

21st 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

21st March 2010

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 22nd March Eddie McVeigh, Geraldine Lawless.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 22nd 10 a.m. Damian Russell. 7 p.m. Michael Dennison.

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Congratulations to Bun Scoil Rang 6 and Rang 7 pupils who were confirmed on Saturday 20th - use your gifts well.

Ballyoran CPS Primary 4 will celebrate their First Confession on Tuesday 23rd March in St. John the Baptist Church at 6.15 p.m.

Recent Baptisms:Â Connor Liam McStravick-Hamill

Pastoral Area - Ballymore and Mullaghbrack, Drumcree, Kilmore, Loughgall - Mass will be broadcast on Radio Ulster, today 21st March, at 10.15 a.m. from St. Peter's Church, Collegeland.

Feasts: Tuesday 23rd St. Turibius;
Wednesday 24th St. Macartan;
Thursday 25th The Annunciation of the Lord.

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

Legion of Mary: Annual ACIES ceremony for active and auxiliary members on Sunday 21st March at 3 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church.Â Light refreshments.

Safeguarding Children - information evening on Thursday for Parish based societies and schools.

Drumcree College - Post Primary Review Consultation on the future for Portadown - Keady - Armagh. Brochures containing information and options and how to respond were distributed among pupils' families, staff and governors during the week.Â They are also available in Churches for the wider Parish Community.Â The consultation proces remains open until 31st May 2010.Â See also www.pprce.orgÂ Â

SHYNE - have their own notice board in both Churches - check them for information as well as Bulletin and Parish Website.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOTES

ALPHA - The course continues on Wednesday

Cemertery Sunday - 6th June at 11.30am

Trip:Drumcree Old Church in Cultra Sunday 27thJune.

Parish WeeklyÂ Envelopes April 2010 - March 2011 are available for collection. Any changes regarding names or address or those wishing to have envelopes please call to the sacristy.

Offertory Collection
Sunday 14th - Â£2650-04
Thanks to all who contributed
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Stations of the Cross on DVD available in Churches Â£6

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Requiescant In Pace

Lately deceased:Â Danny Tallon, Anne McAtarsney, Kathleen Bennett, John Thompson, Malachy O'Hagan

At This Time:Â Harry Murray, Gerry McCann, James Bunting, Johann & Gerda Hainold, Patrick Sharkey, Catherine & John Sharkey, Phila Prunell, Alipio Jordao Do Carino

Sunday 21st :Â Mary Quinn, Frank McLoughlin, Mary Vallely, Vanessa CrummieÂ Â

Monday 22nd:Â Sarah Kelly, Elizabeth Creaney, Elizabeth McCann, Gerald Toland, Terry Davis, Kitty Daly, Alice DalyÂ

Tuesday 23rd:Â M.M. Rita Litter, Peter Kelly, Felix Dalzell, Mary

McKeever, Nano McKeown, Rosalie Taggart, Jack GrimleyÂ Wednesday 24th: Michael Smith(1st Anniversary), James Creaney, Susan Ann McNally, Harry Breen, Owen Brankin, Bridget Reynolds, FrankÂ Reid, Daniel O'NeillÂ Thursday

25th: Renate Kleffel, Georgine Creaney, Nancy Heyburn, Pat Shevlin, Ellen Lappin, Mary McLoughlin, Bridgid Brown,

Kathleen Brown, Mary Muldoon , Peggy HendronÂ Friday 26th: Ralph McNally, Eamon O'Callaghan, Martha Nugent,

James Marley, Agnes McCann, Peter James McCann, Jim McClean, Patrick BuntingÂ Saturday 27th:Â Noel Toland,

Jimmy Connolly, Dan McAreavey

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.

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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, 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.

Knock Summer Festival - "Walk By Faith". - for people aged 18 - 35 yrs - 25th - 27th June. A great opportunity to step out of the busyness of life to question, explore, ignite and celebrate your faith. The festival costs £70 which includes food, accommodation and access to all that is happening. For more information contact 00353949388100 or visit www.knock-shrine.ie/youthfestival

Drumcree Community Centre: 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 after a child 0-4yrs - every Wednesday 10.30am-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. 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: 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.

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.

Entertainment - Saturday 20th March 3's A Crowd, £3. Saturday 27th March Boo, £3.

We've got Talent - Final in Drumcree College this Tuesday 25th March at 7.30 p.m. Raffle in aid of Romania. Tickets £5. Phone 38337745 or 07707287843.

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

information phone Centre 38337524.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage - 2nd May, £539, (fully inclusive 7 nights). Ex Belfast. Spiritual Directors Fr. John Gates & Fr. Tommy McNulty. Contact Maureen McKeown - 37522188 or 07752465339.

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

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 Mary Immaculate College. Please send information to Justin Fitzgerald, History Dept., Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road, Limerick.

Are you up for a challenge? St. John the Baptist PTA present a Table Quiz with a difference - Friday 16th April, 7.45 p.m. in the school. Admission £5 per person (includes hot supper). To register your team phone 38336211. Teams to be registered before Monday 11th April.

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

Rosemary Nelson (d. 15th March 1999): there will be a brief Service of Remembrance this Sunday evening, 21st March, at 6.30 p.m. in Drumcree Community Centre. Refreshments to follow. All welcome.

Cumann Seanchais Ard Mhacha - Spring 2010 lectures:

Wednesday 14th April at 8 p.m. in the Cardinal O'Fiach Library,

Armagh. Speaker Professor Eileen Kane. Topic "Cardinal Paul Cullen and the visual arts". All welcome.

Are you Hurting by Suicide/Bullying? Meeting Friday 26th March at 7.30 p.m. above Credit Union (Mandeville Street, Portadown). Come along have a cup of tea and chat. All welcome.

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Reflection

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And Jesus started writing on the ground with his finger

People have wondered and imagined
what Jesus wrote when they asked him
to condemn the woman.

Whatever he wrote
encouraged the woman to stay with him,
and put some pressure on the accusers to move away.

Maybe he just doodled - wrote nothing
sensible?

Or did he write so - that the woman could
see -

`Stay here, I am with you'.
And the woman knew,
like all of us know when we're in trouble
that Jesus is on our side.

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Or did he write so that the onlookers could see -

`Change your hearts,
be renewed,
forgive in your hearts
and come back - sin no more'.

Maybe he wrote what he later said -
`I do not condemn you, sin no more.'
And all knew they were in the presence
of love, forgiveness and acceptance.

Some, like the woman, could take this
and stayed to get to know this Jesus.
Others, like the accusers, went away,
but maybe they came back later,
to get to know this Jesus.

No matter what,
we know that he will stay with each of us,

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Eucharist each day,
forgiveness and acceptance
all the days of our life.

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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.