

PARISH ENVELOPES 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

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

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

ST. JOSEPH'S GAC: lotto results for 10th. September 20. **Winning nos. 12 – 16 –24 – 26. Jackpot £2500** – No Winners. **3 Numbers:** No Winner. **Lucky Dips:** Mary Moore – Paul O'Brien – John Shepherd. **Next week's Jackpot £2550**

HOUSEKEEPER REQUIRED 4 hours per week. For more information please phone 07766640142

SUNDAY ART - 20TH SEPTEMBER 2020: 11am - 12noon - **The Very Hungry Caterpillar Crafts** (pre-school/ early primary school age)/ 12.30pm - 2pm - **How to Draw Superheroes** (suggested age 7 - 14 years old) 2.30pm - 4pm - **Torn Paper Mosaic Art** (suitable for all ages - adults welcome too as it can be a great way to destress!). Full details on St Clare's Hall Facebook page. All classes £5. Pre-booking essential. Contact Claire to book on 07887 405964.

WORLDS BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING coming back to St Clare's Hall on Friday 25th September 2020. The event will be held between 9am and 12pm. Covid safety measures will be in place. All welcome.

BINGO

Thursdays at 8.00pm sharp

in St Clare's Community Hall

Jackpot £1,000 in **52** Numbers

Game 9 if Jackpot not won, House £50

All necessary Social Distancing & Covid Prevention Measures in place



**24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
13TH SEPTEMBER 2020**

Very Rev Fr Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY 94459560 (In emergencies Fr Declan Mulligan P.P. Aghagallon 92651214)

Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy:

Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm.

Office Closed 1.00 - 2.00pm

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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR 24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

First Reading. Eccles (Sir) 27:30-28:7

Second Reading. Rm14:7-9

Gospel .Mt 18:21-35

FORGIVENESS

We are called to forgive; and that can be really difficult. You have been defrauded by the banks of your life's savings – can you forgive? You were abused as a child – can you forgive? You were done out of a job because another lied to get it – can you forgive? The answer is maybe 'no'. What then does God want? He asks us to open our hearts to the other so that we may forgive. Forgiveness is the deepest of God's desires on our behalf, and he hopes that we can forgive each other.

Our hurts and burdens are heavy to carry through life. To forgive can release some of that weight. The person who hurt us may be dead, or may not even know (or care) that we are hurting. When we desire to forgive but don't know how, one way of looking for this strength is to pray for it. We often pray, 'Lord, make my heart like yours'. When we pray that we are praying to be forgiving people!

Another way is to pray for the person. When we realise that as God loves me, he also loves everyone, we may find a spark or light of forgiveness in our souls.

Out of this we may find the will to meet the other and talk to him or her, and find the grace of forgiveness between us.

Forgiveness sometimes comes slowly. When God sees us wanting to be on the road to forgiveness, he gives us the graces we need to unburden ourselves and be able to love like him. Sit in silence for a while, and send a blessing or prayer to someone you need to forgive.

Lord, I ask – make my heart like yours.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J


Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

The girls and boys of St Joseph's Primary 7 will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on this Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 15th, 16th and 17th September at **6.00pm**. Please pray for the children and their families at this very important stage of their faith journey.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The boys and girls of St Joseph's Primary School who were unable to receive their first Eucharist in May will now celebrate it on Saturday 19 September in **Mater Dei Church**. Seats are available only to the parents and the first communicants. Please remember them in your prayer.

14th September		20th September	MASS INTENTIONS
	ST JOSEPH'S	MATER DEI	
Mon	9.30am John & Magdalene Henry		
Tue		NO MASS	
Wed		9.30am Adoration 10-12noon & 6-8pm	
Thur	9.30am Adoration 7-9pm		
Fri	9.30am 6.00pm Confession		
Sat		6.00pm vigil NO VIGIL MASS	
Sun	9.30am Fr Denis Cormican OMI 12.00 noon Edward Chambers Month's Mind	10.45am P.P.	

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sean Ruddy, Patrick McAreavey, Ernie Thompson and Bridget Mulholland

MONTH'S MIND: Michael Doherty

ANNIVERSARIES: John & Magdalene Henry, Adrian McGovern, Joseph McGarry, Patrick & Agnes McLornan, John Donnelly, Sheila Hall,

SANCTUARY LAMP: Special Intention, MB, EMCC, Phelim & Brigid McGarry,

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.

BAPTISM: We welcome to the People of God: Noah David McFall and Rossa Donnelly

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 available for those unable to attend during the week. If you wish to attend a Sunday Mass you are advised to book although presently it is not essential. 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.

Church leaders, including Archbishop Eamon Martin, following recent consultations with public health authorities, are formally recommending and encouraging the use of face coverings at all Masses and other liturgical celebrations, along with the ongoing maintenance of 2 metre physical distancing, to prevent the spread of the virus.

Visit the following website for more advice and guidance on the use of face coverings.

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-face-coverings>

COLLECTIONS 06/09/2020

WEEKLY OFFERING: £1,675

Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW WEEK 3

Winner: £100: Anne Moore Upp Ballinderry

Winner: £50: Lawrence Cormican Glenavy

Congratulations to our winners

Thank you to all who have joined the draw this year. This will make a very useful contribution to our parish finances. Good luck to all.

PARISH DRAW

Due to the delay caused by the Covid 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.

For further enquiries contact parish office

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN

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