<u>GLENAVY APOSTOLIC WORKERS</u>: are holding their Annual Spring Sale in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 8th April. Usual stall—Tombola, Bric a Brac, Cakes and Ballot. Church Door Collection. All proceeds in aid the Missions.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Bookings are now open for the 2018 Pilgrimage. Seven nights (10-17 July) £725pps. Five nights (11-16 July) £650pps. Five nights for pilgrims requiring nursing/personal car staying in Accueil Notre Dame (11-16 July) £550. Youth Team 8-17 July) £590. Forms available from the Parish Office or contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office (028) 90646040 or email lourdes@downandconnor.org

<u>ST VINCENT DE PAUL</u> Emergency Helpline Crumlin/Aldergrove 07754427088. New members needed, for further details please contact the helpline number

<u>GLENAVY AND KILLEAD BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:</u> A member of the Bethany Group may be contacted on the following phone number 07746032796

<u>GH TYRES AND AUTO SERVICES:</u> 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General Service and repairs Tel:94423113.

TEMPORARY KITCHEN STAFF required for Crumlin/Antrim areas—term-time only if interested phone 94423570.

<u>ST CLARE'S BOWLING CLUB</u> has completed a successful season maintaining our place in the Lisburn League and getting to the final of the Rosebowl Charity Competition. We will be restarting on September 3rd and would like you to join us. Contact Joe 94422798 or Sinnead 94453972

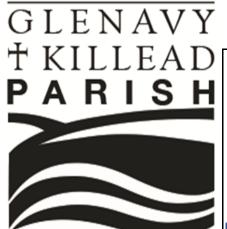
To book St Clare's Community Hall please PHONE: 075 1777 9334.

FUNERAL HOSPITALITY: Please note St Clare's Hall has it's own team who cater for After Funeral Receptions. They provide a friendly and caring service. To book the hall please phone 0751 777 9334. **COFFEE MORNING** every Friday 10.00am—11.00am **ST CLARE'S BOWLING CLUB** meets on Mondays & Wednesdays 8-10pm . Come join and enjoy. **BOOK CLUB** every third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm **GLENCLARE FRIENDSHIP GROUP** every Wednesday at 11.00am **PILATES** Tuesday 7.30pm and 8.30pm 07738111281 **BIG AND SMALL COMPANY FOR ALL(PARENTS & TODDLER GROUP)** Friday's 10.00am—12noon.

Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall Thursdays at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.

Jackpot £1,000 in **45** Numbers Line£15 House £25 **Scoop** £25 Line House £50 Game 9 if Jackpot not won, House £50



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Very Rev Fr Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LA 94459560 Mater Dei Presbytery, Glenavy Road, Crumlin, 94452941 Priest in Residence: Rev John Burns Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy: Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm. Office Closed1.00 - 2.00pm Secretary: Máire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278 Email:glenavy@downandconnor.org Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com

This account of the first Easter Sunday morning is significant in that it highlights how each of us as believers must come to terms with the mystery of the resurrection. Mary reports to Peter and the beloved disciple that the tomb is empty. They in turn run to investigate and, while the disciple reaches the tomb first, he holds back in deference to Peter, the leader of the twelve. It is only when the beloved disciple enters the tomb that we are told an appropriate response to the event –'He saw and he believed.' The beloved disciple is unnamed but in John's gospel he is present and close to Jesus at all the key moments: the Last Supper, Calvary and now the tomb. In a sense he symbolises where all true believers should be, for each of us is called to be a beloved disciple who accompanies Jesus on his way: 'Where I am there also my servant will be.' Jn 12:26

Reflection

Our readings today bring home to us with tremendous enthusiasm and fervour how our faith life is meaningless if not rooted in the resurrection of Jesus. The gospel is not merely a story in which we are offered the good example of a man who lived a life of love. It is much more, for it shows us that God has renewed our life totally from within through the Spirit of the Risen Christ



who now lives in us. In the world of the New Testament many doubted the resurrection and poured scorn on the idea.



