

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 GRAVEYARD: Please be aware that dogs are not permitted within the graveyard at any time, with the exception of registered guide dogs. Notices to this effect have been posted at the entrances. The graveyard is not a public park. It is private property, a sacred place, blessed and consecrated.

ST. JOSEPH'S GAC: Lotto results 4th. Feb. 21. Winning nos. 3 – 7 – 9 – 21 Jackpot £3000 – No Winners. 3 Numbers: David O'Neill – Margaret Brankin – Desmond McCann- Barbara McCann – Brian Rice - Kevin Hagan – Frank Brankin. Lucky Dips: Brendan Burns – Robert Heatley – Brian Magenniss. Next week's Jackpot £3,000. 2nd Jackpot £1,050

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

CRUMLIN / ALDERGROVE CONFERENCE Emergency helpline **07754427088**. Crumlin/ Aldergrove SVP conference continues to help the needy and vulnerable in our local community during the Covid-19 pandemic and those needs have very sadly been heightened by the pandemic. As a community-based charity, we rely solely on charitable donations, but owing to restrictions the community has been unable to make donations via the red box collections. We would appreciate any and all donations and which can be made via the Crumlin/ Aldergrove SVP conference bank account. Account number 41965035, sort code 980460. Your ongoing support is very greatly appreciated during what continues to be a very troubling time for the needy in our community". New volunteers urgently required

ST JOSEPH GLENavy CONFERENCE continues its local charitable work during the Covid pandemic. Emergency helpline **07784955647**. 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.

AMAZON. You may be aware that when you purchase goods from Amazon, the company gives you the opportunity to select a charity to which Amazon will donate a portion of the value of your purchase. **Drumalis Retreat Centre** in Larne is commended to you for your consideration. The retreat centre is a wonderful facility in our Diocese.

PARISH OFFICE.

Please note that the parish office will have limited opening hours for the next few weeks.
Monday—Friday 10.00am—12.00noon



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7 FEBRUARY 2021

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 - 12.00.

Secretary: Máire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278

Email: glenavy@downandconnor.org

Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com

A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

DARKNESS AND LIGHT

The first reading is tough to hear and we admire Job. We talk of 'the patience of Job'. Job is the example and the hero of depression. He just had it bad. All had gone wrong and he felt no good, no hope, no meaning. His family collapsed, his wealth disappeared and he cursed the day he was born. He went through all of the depressions people have, but somehow kept that glimmer of light alive. He never totally lost God, and God never lost him.

Depression is a huge illness. Many suffer; many are affected. Treatment can be of help, and the listening times of friends as well as therapy is healing.

A great priest wrote At the worst of the burn out I couldn't say Mass, never mind preach. Dry, empty, without light or life. Thanks again for the card you sent. It means a lot to me now. Funny, in the worst of my anxiety, nothing, no compliment, and no reassurance meant anything to me.

There are many helps on the human level. There is the help also of faith and prayer at times. And the help of someone who, listens, sympathises, doesn't judge nor give easy cures. Love from God never ends even though it may not appear near just now. This is the Jesus of the gospel – bringing the grace of healing, of freeing from any evil, of constant love.

Imagine a time of darkness in life; picture it in its colour, and imagine the bright light of Jesus penetrate that darkness. Ask for help and give thanks for help. Give light, Good Lord, to all who live in the valley of darkness and the shadow of doubt.

*Donal Neary SJ
Gospel Reflections*



8 FEBRUARY — 14 FEBRUARY MASS INTENTIONS CELEBRATED PRIVATELY

Monday 8th February
Wednesday-10th February
Thursday—11th February-
Friday-12 February
Saturday 13 February
Sunday 14th February

Maureen Jordan
Geraldine Bell
Brigid Brannigan and Maurice Brannigan
In honour if Our Lady of Lourdes
P.P
Raymond Johnston, Joe McErlean,
Pat Clenaghan (1st)

FIRST READING: Job 7:1-4. If you want to know about life, suffering, faith and injustice, the Book of Job contains many challenging reflections.

SECOND READING: Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 St Paul sees the good news as God's free gift and a blessing for all people.

GOSPEL: Mk 1:29-39 healing and befriending the sick is at the heart of the mission and message of Jesus. (See *Catechism of the Catholic Church*—CCC 1502-1505 on Christ the Healer)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Eileen Teresa O'Dornan (Maple Park), Michael Donaghy.

