

**ADVENT A TIME OF PREPARATION FOR A RENEWAL OF THE COMING OF CHRIST IN OUR HEARTS, HOMES AND PARISH:** Why not join us online through Zoom as we walk through the Liturgy of the Mass with Bishop Barron. Given we are called to a relationship with Jesus. Reflect with him, if the Mass is the most intense way we are intimately joined with the Body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus through the Eucharist? The first of four one hour talks on the Mass will begin on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30, to book your place phone 028 9442 2278 or email the parish secretary [glenavy@downandconnor.org](mailto:glenavy@downandconnor.org) to give your name, mobile number or email address.

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

**MAKING YOUR OFFERING TO THE CHURCH**

**If you are able, you are encouraged to make a monthly offering to the Church by means of a Bank Transfer. To assist you, the necessary forms are available at the back of the Churches. Both forms need to be completed with one sent to your Bank and the other to the parish office. If you have any queries please contact in confidence the parish secretary or Fr Mc Bride**

**PARISH OFFICE.** Please note that the parish office is open daily Monday to Friday 10.00am to 3.00pm

**PARISH BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** A member of the Bethany group may be contacted on Tel 0774603279

**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 5/11/20. **Winning nos. 08-11-14-25. Jackpot £2,900-No Winners.3 Numbers:** No winners **Lucky Dips:** Damian McCabe – Michelle O'Donnell – Damian Ayre. **Next week's Jackpot £2,950.**

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

**CRUMLIN/ALDERGROVE CONFERENCE** Emergency helpline **07754427088.** New volunteers urgently required.


**ST JOSEPH GLENAVY CONFERENCE** continues its local charitable work during the Covid pandemic. Emergency helpline **07707200193.** Our usual red box for collections has not been available to those who support our work due to on-going restrictions. Anyone wishing to make a regular or one-off donation can do so directly to our bank account, Sort Code 98-04-60. Account Number 41966009. Your support is very much appreciated as we support those most vulnerable in these challenging times in your local community.

**BINGO**

**Has been suspended for the next few weeks as St Clare's Hall is temporarily closed due to the Covid restrictions**



**32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR  
8TH NOVEMBER 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  
**Secretary:** Máire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278  
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**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR 32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

First Reading. Wis 6:12-16 Second Reading. Th 4:13-18 Gospel .Mt 25:1-13

**JESUS ALWAYS NEW**

The lamp is the light of love and hope, and at its centre is the light of Christ. The light is given to us in many ways in our lives – it shines within as an eternal joy, and outwards to many others. Jesus often advises, 'keep your lamps burning' and 'Let your lights shine.'

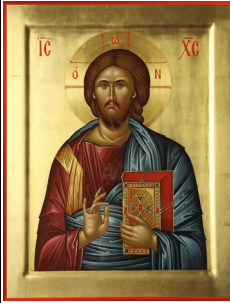
Like when the bulb goes out when the electricity fails, the lamp can go out without oil. The people of the gospel felt foolish that they had not brought oil with them to light their way. The oil is prayer and our relationship with Jesus. This is the essence of the Christian life. Our Christian life is following a real, loving person: it is an invitation to get to know Jesus, and to find ourselves drawn from our hearts to follow him. Without this living relationship with Christ, words sound empty. We sometimes hear someone speaking of their Christian faith and cannot help wondering if it comes from the inside or is just a list of things to be believed and read.

Ignatius of Loyola's famous prayer is the prayer of the follower of Jesus; 'Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in my life.' (Spiritual Exercises). The more indicates that this is never a finished product: like love and friendship it grows in our lives. It is exciting that Jesus is never gone from us.: risen from the dead he is always alive, always new. Our reading of the gospel, our sharing at Mass and the sacraments and our personal prayer keep this relationship always alive, always new.