EASTER GREETINGS

May the Blessings of the Risen Lord be on you and your family this Eastertide

On behalf of Fr John , Fr Colin and myself I hope you experience the full joy and hope, that Christ's resurrection brings to every life. May it bring you and your family the blessing of peace Fr Colm

2nd April—8 April Mass Intentions				
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James	Feumore
Mon	9.30am	No Mass		
Tue		9.30am		Carla IS Sa
Wed		9.30am Special Intentions		A BANA
Thurs	9.30am Bridie Barton			
Fri	9.30am Nancy & Brian Murphy		- CO	
Sat	10.00am Kathleen Henry (1st)	6.00pm vigil Kitty Auld & Marie Auld		
Sun	9.30am Vincent McKavanagh 12.00 noon Elizabeth & Jimmy Heatley	10.30am 12.00pm Raymond McCormick	9.00am Florence McAteer	10.45am Raymond Mooney
	REQUI CEASED: Trevor Winters	ESCANT IN PACE		

RECENTLY DECEASED: Trevor Winters

ANNIVERSARIES: Kathleen Henry (1st), Breedge Mulholland (1st), Kevin Nelson, Bridie Barton, Gerard Brazier, Francis Petticrew, Chris McCloskey, Jack (John) Kelly, Sarah Campbell, John Henry, Mary Ann Henry, Nancy & Brian Murphy, David Lavery

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS: A Sanctuary Lamp burns for a week in each of our four churches. If you would like to dedicate a lamp for a loved one or a special intention please contact the Parish Office. There is a suggested offering of £5. This week's dedications:

Jim & Sarah McGarry, Patricia Armstrong, Mairead Loughan, Special Intentions (S&E)

WOMEN'S WORLD WAY OF PRAYER event has been rescheduled for Friday 13th April at 8pm Dundrod Presbyterian Church. Sorry for any inconvenience caused with cancelling it last week due to the weather

Please bring your Trócaire box to any Mass and leave it in the basket at the trocaire front of the church

PARISH DRAW WEEK 48 COLLECTION: Winner £1,000:Brian Moonev Ballinderry Upp Winner £500: Jim O'Brien Glenavy 25/3/2018 Winner £100 Brian Magee, Crumlin Winner £50: Barney O'Neill, Glenavy Weekly Offering: £2,922 Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all Thank you for your generosity our members for your continued support

PARISH CONVERSATIONS The Joy of Love - Celebrating our Families

Let's talk Family! Let's be Family! is a six session parish conversation programme. In preparation for the World Meeting of Families in August, Pope Francis has asked us to have parish conversations.

Starting on Wednesday 11th April at 7.30pm and each week we will discuss what Pope Francis has to say about being part of a family and reflect on the reality of family life today. This is open to everyone - young, old, married, not married, no longer married, and regardless of what type of family you have. We want to discuss and celebrate all our families in all their wonderful forms.

The programme's first and second sessions deal with the reality of family life in the world today and looks at the challenges posed by consumer culture to stability in family life.

In sessions three and four, the programme goes on to explore how love is lived in the family and how children are nurtured.

If you are interested in joining our parish conversation please reserve your place through the parish office. T: 028 94 422278 or E: glenavy@downandconnor.org

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Would you like your soul to be as pure as on the day you were baptized? If the answer is ves, read on.

St Pope John Paul 11 canonized a Polish mystic, Sister Faustina (1905 - 1938) on the Sunday after Easter in 2000 and declared that from then on the second Sunday of Easter was to be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

In a revelation to Sister Faustina (recorded in her Diary 1109) Jesus told her, 'I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confessions and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday).

The conditions for receiving this great grace, including going to Confessions, can be fulfilled by attending any of the following Churches on Divine Mercy Sunday (8 April this year).

