## 15th May 2011

## 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

15th May 2011 Fourth Sunday of Easter

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 Monday 10am Tuesday - Friday 7p.m. St. Patrick's Tuesday - 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.

Devotions1st & 2nd Sunday -October - June

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 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Masses Saturday 21st May. The 10am will not be celebrated. 11am First Communion in St John the Baptist Church. 2pm and 4pm Wedding Masses in St. Patrick's Church. 7pm Mass St John the Baptist Church. Anniversaries for Saturday will be prayed for at Friday Masses and Saturday 7pm Mass.

Minister of the Eucharist - St. John the Baptist, week beginning 16th Mary Maura Berry.

Ministry of The Word - Week beginning 16th - 10 a.m. Denis McCourt. 7 p.m. Janet O'Neill.

Eucharistic Congress 2012: The next stage in the preparation for the Eucharistic Congress is now underway. Stage one

focused on the Assembly and the gathering of the Community. The second stage will focus on the Word of God. This stage will help us become more attentive as we listen and are nourished by God speaking to us through the living word of the scriptures.

You are invited to an evening of reflection, talk and discussion on Wednesday 25th May at 7.45 p.m. in Drumcree Pastoral

Centre. All welcome.

Recent Baptisms:Â Anjela Tavares, Aimee Mary Reid, Collum Eric Matchett

Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Thursday 19th May after evening Mass.

Pastoral Centre: Cafe Bethany open after 10am Mass on Monday.

First Holy Communion for P4 children attending Ballyoran CPS on Saturday 21st May at 11 a.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. All welcome.

Lourdes Collection: Thanks to all who gave so generously to the Church Door collection last weekend. Total £1680-74 and 17 Euro.

Legion of Mary: Annual Retreat to Benburb Sunday 22nd May. Bus leaves St. Patrick 9 a.m., St. Mary's Hall 9.10 a.m., St. John the Baptist 9.30 a.m. Cost, including transport, £25. To book phone 38334245.

Christian Aid Week - 15th - 21st May - helping people in poverty out of poverty. The local Committee seek volunteers to help with collections - if interested please contact F. O'Dwyer.

Craigavon Area Hospital invites you to a Service of Remembrance to give thanks for and to remember all babies who have died in the hospital, Sunday 22nd May at 3 p.m. in the main hospital building. For an act of remembrance you may wish to bring a flower. Â All welcome.

SUNDAY FUNDAY - SUNDAY 22nd MAY

Please note annual fun day has been postponed to above date. Friends of St. John the Baptist P.S. present the annual fun day. Fun for all the family. BBQ, Bouncy Castles, Games, Side Shows, Face Painting etc. All welcome.

St. Joseph's Young Priest's Society: An Evening of Spring Floral Displays by Fr. Sean McEvoy on Tuesday 24th May at 8 p.m. in Drumcree Pastoral Centre. Admission £5 (light supper included). Phone Kathleen 38337603.

Adoration Core Group meeting on Thursday 19th May in the Pastoral Centre after evening Mass.

Offertory Collection Sunday 8th £2470-54 Thanks to all who contributed

Requiescant in Pace Lately Deceased: Fr Peter McParland, Mary McCann, Mary Corr At This Time: Joan Farnan, John Morgan, Francis McShane Sunday 15th: Aaron Reynolds, Eilish Magee, Tony Taggart, Thomas Holland, Alda Guterres, Sam Connolly Monday 16th: Â Isabel Imaculada, Dominic Fox, Luke Haughian, Sarah Foy Tuesday 17th: Peggy McAlinden, Bobby Matchett, Ana Paula, Lena McCann, Edward Fearnon, Paddy Beattie, Sarah McKeever Wednesday 18th: Â Margaret Hollywood, Tommy Falls, Annie Dympna Breen, Lily Garvey Thursday 19th: Maria Imaculada, Martin Murphy, Dermot Connolly, franko Duffy, John Handy Â Friday 20th: Â Cassie Furphy(1st Anniversary), Bridget & Leo Larkin, James McDonnell, Leo McCourt, Edith O'Neill Saturday 21st: Â Billy Bogues, Gerard Beattie, Jackie O'Neill Anniversaries late for Bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on proper day Â

When submitting notices for the bulletine please include a contact name and telephone number Notices and anniversaries should be left in by the Wednesday prior to publication.