**Thinking of a bright lamp, or imagining one,  
ask for an ever-brightening light of Christ in your life.  
Lord, teach me to know, love and serve you more faithfully every day**

*Donal Neary SJ  
Gospel Reflections For Sundays Year A*



9TH NOVEMBER		15TH NOVEMBER	MASS INTENTIONS
	ST JOSEPH'S	MATER DEI	
Mon	9.30am Elizabeth McCleave		
Tue		7.00pm John Grant <b>Month's Mind</b> Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Mass	
Wed		9.30am Harry & Anna Connon Adoration 10-12noon & 6-8pm	
Thur	9.30am Marie O'Neill (1st) Adoration 7-9pm		
Fri	9.30am Charlotte Reid 6.00pm Confession		
Sat		6.00pm vigil Patrick Cleary	
Sun	9.30am 12.00 noon Jarlath Ignatius Maguire	10.45am Brendan Skelton	

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Caroline Cormican (Wales)

**MONTH'S MIND:** John Grant

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Marie O'Neill (1st), Hugh Ross, Vincent Fusco, Sean McGarry, Sarah McGarry, Jim McGarry, Denis Campbell, Maureen McCloskey, Annie Fleeton, Vera McGarry, Elizabeth McCleave, Harry & Anna Connon, Charlotte Reid, Mary Shannon, Jack & Lawrence Loughan, Veronica Thompson.

**BAPTISM:** We welcome to the People of God: Hunter Jay McAlernon, Conán Michael O'Keefe

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** Sarah & Jim McGarry, Nelson Family and Sammy Heatley

#### **ANNUAL MASS FOR BEREAVED**

The annual Mass for those who have been bereaved since November 2019 will be celebrated this year in St Joseph's Church on Wednesday 18 November.

Given the limited seating available as a consequence of social distancing requirements, it will be necessary to book a seat(s) through the parish office.

The roll call of the deceased will be accompanied with the lighting of a candle by a parishioner on behalf of each of the bereaved families.

The Mass will be live streamed on the parish facebook page beginning at 7.00pm



#### **MASS FOR DECEASED:**

On Wednesday 18th November, Bishop Noel will celebrate Mass in Saint Peter's Cathedral, remembering all those who have died this year in the Diocese at 7pm. This Mass will be streamed on the Cathedral webcam, <https://www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral>

#### **REMEMBERING OF DECEASED .....NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS**

Throughout the month of November the Church traditionally remembers and prays for all those who have died. A November Dead List is a list of the names of deceased relatives and friends for whom you would like Mass offered during November. Like all acts of remembrance, compiling a November Dead List is an act of charity to the faithful departed from those who are still able to assist them. The sheets on which to compile the list and accompanying envelopes are available in the Church Porches. A voluntary offering may be included for the support of the priests who will celebrate the Masses. Return the envelope either in the collection basket or in the box in the Sanctuary. The names of the deceased will be placed in the Sanctuary where they will remain for the Month of November. Mass will be offered each day specifically for all whose names appear on the lists, that they may attain what they long for, eternal rest in God's presence

#### **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.**

**THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS ARE MANDATORY ENTERING AND LEAVING THE CHURCH (GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS)**

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

**MASS AT ST JAMES CHURCH:** On Sunday 22 November Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am in St James Church Aldergrove for all those buried in the graveyard. As a consequence of social distancing there will be a limited number of seats. Please book through the Parish Office 94422278

#### **COLLECTIONS 01/11/2020**

**WEEKLY OFFERING: £2,175**  
**MONTHLY STIPEND: £880**  
**MISSIONS: £ 1,795**

**Thank you for your generosity**

#### **PARISH DRAW WEEK 12**

**Winner: £100: J&B Kerr Crumlin**  
**Winner: £50: Dearbhla Doherty Lower Ballinderry**  
**Congratulations to our winners**

**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](mailto: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](mailto:anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org) **Website:** [www.familycaresociety.co.uk](http://www.familycaresociety.co.uk) Thank You