31st July 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

31st July 2011 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

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: Â Fr. O'Dwyer 38350610 Parish Mobile - Emergency No. 07841101850

First Friday Notices:
Confessions - Thursday 4th
St. Patrick's Â 6 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
St. John's Â 7.30 p.m.
Masses - Friday 5th
St. Patrick's Â 10 a.m.(Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 10.30 a.m. - 6 p.m.)
St. John's Â 7 p.m.
First Friday calls: Presentation Sisters Dorothy and Yvonne, Eucharistic Ministers Eddie McVeigh and Martin Barlow, Deacon Ryan McAleer and Fr. O'Dwyer will visit this coming week.

Ministers of the Eucharist - August

Vigil Sharon Garland, Kathleen Lavery, Colm McCann, Patsy Lambe. 8.30 a.m. Margaret Marley, Catherine McCooe, Geraldine Lawless. 10 a.m. Ann Marie Hamill, Madeline O'Neill, Ann Fleming. 11.30 a.m. Ann Murphy, Declan McAtarsney, Bronagh Hagan, Kate Guy. St. Francis Ann Murphy. Rosemount Margaret Marley. St. John the Baptist, week beginning 1st Geraldine Lawless.

Ministry of The Word - August Vigil Louise Wilson. 8.30 a.m. Colm Hagan. 10 a.m. Ann Hamill & Margaret Donovan. 11.30 a.m. Niamh Marley. Week beginning 1st - 10 a.m. Peggy McKeever. Â 7 p.m. Geraldine Lawless.

Recent Baptisms: Hanna Kurowska, Daire John Hamilton

Sacrament of Marriage:Â congratulations to Orligh Johnston and Gareth McMeekin

Sr. Carmen Lee of the Missionary Sisters, Servants of the Holy Spirit will speak at Masses next weekend in the Parish.

Collection East Africa Drought Famine Relief -amount to date £6265-10. Thanks to all who gave so generously. Donations can still be left in collection basket.

Fr. David Moore has been appointed by Cardinal Brady to the Parish. Deo Gratias. He was here as a deacon some years ago. At present he is in Magherafelt Parish and will be here mid August. Other priests on the move who have served in Portadown Fr. Arty McAnerney to be CC Magherafelt, Fr. Seamus McGinley to be PP Beragh, Fr. Malachy Conlon to be PP Cooley, Fr. Eugene O'Neill (Primary School Religious Advisor) to be Adm. St. Patrick's Dundalk.

World Youth Day - `Mass of Sending' on Wednesday 3rd August in St. Patrick's Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. All welcome. 160 young people from the Diocese, including 37 from our Parish and Fr. O'Dwyer and Deacon Ryan McAleer (who continues his stay among us) will be tavelling to Madrid from 12th to 22nd August. Our own pilgrims will attend Mass next Sunday at 11.30am.

Fancy a good breakfast after Mass next Sunday morning? Come to the Pastoral Centre from 9am to 1pm. Best Breakfast Ever to support our young people going to World Youth day. All welcome.

Cemetery Cleanup took place Saturday 30th -donations welcome after Mass. Thank you.

Feasts:Â Monday 1st St. Alphonsus Liguori;Â Tuesday 2nd St. Eusebius of Vercelli, St. Peter Julian Eymard;Â Thursday 4th St. John Vianney;Â Saturday 6th The Transfiguration of The Lord.

Developing World Committee: Portadown Official 10K Run, we are asking for help to steward the race on August 6th, from approx. 10.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. Anyone taking part in the race can register (£10) in the Park from 9.30 a.m. on the morning. Contact Paddy 38352513 or Rosie 07743013122.

Safeguarding Children Committee - those with vetting forms should return them.

Offertory Collection Sunday 24th - £2460-02 Thanks to all who contributed Pastoral Centre: Cafe Bethany open after 10 a.m. Mass on Mondays Â Requiescant in Pace Lately Deceased: A Winifred McCourt, Eugenia de Oliveira, Beatriz de Sousa, Jim Derry, Lily Tennyson, Jean Priscilla Shevlin, Mollie Murrav At This Time: Philip Coleman, Mary Loftus Â Â Sunday 31st: Sr. Brigid Kavanagh(1st Anniversary), Ronald Watkins(1st Anniversary), Bronagh McNally Monday 1st: Catherine Foy, Mary McCann, Vera McDonald Tuesday 2nd:Â Theresa McCormick, James Tiffney, Bridget Devlin, Dan Murphy Wednesday 3rd: Bernard Dummigan, Gerry Loughlin Â Thursday 4th: Mona McCann, Kathleen McVeigh, Michael Turley Friday 5th: Michael Carvill, Rose Faloon, Mamie Hamill, George White, Patrick Mulholland, Patrick Kelly Â Saturday 6th: Mary McParland, Francis Brady 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.

