

**DISCERNMENT: GATHERING EVIDENCE ON WHAT GOD WANTS US TO DO IN LIFE:**

21st April 8.30pm. This online information session, followed by an opportunity for Q&A, will provide some insights into ways in which we can gather evidence to make a good discernment and get a sense of what God wants us to do in life. The event is facilitated via Zoom and those who wish to attend should email [bethlehemcisterianfamily@gmail.com](mailto:bethlehemcisterianfamily@gmail.com) or message us on our social media platforms @AbbeyFamily in advance of the meeting for details. Please note that this event is aimed principally at those in Britain and Ireland considering a vocation to the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance

**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.

**TEMPORARY STAFF REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL MEALS KITCHENS** in the Crumlin area. Please phone 94423570 for details.

**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 GLENNAVY 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**



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
25TH APRIL 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.  
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**A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community**

**CALLED AT BAPTISM**

Following one's vocation is a response from within to the needs outside us. A decision to work for the poor or assist people in need is not necessarily a vocation. A vocation meets the human needs of the world but with a motivation from within. We care for our children and grandchildren not just because they are sick or insecure, but because we love them. this love will move us out to help them in various situations.

We find a call to be 'people for others' because our heart teaches us that with Jesus we are all brothers and sisters, and that God wants to save the world, and needs our help to do so.

This is the Sunday we all pray that our particular vocation in life may become clear and may become stronger.

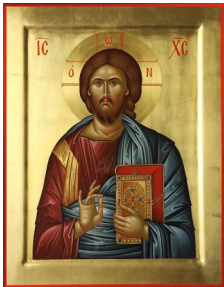
God calls each of us to love God and love our neighbour. This is the first Christian calling at our Baptism; we then find the best way for each of us with our own particular set of gifts, talents and even weaknesses to live out that call to love.

We think especially today of religious life and priesthood. There are needs for priests, sisters and brothers in most parts of the world. as a community in families and parishes we thank those who have given their lives in these vocations and pray they may increase.

*Remember with thanks those whose lives  
have given you your faith in God.  
Lord, thanks for what I can do in your service.  
May your kingdom come!*

*Donal Neary SJ  
Gospel Reflections*



	26th April	2nd May	Mass Intentions
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Kathleen Magee		
Tue		7.00pm Maureen Ferguson	
Wed		9.30am NO MASS	
Thur	9.30am PP		
Fri	9.30am In Honour of St Joseph		
Sat		6.00pm vigil John O'Brien Month's Mind	
Sun	9.30am Kathleen Mooney & Theresa Brankin	10.45am PP	
	12.00 noon John McNally		

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** John Logan, Linda Bourquin and John Henry.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Phelim McGarry (1st), Phyllis Brankin (1st), Bridget McGarry, Gerard Nelson, Marie Doone, John O'Neill, Sean Henry, Kathleen Magee, Kenneth Jordan, Bob, Eileen & Mick McAlister, Annie Press, Helen Moore, Maureen Ferguson, Leo O'Neill.

**WEDDINGS:** Congratulations to **Chloe Whiteside**, *Loughview Rd, Aldergrove* and **David Magee**, *Colane Rd Aghagallon* who last week were married in Christ.

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** Special Intention (B, F, G, J, M & M)

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** The boys and girls of P.7 in St Joseph's Primary School, will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 28 April with the first ceremony beginning at 10.00am. Children from Crumlin Integrated school will also join them. Please remember them, their families and sponsors in your prayer.

**THE IRISH CATHOLIC:** The Irish Catholic is a newspaper printed in Ireland, reporting on current issues, news and articles to do with faith, family and Church teaching and other subjects. It makes for a good read as it presents a view of the Church north and south. There is a pressing need to increase subscribers so that the paper remains viable. The parish has agreed for a period of time to take a number of copies each week which would be made available free in our Churches with the hope that some parishioners would recognize the value of the paper and take out a personal subscription. There is a need for such a publication in the Church in Ireland at this time so that the truth of the Churches perspective can be presented in a clear and informed manner in the public realm. And the misrepresentation of the Church's position challenged. There is also a digital edition and details of subscriptions etc. can be found on their website.

### **COLLECTIONS 18/04/2021**

**WEEKLY OFFERING: £1,818**

**DONATION TOWARDS MATER DEI WEBCAM INSTALLATION £500, £50, £30, £100, £20, £100**

**Thank you for your generosity**

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is re-commencing, weekly, in the parish on the following days and times..

**Feumore Mass Centre:** Mondays 11.00am 12 noon

**St James Church.** Monday: 7.00pm 8.00pm

**Mater Dei Church:** Tuesday 7.30pm 8.30pm

Wednesday 10.00am 12 noon

**St Joseph's Church:** Thursday 7.00pm 9.00pm

'**Adoration**' is an opportunity for quiet, personal prayer and meditation in the special presence of Christ. Drop in for a moment or two, or for as long as you wish, within the above times. Apart from Mass, its the best occasion to make a request, or a thanksgiving, or just have a little peace. There is sufficient space for all to safely socially distance themselves in a sanitised environment.

**PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES:** The boxes of Parish Offering envelopes for the new financial year beginning 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021 are now available for collection from Mater Dei and St Joseph Churches. Please call at the Church to collect them. It would also help if volunteers would be willing to deliver in some areas of the parish. Please contact the parish office.

Parishioners will be aware that Parish income has dropped significantly over these past twelve months. Yet maintenance of the parish infrastructure continues, as does the demand to try to continue to reduce parish debt which sits at £450,000.

If you wish to switch your method of support from using Parish Envelopes to a Bank Transfer, forms to assist you are available at the back of the Churches or from the parish office.

### **NEW PARISH DRAW 2021/22:**

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The new Parish Draw for 2021/22 begins on 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Just £10 per month. Renewal Forms are being distributed to existing members and we hope you will continue to support the Draw.

New members are encouraged to join. If you haven't been a member before please pick up a form from the back of the Churches or the Parish Office for information about joining and various options to pay or contact the Parish Office

### **THE CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASS**

We will need to continue with the practice of booking seats for each Mass Please telephone the Parish Office on Thursday or Friday only between 10am -12noon.

We will also need teams of parishioners to greet and seat those who attend. These Covid stewards' also help sanitize the church after Mass.

Mass cannot be provided unless stewards are present. In particular we need volunteers for the 12 noon Mass in St Joseph's. If you would be willing help please contact the parish office as soon as possible this week.

**The wearing of facemasks in Church is mandatory.**

**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](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