

22nd 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.

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St. John the Baptist Church, Garvaghy Road, (1777) - 1977

St. Patrick's Church, William Street - 1835

22nd May 2011

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

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.

Devotions 1st & 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:

Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610

Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

Minister of the Eucharist - St. John the Baptist, beginning 23rd Martin Barlow.

Ministry of The Word - Week beginning 23rd - 10 a.m. Patricia Doran. 7 p.m. Margaret Marley

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. The meetings are open to all but they may have a particular appeal to Ministers of The Word, Ministers of The Eucharist, Liturgy Groups and all who are interested in developing their faith.

Recent Baptisms: Molly Patricia Andrea Mulligan, Casper Stanislaw Wojtkowiak

First Holy Communion for P4 children attending St. John the Baptist P.S. at 11 a.m. Rang 4 attending Bun Scoil at 1 p.m. both celebrations on Saturday 28th May in St. John the Baptist Church. All welcome. Congratulations to Ballyoran CPS children who received their First Communion yesterday.

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

Cemetery Sunday - 5th June at 11.30am Mass. Please bring Holy water with you for the blessing of graves.

SPIRITFEST 2011: prayer and spirituality in the Catholic tradition. 1st to 3rd July in Armagh. This is an opportunity for interested people to develop and enrich their faith in how to pray and deepen their faith journey. Booking forms are available in the Church to be returned next weekend. More information can be found on the Parish website.

Feasts: Wednesday 25th St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi; Thursday 26th St. Philip Neri; Friday 27th St. Augustine of Canterbury

SUNDAY FUNDAY - SUNDAY 29th MAY

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. Third time lucky!

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.

Next meeting of the Society will be held on Wednesday 25th May in the Pastoral Centre after 7.30 p.m. Mass.

Knights of St. Columbanus: the recent Church door collection amounted to £725-16. Thanks to all who gave so generously.

Coffee Morning - to raise funds to send young people to Kenya - Saturday 4th June 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre.

Knock - Diocesan Pilgrimage - Sunday 29th May.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society will be organising a bus for their pilgrimage on June 25th - details later.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 15th £2260-43

Thanks to all who contributed

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Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased: Fr Peter McParland, Mary McCann, Mary Corr, Peter Quinn, P.J. McCormac

At This Time: Margaret McCann, Alice Clare Morgan, Michael Reid, Kathleen Mullan

Sunday 22nd: Kathleen Loughran, Patrick Henry Lavery, Mary Alice Bennett, Dr. Marie McAnallen, Mary Coleman

Monday 23rd: Elizabeth O'Hanlon, Gerald McAlinden, Junior McConville, Angela Kelly

Tuesday 24th: Baby Ryan Americo Victor (1st Anniversary), Seamus Maguinness, Roisin McClinton, Patrick Murray, Vera Kelly, Maurice McClean, John McCann, Robert Duffy, Thomas Heyburn, Matthew Sloan, Peter Lappin, Dominic Marley

Wednesday 25th: Margaret Garvey, William James Mulholland, Edward McVeigh

Thursday 26th: Mary Nugent, Joe McCormack, Marie Mallon, Addis McNally, Mary Freeburn

Friday 27th: Patrick Gallagher, Karl Mercer, Kathleen Corry, Mary Grimes

Saturday 28th: Gerry Harbinson, Charlie McCann, Una O'Neill, Gerrard McDonnell, Mannix McDonnell, Colette Coyle

Anniversaries late for Bulletin should be left in the Sacristy for inclusion on 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.

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.

Saturday 10am - 1 pm. NEW SELF HELP LINE - 38339639. Response within 48 hours.

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

Bereavement Support Group based in Dungannon invites those interested to Drop-In Days being held at Aras Mhuire, Shamble Lane, Dungannon. May dates: Monday 23rd and Monday 30th 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wednesday 25th 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Appointments can also be made by contacting 07857108988. You are not alone. We can help at this difficult time.

Drumcree College: Trocaire collection amounted to £215. Thanks to all who contributed.

Trip Italy - Stresa on Lake Maggiore - leaving 4th September for 7 days, staying at the 4 Star Grand Hotel Bristol. Inclusive cost of Euro 1140 covers Aer Lingus Flight coaches, tours, insurance, bed breakfast and evening meal arrangement. Accommodation double or twin room. Single rooms are scarce and cost extra. 140 Euro secures seat. Contact Canon Michael Crawley or Nuala on 37531242.

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

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.

St. Malachy's Hurling Club: "Playing for the Future" Multi Sports weekend - Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th June, 2.30 - 5.30 p.m. £10 for 2 days, includes BBQ and refreshments. Hurling, Football, Rugby and Gaelic Football. All welcome. To book contact Thomas 07821579451 or James 07514070390

Fr Kilian Byrne, Foyer priest, will be at The Good Shepherd Church, Bessbrook June 18th 2pm to 6pm - teaching, information, healing, prayer, Mass - contact Hugh Donnelly at 30830904.

Lough Derg ONE DAY RETREATS Places are still available on the following days: 23rd, 24th, 28th, 29th & 30th May.

Cost: £30 includes boat fare and a light lunch.

THREE DAY PILGRIMAGE you may begin your pilgrimage on any day of the week from Wednesday 1st June until Saturday 13th August. Cost: £55 includes boat fare and accommodation. For bookings or further information Visit: www.loughderg.org

Email: info@loughderg.org Tel: 028 686 32391

Reflection

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I am the Way, the Truth and the Life

The way that guides our steps, another name for the Lord Jesus.

Like a path guides us through a forest in the mist,
the Lord guides our way in life.

He has walked our ways before:

knowing bereavement and failure,
knowing rejection and poverty,
knowing loneliness and loss of faith.

He is the Truth that enlightens our minds;
like a glimpse of light in the fog;
he gives meaning in times of emptiness,
some experiences of peace in confusion,
and certainty that we can find the Truth of Life
in the gospel of his Father.

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And he is the Life.

He gives hope and comfort in our yearnings for fullness,
he gives a confidence that the biggest gift of all is life,
and that in emptiness and in pain,
in doubt and confusion,
he offers a new surge of life,
the life that comes from knowing
that we are loved intensely
and called to love as best we can in life.

Thus we live in
the way, the truth and the life of God,
in Jesus Christ,
for he says,
I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

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

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

THE JOY RULE
THINK OF JESUS
THINK OF OTHERS
THINK OF YOURSELF