MONTH'S MIND: Molly Doherty, Daniel Heatley

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Maguire, Sean Devlin, Adrienne McAlister, Harriet Donnelly, James Lavery, Helena Crossan, Mary Ellen McCaughey, Maria Stafford, William Lewsley, John Clenaghan, Geraldine Bell, Brigid Brannigan and Maurice Brannigan, John & Molly Brankin.

SANCTUARY LAMP: Special Intentions, Kerr Family, Deceased members of the Stafford and Mateer Families,

ST PATRICKS ACADEMY ,LISBURN: A virtual tour, prospectus and information about our school are all available on the school website (www.stpatsni.co.uk) to give pupils and parents a glimpse of daily life in St. Patrick's Academy.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The meeting of the Pastoral Council by Zoom is on Wednesday 10 February at 7.00pm. Members will receive an invitation.

BLOOD DONATIONS: St Clare's Hall, Glenavy, Tuesday 9th February, 1pm—4pm and 5pm—7.30pm. **Now by appointment only. Please call 08085 534 653 to book.**

PARISH OFFERINGS MADE BY DIRECT DEBIT/STANDING ORDERS: If you have received a letter regarding your direct debit/standing order, please complete and return the enclosed form to the parish office as soon as possible. It will help with the administration of your offering.

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

DIVINE MERCY

Greetings from Rev. Dr. Eunan McDonnell SDB, Deacon Don Devaney and the Divine Mercy conference committee. We wish you all the joy and peace of Christ in the year ahead. The virtual Divine Mercy Conference (2021) will take place on 19, 20, and 21 February. It will be broadcast through our website www.divinemercyconference.com free of charge. It will also be available on and you may listen in via your TV on Saorview 210 (audio only) and dial up listening service 01-4373277. The theme of this our 30th Conference is: *For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory* (Mt. 6:13). The speakers over the weekend are: Sr. Briege McKenna, Healing Ministry, Conference Speaker and author. Fr. Hayden Williams, OFM Cap, Healing Ministry and preacher. Fr. Colomba Jordan C.F.R, Healing Ministry and Retreat Director. Fr. Brendan Walsh, SCA, Retreat Director, Healing Ministry and Conference speaker. Rev. Eunan McDonnell, SDB, Provincial of the Salesians in Ireland and Spiritual Director to the Conference Committee. Fr. Eamonn McCarthy, Director of Radio Maria. Christy May, Legion of Mary member who will share his testimony of conversion.

PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM: If you are seeking to have your child Baptised please contact the parish office. Parents are requested to complete a short preparation programme which during the pandemic is completed via Zoom. Currently baptisms are celebrated on a Friday afternoon or a Saturday morning. As only one family at a time can be accommodated there is a waiting list All baptisms take place in St Joseph's Church.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMMES: During this health emergency, an interactive marriage preparation programme will be delivered via video link by trained Accord facilitators to couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. The final module requires the couple to meet in person with the priest or deacon from the parish of the Bride.

BIBLE ALIVE: Bible Alive is a monthly magazine which provides a great way to get to know the Scriptures from the daily and Sunday Liturgies. There are reflections for each day. Any-one who is interested in learning more about the readings at Mass will find this most encouraging and informative. Copies are £3.00 each and available at the back of the Churches

CO-VID RESTRICTIONS. Public celebration of Mass has been suspended until 6 February. However, the Churches remain open each day for private prayer Please be aware that during this period of lockdown there are limits to the number of people able to attend those Church Liturgies. which are permitted. Weddings and funerals are limited to 25 persons. Baptisms are limited to 10 persons. Please remember that the wearing of masks when entering, while in the Church and when leaving the Church is mandatory.

PARISH DRAW

Week 25

Winner £100 **Ciaran Brankin Feumore**
Winner £50 **Catherine O'Hara, Crumlin**
Congratulations to our winners .

Thank you to all members for your continued support

CRUMLIN YOUTH FOR CHRIST: Crumlin Youth for Christ is a cross community Christian outreach to the young people of Crumlin. This is challenging work and requires great faith and commitment by the volunteers led by Dean Moore. We may not feel able to actively join them but we can help them with necessary resources. CYFC are looking for 20 people to commit to giving £20 a month for the next year. If you could help, please contact our parish representative to CYFC, Clive Duffield on 07967704592

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