18th April 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.

www.drumcreeparish.com St. John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road, (1777) - 1977 St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835 18th April 2010 Third Sunday of Easter

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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. Â Weekday Masses: St. John the Baptist Tuesday - Friday 7p.m. St. Patrick's Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. Monday 7p.m. (Novena -Miraculous Medal) Â Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thursdays in St. John the Baptist Church beginning at 6 p.m. Â Devotions 1st and 2nd Sunday Α Confessions: St. Patrick's Saturday - 12.30 - 1.15 p.m. St. John the Baptist Saturday - 6.15 - 6.45 p.m. Â 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. Â Marriage: At least three months notice must be given to the Priests of the Parish. Â Phone Numbers: Â Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610 Fr. White 38332218 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850 Â Holy Week and Easter: Â it is now a few weeks since our liturgical celebrations and gatherings and people are still talking and reflecting on how we celebrated from Passion Sunday; the honest and change of heart celebration of confession; the dignified celebration of the Lord's Supper and adoration of the Eucharist which followed; the solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion and the SHYNE Stations of the Cross who should get an award for Best Adaptation of Faith and Truth Awareness; the patient prayerfulness of the Prayers of the Church on Holy Saturday morning and the anticipated joy of the blessing of Easter Breakfast food for the Polish Community (now in deep mourning); the faith filled and faithfilled and grace pouring celebrations of the Easter Vigil and the Easter Morning Masses; the sun blessed early morning celebration of the Dawn Service at the lakes. Â It was as if Jesus walked among us as he did in the Holy Land - great crowds accompanied him then and here in Drumcree. It says something of our faith in God, our hope in the promises of Christ, our love for each other. Our

growing in faith through our participation in some or all of these celebrations takes effort and openness of heart on our part and makes the effort of so many who help prepare all the celebrations worthwhile. On your thank all who played behalf IÂ thank all who played a part in our celebrations of those days.

Year for Priests Triduum - we welcome Bishop Donal McKeown, Auxiliary Bishop in Down and Conor, as celebrant at Saturday evening Mass. Devotion on Sunday 18th at 7 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. All welcome to pray for priests and vocations. Organised by St. Joseph's Young Priest Society. Â

The Polish Community request our prayers following the death of President Lech Kaczyski, his wife and 94 Polish citizens last weekend. May the dead rest in peace and may their families and fellow citizens experience the peace of the Risen Christ.

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Easter Water blessed at the Easter Vigil, available in Churches - supplied by Knghts of Columbanus, from St. Patrick's Well at

Mahon Road. Pictures of the Well are displayed in St. John the Baptist Church.

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Parish Gift Programme - for those preparing for Confirmation, continues in St. Mary's Youth Club on Friday 6.30 p - 8.15 p.m.

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Minister of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 20th Maura Berry.

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Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 19th 10 a.m. Denis

McCourt.ÂÂ 7 p.m. Janet O'Neill.

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Trocaire - money to date is £9022. Thanks to all who contributed and helped to count it. Contributions may still be left in the Churches.

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Recent Baptisms:Â Maebh Ann Byrne,

Rian Joseph McKeever, Kyle Wallace

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Sacrament of Marriage:Â congratulations to Nuala Harrison and Joseph Smith who were married recently.

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Feasts: Wednesday 21st St. Anselm; Friday 23rd St. George, St. Adalbert of Prague; Saturday 24th St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen. Â Â

Relics of St. John Vianney - to mark the Year for Priests, the relics of the Cure of Ars will come to St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, on Wednesday 28th April: Mass at 12.30pm and 7.30pm.

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Pastoral Area Resource Team meeting in Armagh on Thursday 22nd April.

Â St. Patrick's College, Maynooth: Open Day Invitation - Sunday 25th April (Good Shepherd Sunday). Commencing 2.30 p.m. concluding with Mass 5 p.m. www.maynoothcollege.ie/seminary

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Altar Society: have you an hour on Friday evenings to help with the cleaning of St. John the Baptist Church? - contact Francis in the sacristy.

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Dromantine Inter-Church Gathering on Saturday 8th May 1.30-5.30pm. Tel 30821964. All welcome.

Â PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOTES

Cemertery Sunday - 6th June at 11.30am

Trip:Drumcree Old Church in Cultra Sunday 27thJune.

