 per day. I.C.T. Tuesday 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Cookery class Tuesday 7 - 9 p.m. English Classes Thursday morning 10am Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. For more information contact Carol on 38339916.

Tir Na nOg GFC: Minor Training starts Monday 1st March at club. U10 Training in Drumcree College Tuesdays 6.30 p.m. Â

Bingo and Lotto Tuesday 8.15 p.m. (All support welcomed).

Development Draw Tickets available from members, £10 each or 3 for £20. Draw to take place in August 2010.Â Entertainment - Saturday 13th March, Snake Bite, £3. Saturday 20th March 3's A Crowd, £3. Saturday 27th March Boo, £3.

St. Mary's Youth Centre - Girls Football Coaching every Monday evening 7.15 - 8.15 p.m. Ages 10 - 14 yrs. Cost £1. Â For more

information phone Centre 38337524.

Pride of Eireann Football Winners: D. O'Neill, C. Wilson, D. Cusack, M. Bingham, J. Smith, D. Carr, T. Henry, J.McCaffery, P. Toland, K. Henderson, N. O'Neill, L. O'Neill.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE - 21st March Annual day to honour St Joseph. Coach £15. For booking and details contact Gabrielle @ 87784964 or 07933521105 or Marie @ 38851517.

Playing For The Future Multi Sports Camp - recommences Sunday 7th March, 2 - 4 p.m. at St. John the Baptist P.S. For more information contact Thomas 07821579451.

Pilgrimage: Have you ever gone on pilgrimage? Would you like to share this memory? We are both recording people's memories through oral and collecting written memories for preservation in a

special archive in Maery Immaculate College. If you prefer you may write some brief answers to the following questions. Please include your name, address and age. Which pilgrimages have you done? When did you go? How did you get there? Who went with you? Why did you go? Your most vivid memory of pilgrimage. Please send information to Justin Fitzgerald, History Dept., Mary Immaculate

College, South Circular Road, Limerick.

District Policing Partnership Public Meeting - Tuesday 9th March in Ashgrove Centre at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Neighbourhood Watch - Interested to hear about Neighbourhood Watch in your area? Come along to Ashgrove Centre, Tuesday 23rd March at 7 p.m.

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Reflection

Another Chance

Jesus told a story about someone coming to a fig tree and looking for fruit, and wanting it cut down because it was barren.

But he was persuaded to give it another chance.

Jesus liked that story because he's the person of another chance.

With his friends
there was always the chance
to turn around,
become whole again
and follow him anew,
even after denial and cowardice.
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He looks ahead of us

He looks ahead of us on our path of life and sees a new way, another chance out of failure, a new conversion from sin.

Our book of life is never closed for Jesus, our disk of life is never full, the song of our life is never sung out.

We are not programmed like on a computer, nor is our life's plan pressed on a compact disc.
We are people who can always change, become strong again, walk confident, hand-in-hand with God.

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As Jesus sees us as people who may change and grow, may we see others in the same light.

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A MINUTE IN EVERY HOUR! Â AN HOUR IN EVERY DAY! Â A DAY IN EVERY WEEK

10 MINUTES OF PEACE AT 10 AM ON 10TH DAY OF 10TH MONTH 20TEN.

If you have moved house within the Parish in the past 12 months, or recently moved to the Parish. please complete and return the slip below. Place in collection basket or leave at either Parochial House.

Name	 	
Address	 	
Old Address/Parish	 	

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