St Peter's Cathedral, Falls Rd at 2.15 pm: St Paul's Church, Falls Rd at 1.30 pm Sacred Heart Church, Oldpark Rd at 2.30pm

PARISH DRAW 2018

The current 50 week Parish Draw will ending on 9th April. Thank you to all parishioners and friends who were members of the Draw and congratulations to all the winners.

We are now organising the new Draw for 2018/2019 and it will begin with the first Draw taking place on 30th April. Fliers will be distributed to existing members soon and we hope you will continue to support the Draw.

New members are encouraged to join. If you haven't been a member before please pick up a flier and you will get information about joining and various options to pay.

The Parish Office will close from Monday 2nd April to Thursday 5th April inclusive, reopening Friday 6th April

RACHELS VINEYARD RETREATS are a beautiful healing opportunity for anyone struggling with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat weekend is a very specific process designed to help you experience the love, mercy, compassion and forgiveness of God. It allows you to surface and release repressed feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief. It enables suffering souls to find a voice and transform the pain of the past into love and hope. Each weekend is held in a confidential setting. Our next weekend will be held in June. To find out more information contact Marian on 07814 748 744 or e mail marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk or call Sheila on 0790 286 9646. You can also look up <u>www.rachelsvineyardni.org</u>. All queries are treated in strictest confidence.

Overseas Volunteers Reourced! Volunteer IT/HR Admins, Montessori/Primary/Secondary Teachers, Physios, Accountants, Social Workers...all required for funded placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas exp required, no upper age limit! Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email apply@viatoreschristi.com for more info.

THE PARISH OF DRUMBO & CARRYDUFF - PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND (Tuesday 22 -

Wednesday 30 May 2018). Drumbo Parish invite you to join their Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – *In The Footsteps of Christ & the Holy Family.* Package price - £1,440 per person sharing. This includes return coach transfers from Carryduff to Dublin Airport, return flights with British Airways, generous luggage allowance, 4* Hotels on a half board basis (3 nights Tiberias / 4 nights Jerusalem) & all excursions. If you are interested to receive further information please contact the Parish Office on 028 90812238 opt 2 or Anam Cara Travel - 02825 821 690. This pilgrimage is organised and coordinated by Anam Cara Travel (Co Antrim). LIMITED PLACES REMAINING!

<u>42ND STREET</u>: St. Agnes' Choral Society are excited to be producing the Broadway Classic, 42nd Street, from 10th-14th April. The show is also currently running in The West End but why not avail of the chance to see it in The Grand Opera House? Tickets can be purchased online at <u>www.goh.co.uk</u> or via the Box Office on 028 9024 1919

ADOPTION: Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For free information pack please contact us at: Telephone: 028 71 368592 or 028 90 691133. Monday to Friday 9 – 5 p.m. Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org Website: www.familycaresociety.co.uk Thank You

ACTION ON HEARING LOSS: Have you been considering volunteering? Waiting for the right role or a personal connection to a volunteering vacancy? This is for you..... Do you or someone you know have a hearing loss and or tinnitus? Currently there are 300,000 people in Northern Ireland with a hearing loss, 1 in 6 people and this number is estimated to increase to 1 in 5 by 2024. Action on Hearing Loss aims to offer local support to everyone with hearing loss throughout Northern Ireland, we are reaching out to local people interested in a volunteering role, supporting their local community.

Can you spare 2 hours per month? If you can, we would love to hear from you. 2 hours per month could support an isolated older person with a much needed befriender, your local community with a hearing aid support session, your local hospital with an information stand or raise vital funds through a fundraising event.

There are roles to suit everyone, full training will be provided and expenses will be paid. Should you require further information on Action on Hearing Loss support in your area or to receive a volunteer application pack please contact Laura Murphy or Norma Kelly on telephone: 02890 239619, e-mail: volunteering.ireland@hearingloss.org.uk or visit the website at http://bit.ly/2snvbLF