<u>PARISH ENVELOPES</u> can be received at either Sunday or weekday Masses. Alternatively, if your circumstances permit, make a bank transfer to: **Parish of Glenavy and Killead.** Sort Code 98 04 60. Account 10654677.

Parish Office. Please notice that the parish office is open each daily Monday to Friday 10.00am to 3.00pm

PARISH BETHANY BEREAVEMENT Support: A member of the Bethany group may be contacted on Tel 07746032796

<u>ST VINCENT DE PAUL</u>: Emergency helpline. Crumlin/ Aldergrove. 07754427088. New volunteers urgently required.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES: Trócaire have asked that you make your donation directly to them. Simply count or estimate what is in your box and donate now in one of these easy ways;

Online at <u>trocaire.org</u>. Over the phone at 0800 912 1200. By post to Trócaire, King Street, Belfast (NI) Please <u>do not</u> return your box to the parish as there is no one available to process it.

<u>St Joseph's GAC.</u> Lotto Thursday 23 July Winning Numbers: 1-7-20-25-No Jackpot Winner: Jackpot next week £2200.

3 Numbers: Martin Collett, M. Neill. Lucky Dips: Fr Mc Bride, Becky O'Neill, Paul Mc Corry

The Lotto is drawn live on the club's Facebook page between 7-8 pm each Thursday.

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

SPECIAL PARISH DRAW.

Due to the delay caused by the Co-vid lockdown the Parish Draw this year will be a special draw of just 35 weeks beginning Monday 17 August 2020 but with the usual great prizes

£1000 prize at Christmas and Easter. £500 every fifth week £100 and £50 every week

Subscription £2 per week or £70 for the 35 weeks. Members of last years draw will receive communication in the next few weeks. For further enquiries contact parish office after 24 July.



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR 17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading. 1 Kings 3:5. 7-12 Solomon prays for the gift of wisdom that he might be a good king. This surpasses any other gift he might have asked for.

Second Reading. Romans 8:26-27 God our Father cherishes as his children all those who love him.

Gospel Mt 13:44-52 The greatest treasure in life is God's friendship. Those who are truly wise will go to whatever lengths to secure it.

THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE TREASURE

Jesus takes the ordinary for his story asking what you would re-ally want never to lose/ asking what your treasure is. Is it money, reputation, locality? I gave up a better job but had time for the family and for love'; words of a young father. We know that par-ents give up a lot for their children; as do grandparents/ godpar-ents and others. As people we look for what's most important in life: the love of God; deep and enduring friendships/ success after hard work in school/ commitment to the poor – what can-not be lost and what is worth sacrificing other good things for.

Life is a mixture of the good and the bad. There is an old Dublin saying: 'There's good in the worst of us and bad in the best of us. We work for God with the strengths and weaknesses of all we work with. God sows the seed of the gospel in good and bad soil; it bears fruit in its own way wherever it is sown. The treasure is in our people. So much hidden generosity comes out at bad times – floods, power cuts, illness and death. We need al-ways to find the hidden treasures in our own people and even in our history. The kingdom of God is close, near and is within us.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew



	26 JULY	2 AUGUST	MASS INTENTIONS
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Patrick Riordan		
Tue		7.00pm	IC XC
Wed		9.30am Adoration 10-12noon &6-9pm	
Thur	9.30am Matt O'Brien Adoration 7-9pm		
Fri	9.30am 6.00pm Confession 6.00pm		
Sat		6.00pm vigil Joan Connor	
Sun	9.30am Special Intention 12.00 noon P.P	10.45am Willie & Lily McLoman	

RECENTLY DECEASED: Daniel McGeown (*Aldergrove*)

MONTH'S MIND: Michael McKeever

ANNIVERSARIES: Ciaran Heffron & Teresa Heffron, Ciaran O'Neill, Joan Connor, Dorothea Doone, Gertrude Hickland, Willie and Lily McLornan, Patrick Riordan, Annie Horner. **Sanctuary Lamp**: Personal Intention

PRAYER FOR THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Lord Jesus, you travelled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness among the people. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now in this health crisis so that we may know your healing love. Heal those who are sick: may they regain their health and strength. Heal us from our fear, which prevents us from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which makes us certain of our health and life apart from you. Bless health care professionals with strength and compassion as they selflessly respond to our needs.

We make this prayer in your strong and holy name, You, who with the Father and Spirit, live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY MASS

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains suspended. Therefore, those who wish to attend Mass are encouraged to attend a weekday Mass if they can. This will mean that the limited space on Sunday can be reserved for those unable to attend during the week. If you wish to attend a Sunday Mass you are advised to book. Please contact the parish office on 94422278. Bookings for the following Sunday can only be received on Thursday and Friday mornings from 10.00 am – 12 noon,. Since calls will be received by volunteers, bookings cannot be accepted outside these times. Spaces will be allocated on a first-come, first served basis. Your name and contact details will be required at time of booking. By making a booking, parishioners agree that their details will be retained by the parish for the purposes of allocating seats and in case of need for contact if arrangements have to be changed or if there is a requirement for contact tracing in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak.

At weekends, on arrival at the Church, after sanitising your hands the stewards will register your attendance and direct you to your allocated seat(s). Please place your Offering in the box provided at the back of the Church before Mass begins. Arrangements for distribution of Holy Communion will be explained during the Mass and stewards will direct you. At the end of Mass seats should be vacated in an orderly fashion and so please follow the guidance of the stewards. The new arrangements will seem strange but they are necessary to keep everyone safe and avoid another lockdown. You are encouraged to wear a face covering for the protection of everyone at Mass and observe the social distancing measures that have been implemented in the church.

LIVE STREAMING OF PARISH MASS will continue on the Parish Facebook page. The time of the Mass to be streamed the following weekend will be advised on Fridays on the Facebook page.

ACCORD Covid-19 Couples and Relationships Support Line. If you need to speak to experienced couples and relationships counsellor during this time of stress and pressure on family life, contact: 028 95680151 or 0035315313331. 9.00am-8.00pm Monday to Friday. Calls at local rate.

KILMORE AND KILLYLEAGH PARISH: Join us and follow in the footsteps of Padre Pio on this, our first Parish pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo Italy. Return flights from Dublin, 4-nights from 13th September, accompanied by a Spiritual Director and includes a fully escorted religious programme. Tour package £595 per person. £200 deposit to be paid by 7th February 2020 to secure places For additional details visit the website www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com or contact Joe Walsh tours Tel: 00353 1241 0800.

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.

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

SPECIAL BELFAST CHRISTMAS PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND €1,899 and 20th July for 8 nights €1,725 Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, River Jordan, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Contact James Treacy 00353860572216 or 0035361921470 or office 0035318783111 ex Dublin

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 2020</u>: 12th / 19th Aug'.7 Nights Full Board, Hotel Avenida. Spiritual Director Fr. Martin Graham. Full Religious Program. with Optional Tours. £719 inclusive of Tax and Insurance. For Further details contact Joe Catney 90714001 or 07776425631