Introducing the New Missal that will come into effect on the First Sunday of Advent:Â Some of the Prayers that are changing are printed below. We will start using them over the next few months. In September and October there will be an evening of reflection on the Mass and the changes to help us gain a better understanding and appreciation of the Sacred Liturgy.

In October we will start using the following Prayer responses:

Orate, fratres

Priest:Â Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People:Â May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Holy, holy, holy - Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

"Understanding the Revised Mass Texts" is a booklet to help understand and appreciate the great mystery of the Mass. Available in the Churches at £2.

In addition you may wish to view the brief video and further explanations which are now available on www.catholicbishops.ie. Related topics on the new edition of the Roman Missal are also on www.liturgy-ireland.ie.

Sr. Briege McKenna at Knock Shrine Monday 8th August. Coach £15, bring a packed lunch. Details and booking contact: Gabrielle at 028 87784964 or Grace at 028 87784942 or Marie at 028 38851517. St. Vincent De Paul Society

Next meeting Â Thursday 4th August 7.30 p.m.

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.

Senior Citizen Outing Wednesday 10th August. Ticket £3 (available in shop) Bus leaves Mayfair Business Centre 11 a.m. sharp. Pick up at St. Patrick's Hall 10.30 a.m., St. Mary's Hall 10.40 a.m. and St. John's 10.50 a.m.

`Bible Alive the Catholic Scripture magazine is available this month. Bible Alive follows the daily liturgical cycle and is a great way to discover the treasures and riches of the scriptures. The features and inspiring articles make Bible Alive an interesting and stimulating read.' Price £1.95. Highly recommended.

Youth 2000 National Retreat Clonmacnois, Co Offaly from 4th - 7th August. A weekend full of fun, workshops, prayer, music, dance and inspirational talks. Age group 16 + and its FREE.Â For more information contact Diocesan Youth Office at 37523084 or join us on FACEBOOK, ADYC be inspired.

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

Events for Children in August

Monday 1st - Friday 5th - Active Kids Week @ Drumcree Community Centre - All sports covered.

Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th- Mini-soccer camp @ St. John the Baptist P.S. Boys and girls aged 5 - 14yrs. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Coaches UEFA qualified. Scouts from leading English and Irish league clubs present. Mini soccer pack on completion.

Wednesday 17th - Friday 19th - Elite GAA training camp (boys and girls) aged 13 - 17 yrs. A Specialists from all sporting backgrounds as well as county players. A Training gear on completion.

Tuesday 23rd - Friday 26th - Tir Na nOg GFC Annual Underage Summer Camp - Boys and girls aged 4 - 12 yrs. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Fun pack on completion.

To book and for more information phone Paul 07708519249.

Slimming World Thursday 7.30pm Pastoral Centre.

Â Reflection

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He saw a large crowd and had compassion on them

A saint, Catherine of Siena, once said, `Where we see faults, God sees struggles.' You see people differently with the eye of compassion.

When Jesus saw the crowd without food he asked only how to feed them. No complaint as to why they had come without food, their lack of plans, not even a suggestion of impatience.

In poverty Jesus never asks why you're poor, his heart goes out to your poverty. His heart goes out to the unemployed person, not first asking why you have no job. His heart goes out to the single parent without question, without comment. Â Or with sins, the first movement of the heart of Christ is to forgive, to be compassionate, in relation with you.

He saw a large crowd and had compassion on them.

A marriage going badly, a relationship being abused, a conflict with parents, Jesus sees the suffering of the heart, and wants to help.

He gives that sense of wholeness, never judging a person on one aspect of personality. Faults are struggles, and in knowing you're fully known and accepted, you can accept the bread of strength and move on stronger, whole, loved. He saw a large crowd and had compassion on them.

PARISH -BE A PART OF IT 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 OTHERS THINK OF YOURSELF