

EXAM PRAYER SERVICE: If you or your son/daughter are doing exams over the next few months (GCSEs, AS, A level, University exams or any other assessments/exams) you are invited to come along to St Joseph's Annex on Friday 11th May from 7-7:30pm for our special exam prayer service. Everyone is welcome.

ALDERGROVE/CRUMLIN APOSTOLIC SOCIETY are holding their Annual Church Door Collection on Sat/Sun 19/20 May in both churches, St James Aldergrove and Mater Dei, Crumlin. Your usual generosity, in aid of the Foreign Missions, will be gratefully appreciated. Thank you.

LOUGH NEAGH HERITAGE BOAT BUILD: Every Wednesday 11am—8pm at Sandy Bay Marina. Everyone welcome.

ST JOSEPH'S GAC LOTTO RESULTS: Thurs 26 April Jackpot £3000: Winning Nos: **1-15-22-28**. No Jackpot Winner: 3 No. Winners: Sammy McAreavey, Justin O'Neill, . Lucky Dips: Shree McCabe, Anne Marie Hutton, Martin Collett.. Next week's Jackpot. £3,000. Second Jackpot £1,200.

ST JAMES GAC: Thurs 29 April 18. : Winning Nos: **9-12-14-27**. No Jackpot Winner: £15: Jacqueline McConnell, £10: Marie Brown Next week's Jackpot. £3,500.

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

GLENNAVY AND KILLEAD BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: A member of the Bethany Group may be contacted on the following phone number 07746032796

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

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

CRAFT FAIR: Sell your own Arts & Crafts for just £20 per exhibit table! Saturday 16 June, 12noon—4pm. Come along and support local Artists and Crafters. St Clare's Café will be open for refreshments. Contact Margaret on 07517779334

ST CLARE'S BOWLING CLUB starts the new season on 10th September. Contact Joe 94422798 or Sinnead 94453972

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.

MODERN JIVE class every Wednesday at 8pm. No partner required.

WHIST: Last Friday of the Month

Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall

Thursdays at **8.00pm** sharp-9.30pm approx.

Jackpot £1,000 in **46** Numbers

Line£15 House £25

Scoop £25 Line House £50

Game 9 if Jackpot not won, House £50



**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
06 MAY 2018**

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 Closed 1.00 - 2.00pm

Secretary: Máire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278

Email: glenavy@downandconnor.org

Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com

www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish

THE ONE COMMANDMENT – ONLY ONE

This gospel is like a vision statement or a mission statement from Jesus. About finding joy in listening to Jesus, how to live the good life and love one another, how to love oneself in the love of God, and in directing our lives to bear fruit that will generate love.

It is so central that it is read at many really important moments of a Christian life. It is one of the most popular readings at a wedding, linking the love of God and human love at such a special time.

Jesus' love was to lay down his life in a specific way. Our love lays down our life often in small, unforgotten ways. Hours spent with a sick child or parent, years caring for someone ill, leaving home on missionary assignments; giving up something for children. The message is a big challenge in simple ways for most of us.

Isn't it a joy to know that the most enjoyable mystery of life – love, is the only commandment of God? This shows us that God is on our side: His commandment is to do what we want most to do and experience – to love and be loved. Even when the love costs us something.


Recall a time when you felt you were really loving someone.

Become aware that you were then very near to God.

Thank you, Lord, for love given and received in my life.

*Donal Neary SJ
Gospel Reflections*

The Parish Office is closed Monday 7th May

7th May— 13 May		Mass Intentions		
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James	Feumore
Mon	9.30am Elizabeth Toland, Elizabeth & James Douglas	7.00pm Hugh & Kathleen Morgan		
Tue		9.30am		
Wed		9.30am		
Thurs	9.30am			
Fri	9.30am			
Sat	10.00am	6.00pm vigil		
Sun	9.30am 12.00 noon Michael (Mick) Armstrong (1st)	10.30am Joseph & Mina Mooney 12.00pm Isaac Mulholland Month's Mind	9.00am	10.45am

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

RECENTLY DECEASED: Maureen Hunter **ANNIVERSARIES:** Mary McKillop (1st), Cassie McGarry, Elizabeth Toland, Elizabeth & James Douglas, baby Ryan Brankin, Hugh & Kathleen Morgan, John Cormican, Kathleen Mooney, Teresa Brankin, James Keenan, John McNally, Jim Leatham, Tess Burke, Pat O'Rourke, Paddy McGarry, Gerry McCaffery, Mary McCaffery, Margaret White

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:

Special Intention (MN), James & Ellen Nelson, Rosemary Haddock, Toner Family.

