

5th June 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

5th June 2011

Solemnity of the Ascension

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

Ministers of the Eucharist

St. John the Baptist, week beginning 6th Eddie McVeigh.

Ministry of The Word

Week beginning 6th - 10 a.m. Tommy Mallon. 7 p.m. Ursula Barlow.

Recent Baptisms: Klaudia Bednarek, Daniel Guy Da Silva, Eoin Joseph Hannaway

First Holy Communion: children attending Presentation P.S. will receive their First Holy Communion next Saturday 11th June at 11 a.m. in St. Patrick's Church. All welcome.

Saturday 11th June - there will not be a 10 a.m. Mass in St. Patrick's.

Armagh Diocesan Liturgy Commission

has organised workshops with Fr. Liam Lawton when he will be introducing his new Mass setting and some other music in preparation for the new additions to the Mass beginning on the First Sunday of Advent. Fr. Liam has been commissioned by GIA Publications to compose a new Mass setting which is called The Glendalough Mass, written in Irish. The workshops are in St. Patrick's Primary School, Dungannon on 8th June and in Ballymascanlon House Hotel, Dundalk on 9th June. The workshops will start at 7.30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. The cost of this workshop (which includes book and CD) will be £12 or Euro15 and is payable on the evening.

Variety Concert Friday 10th June - local youth artists - Starts 8 p.m. in Drumcree Pastoral Centre. Ticket £5, Senior Citizen £3, Children £2-50. Available Winnies and after Masses this weekend. Proceeds towards Parish Developing World Project - Romania.

Portadown Inter-Church Forum are holding a cross-community service - Pentecost for a Broken People - on Friday 10th June at 8pm in St Patrick's Church. Rev Dr Ruth Patterson, Director of Restoration Ministries, will speak. All welcome.

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

St. Joseph's Young Priest's Society:

Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday 25th June. Fare £30 (including dinner). Bus will leave St. John's car park at 7 a.m. If interested Phone Kathleen 38337603 or Theresa 38331629.

Cemetery Sunday today at 11.30am Mass - please receive Holy Communion at the gasebo places - housebound Parishioners should be able to join us by radio.

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. Need help with the booking forms or seek more information - come to Bethany Cafe after 10am Mass Monday or check out the Parish website.

Portadown Junior Phoenix Players - "Les Miserables". Registration and auditions will be held in St. Columba's School, Saturday 11th June, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Ages 6 - 21 yrs. welcome. For more information contact Dennis on 07796925068.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 29th £2651-47

Thanks to all who contributed

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Requiescant in Pace

Lately Deceased: Terence Crawford, Jonathan Griffin, Luis De'sa Benevides

At This Time: Bernard McQuaid, Hugh Boyle, Patrick Fearon, Patrick & Margaret Hyde, Matias De'sa Benevides

Sunday 5th: Teddy Cusack, Annie McVeigh, William James McDowell, Laurence Dempsey, Kathleen McGlade

Monday 6th: Patrick Cullen, Eileen McNeice, William Atkinson

Tuesday 7th: May McNeice, Rachael McCooe, Mary Lappin, John Harrison

Wednesday 8th: M.M. Mary McCann, Kenneth McNally, Martin McKee, Margaret Davies, Patrick Gallagher, Joseph

Bunting

Thursday 9th: James McCavanagh, Monica Mulholland, Eileen Downey

Friday 10th: M.M. Mary Corr, Seamus Gallagher, Peggy McKee, Mary Donnelly

Saturday 11th: Noel McAtamney

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

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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.

Feasts: Monday 6th St. Norbert, St. Jarlath; Tuesday 7th St. Colman; Thursday 9th St. Columba; Saturday 11th St. Barnabas..

Coaches to the Rally for Life - a massive pro-life rally will be held in Dublin city centre on Saturday 2nd July. Coaches

will be travelling to the Rally from various towns across N. Ireland.Â Book your seat NOW.Â For details of pick-up points in your area please contact the Rally for Life Committee on 028 90278484 or www.preciouslife.com

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.Â It is a chance to come away and explore, ignite and celebrate your faith.Â The festival is for all people ages 18 - 35 and the cost of the weekend is E70 (this includes all food and accommodation).Â For more info contact the Youth Ministry on 0949388100 / 0876927850.Â Look on facebook or check out www.knock-shrine.ie/youthfestival

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Clonmacnois, Co Offaly - Thursday 4th - Sunday 7th August.Â For young people aged 16 - 35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new friends.Â Donation only.Â Free buses available from around N. Ireland.Â For more information contact 07706736677 or book online: www.youth2000.ie

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

Trocaire - monies can still be left in the Churches - Thanks to St John the Baptist PS for their recent contribution Â£71.50.

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

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

St. Mary's Amateur Boxing Club:Â Enrolment and training as follows:- 8 - 12 yrs 7 - 8 p.m.Â 13 - 17 yrs 8 - 9 p.m.Â Everyone welcome.

Faith Matters in 2011 - This is a series of monthly talks on key issues of faith.Â It takes place in the Armagh Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Dundalk.Â The next talk will take place on Thursday 9th June 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. and will be given by Brian McKee.Â The topic is "Church and the Centrality of Young People".Â Brian has vast experience of working with young people as Youth Director in the Diocese of Down and Connor.Â A former teacher, he is a well-known national speaker on faith issues.

Dromantine Family Fun Day - Sunday 12th June, 1.30 p.m.

A day not to be missed!Â Attractions include a Country and Western Extravaganza, Vintage Tractors, Marching Bands, Funfair, Bouncy Castles, Gaelic Football Tournament, Stalls and much more.

BIG AUCTION - BIG ASK! -Â Thursday 16th June, 7 Canagolabeg Rd., Portadown.Â Family Fun Night.Â Auction of farm machinery, livestock, household items and more.Â Donations welcome.Â Proceeds to Water for Life projects.

Portadown Neighbourhood Policing Team:Â Community Awareness Mornings in Ashgrove Community Centre Tuesday 7th June and Tuesday 21st June, 12 noon - 1 p.m.Â Members of the public are invited to discuss any issues that they may wish to raise with the police.

GIY - Grow It Yourself - launch in Portadown Wednesday 8th June 7.30-9pm at Vineyard Centre, Glendenning Drive - grow your own food and meet others of like minds - for more info contact Chris at 38398668 or www.giyireland.com

Reflection

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Why are you standing here, looking into the sky?

It's a strange sort of parting,
the feast of the Ascension.
It looks as if Jesus is gone forever.
As if the word made flesh is now
the human flesh become a divine spirit.

And his friends looked into the sky,
lost, bereft, confused,
because he said he would be with them,
all days even to the end of time.

It's a strange sort of parting,
because it's a new sort of presence.

Listen to what he had said:
where two or three are gathered in my name
there I am among you,
those who eat my flesh and drink my blood
live in me and I in them,

I make my home in you,
make your home in me.

And these are statements of presence,
the real presence of Jesus
in love,
in sacrament,
in friendship.

Why are you standing here, looking into the sky?
For the Lord we seek is among us.

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