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Parish Weekly 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.

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Offertory Collection Sunday 11th - £2710-58 Thanks to all who contributed

Â Fr. O'Dwyer & Fr. White thank all who contributed to the Easter Dues Â **Requiescant In Pace** Lately deceased: Â Denis Corr, Rita McParland, Tommy Livingstone Sunday 18th :Â Mary Grimley, Margaret McVeigh, Peter McGrane, James McAreavy, Peter Joseph McEvoy, Da Rosa & Nunes Families, Dennis Watson Â Monday 19th:Â Arthur Cush, Julia Monaghan, James Millsopp, Tom McClean Tuesday 20th:Â Rita Murray(1st Anniversary), Hugh Madden, James McCormick, Bernie Prunty, Daniel O'NeillÂ Wednesday 21st : M.M. Annette Holland, Bobby O'Neill, Mary Jane O'Neill, Å Annie Reilly, Cassie O'Connor, Billy Murphy, Catherine Kelly, Adrian Lamph, Bobby Smith, Peter McEvoy Thursday 22nd:Â John Goodwin, Arthur Walsh, Dennis McGarry, Micheal Byrne Friday 23rd:Â Nan Reid(1st Anniversary), Lily Murphy, Frank McCann, John Loftus, Mary Catherine Kelly Saturday 24th:Â Mary McCann, Sean Donnelly, Martin Reynolds, Eileen Nugent, Nellie McGoldrick, Isabella Daly, Gerard Jones Â Anniversaries late for bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on the proper day. Â 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. Â 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. Â 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 Â 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 Wednesday 10.30am-12.30pm. Feileacan - parent and child group Fridays 2pm-3.30pm Â 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. Â 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. Healthy Skin, Healthy You Workshops, Tuesday 20th & 27th April & 4th May, 7 - 9 p.m. Free. English Classes Thursday morning 10am Arts and Crafts Classes from 7 - 8.30pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. For more information contact Carol on 38339916. Â Tir Na nOg GFC: Minor Training Monday at club. U10 Training at Club, Fridays 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 St. Mary's Youth Centre - Girls Football Coaching every Monday evening 7.15 - 8.15 p.m.ŠAges 10 - 14 yrs.ŠCost ţ1.Å Å For more information phone Centre 38337524. Â Drumcree College: Post Primary Review Consultation on the future for Portadown - Keady - Armagh. Brochures containing information and options of how to respond were distributed among pupil's families, staff and governors. They are also available in Churches for the wider Parish Community. Â The consultation process remains open until 31st May 2010 Â Southern Area Hospice - Croagh Patrick Challenge:Â Saturday 12th June, overnight stay in Castlecourt Hotel, Westport.Â Participants must pay £50 deposit and raise £200 (minimum) sponsorship to cover all travel and accommodation costs.Â For more information call Denise or Siobhan on 028 3025 1333. Â St. John's Scouts - Deal or no Deal event on Friday 23rd April in Tir Na nOg. Top prize £1000. Â Tickets available from any leader or Tir Na nOg Club.

Down & Conor Diocese - Pilgrimage to Lourdes (JWT) - 10th July - 7 nights. Â£599 ex Belfast. Phone 38361289.

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Forthcoming Elections:Â If you need a postal/proxy vote, or an

Electoral ID, contact your local MLA's office or contact the Electoral Office, Banbridge, 02890446688.

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Adoption: Family Care Society is presently seeking adoptive families who would be interested in parenting children aged between 3 - 8 years and who need the love and attention of a caring and understanding family. For further information contact the society on:

Belfast 90-691133 or Derry 71-368592.

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ACCORD - Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service:Â Please contact Susannah or Sheila on 02838 334781.

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St. Joseph's Young Priest Society - Easter Draw - 1st Naoise Moore, Lurgan. 2nd Niall McEvoy, Newry. 3rd Patsy Ann Day,

Portadown. 4th Noreen McNally, Portadown. 5th Brian Hughes, Portadown. Total raised £1133. Thanks to all who contributed.

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StageAid presents `Uncle Tommy's Wake' in The community Hall, Gilford on Friday 23rd April at 8 p.m. Ticket £5. Proceeds to the third world.

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