THE ROSARY is prayed in Feumore Mass Centre each Sunday at 7pm. All welcome

ANNUAL BLESSING OF GRAVES: The Blessing of Graves will take place in St Joseph's Graveyard on Sunday 24 June at 3pm. The Blessing of Graves will take place in St James Graveyard on Sunday 1st July at 3pm and at 4.15pm in Crumlin Cemetery.

"All of you together are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of that body".

We can all work together as the body of Christ to keep our parish vibrant, by volunteering in one of the following ministry teams, which help to enhance, encourage, inspire and strengthen the faith life of parishioners and their experience of God in liturgical celebrations:

Baptism Preparation, Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist, Bereavement, Children's Liturgy, Church cleaning, Choir, Flower arranging, Grounds Maintenance, Offertory Collection, Offertory Gifts Procession, Offertory Counters, Parish Prayer Friends, Prayer of Faithful, Safeguarding, and the Welcoming Team. To find out more about any of these teams and explore where you can use your gifts give your contacts details to the Parish office E: glenavy@downandconnor.org

COLLECTION: 29/04/2018
Weekly Offering: £2,792
Thank you for your generosity

THE ANNUAL APOSTOLIC CHURCH DOOR COLLECTION will take place after all the Masses in Crumlin and Aldergrove next week

PARISH CONVERSATIONS

The Joy of Love Celebrating our FAMILIES



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

This **Wednesday 9th May at 7.30pm in St. Joseph's Annex** we are having the fifth session – even if you were not at any of the previous session you can still come along and are very welcome to join us. Additionally, if you want more information you can also go to www.amoris.ie/conversations/.

During the programme we will discuss what Pope Francis has to say in light of our experiences of being part of a family and reflect on the reality of family life today. This week we will be having a conversation about God's Mercy – No One Excluded

This is open to everyone over 18 years, so if you are young, old, single, married, not married, no longer married, and regardless of what type of family you have you are very welcome. We want to discuss and celebrate all our families in all their wonderful forms

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 or check out the video on the parish Facebook page.

MATER DEI CHURCH CLEANING: There is an urgent need for more parishioners to join the Mater Dei Church cleaning rota. There is currently no one available to clean during the first week of May & first and third weeks of June. If you are able to help please pass your contact details to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES – TICKETS AND REGISTRATION:

Everyone who registers online to attend one or three days of the Pastoral Congress (22-24 August), is guaranteed to receive tickets for the Festival of Families (Croke Park, Saturday 25th August) and the Final Mass (Phoenix Park, Sunday 26th August).

Those who only wish to register for the Festival of Families or the Final Mass need to be aware that tickets will be limited subject to venue capacity and availability.

To register online please go to www.worldmeeting.ie/en/Tickets/Tickets-Registration

To enquire about accommodation please go to www.worldmeeting.ie/en/Ireland/Accommodation

Alternatively call the national office – 0035316909409 If you have any other queries contact the Diocesan Office – family@downandconnor.org

PRAYER REQUEST FOR EXAMS.

The parish prayer friends would like to pray for anyone doing any exams in the May and June Exam period. If you know someone who is doing an exam and would like us to pray for them please text the following to 07753664162 or email glenavy@downandconnor.org:

Student Full name, month of exams, type of exam e.g. GCSE, A'Levels, University Exams etc.

Help: Dear God, support and inspire us as we prepare to take this exam. May we feel calm knowing that you are here with us. Help us to recall all that we have studied, doing the best we can to prepare ourselves for this challenge. We pray for self awareness to know that when we try our very best, we have already succeeded. When we accept and face challenges with courage, we know that we have done something pleasing to you, God. Amen.

Any member of the parish can make a prayer request to the Parish Prayer Friends by texting : 07753664162

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 marianrvi@yahoo.co.uk or call Sheila on 0790 286 9646. You can also look up www.rachelsvineyardni.org. All queries are treated in strictest confidence.

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED! 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!

42ND STREET: 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 www.goh.co.uk 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>