St. Vincent De Paul Society URGENTLY REQUIRED!! Ladies, Men's and Children's clothing. Clothes shop, tel. 38393898 or Furniture shop tel. 38394219, Mayfair Business Centre. Monday - Friday 10am- 3pm.Â Saturday 10am - 1 pm. NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours. Â

Exploring Spirituality Through Art at Lough Derg Wednesday 25th May: Interested in expressing your spirituality through art or using art to explore your spirituality? This new Retreat is open to those who wish to explore their spirituality and creativity in the unique island setting. The day will be led by Paul Grey, with a panel of three artists, representing the mediums of art, photography and poetry.

Arrive on Island 9.30 a.m. - 10 a.m. Leave 4.30 p.m. Cost E50 per person, which includes boat fare, tea/coffee and scones on arrival and light lunch. Book now at www.loughderg.org Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal. Telephone 00353 71 9861518. Email info@loughderg.org

Knock Summer Festival `Fuel for The Journey' - 24th - 26th June.

The festival is a three day event and over the three days there will be talks, workshops, prayer, reflection, music and much more happening. It is a chance to come away and explore, ignite and celebrate your faith. The festival is for all people ages 18 - 35 and the cost of the weekend is E70 (this includes all food and accommodation). For more info contact the Youth Ministry on 0949388100 / 0876927850. Look on facebook or check out www.knock-shrine.ie/youthfestival

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Clonmacnois, Co Offaly - Thursday 4th - Sunday 7th August. For young people aged 16 - 35, an

opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new friends. Donation only. Free buses available from around N. Ireland. For more information contact 07706736677 or book online: www.youth2000.ie

Wanted â€" Your Old Photographs of Parish Life. As part of the new Parish Pastoral Centre we will be compiling a special montage of

photographs of life in our Parish over the years. Have you any old [or even not so old] photographs that you can share? We will copy the photographs and return them in perfect condition – we promise. Have a hunt in your old photo albums and if you find anything interesting simply leave it in the sacristy. We would love your help with this project to add to the beauty of our centre.

"Walk with me" prayer booklets for Eastertide available in Churches. Â£1.

New Missal for Advent:Â some new wording for the prayers during Mass:Â a leaflet from the Irish Bishops "Introducing the New Missal" is available in Churches.

Knock - Diocesan Pilgrimage - Sunday 29th May.

Monaghan Charismatic Prayer Group announces the visit of Fr. Fernando Suarez on Wednesday May 25th May at 8 p.m. in St. Louis Convent Chapel, Monaghan.

Tir Na nOg GFC: Bingo every Tuesday 8.15 p.m. All support needed.

Portadown Neighbourhood Policing Team: Community Awareness Meeting on Tuesday 24th May 12 noon - 1 p.m. in Ashgrove

Community Centre, Garvaghy Road. All welcome.

Marie Curie Cancer Care: Sponsored Walk in Lurgan Park, Wednesday 18th May from 6.30 p.m. For entry form contact Margaret on 38343411 or Phil 90882066. Craigavon Sponsored Cycle on Saturday 21st May - beginning Oxford Island - call 90882066/67 for entry form.

Southern Area Hospice Services - `Walkies' Sponsored Dog Walk, Peatlands Park, Saturday 21st May, 2 p.m. Complete a registration form, available from Hospice Shop. Return form along with £5 Registration fee. You will receive Sponsorship form.

www.southernareahospiceservices.org

Getting married during the next few months - please contact Fr. O'Dwyer to confirm date, time, Church and celebrant. Â

Cemetery Sunday - 5th June at 11.30am Mass.

Safeguarding Children: vetting procedure - the Belfast office has written to some Parishioners regarding their vetting forms - those

concerned should contact a member of the Parish Safeguarding Committee.

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Reflection

## PRAYER

God of our lives You are always calling us to follow you in to the future, inviting us to new ventures, new challenges, new ways to care, new ways to touch into the hearts of all. When we are fearful of the unknown, give us courage. When we worry that we are not up to the tas, remind us that you would not call us if you did not believe in us. When we get tired, or feel disappointed with the way things are going remind us that you can bring change and hope out of the most difficult situations. God of our lives create new hearts within us. Â We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need furtherdevelopment. We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities. We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.

PARISH -BE A PART OF IT OR BE APART FROM IT

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

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