

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

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 Thursday 5th. July 2021. Winning Numbers: 18–22–24–28. The Jackpot stands at £3,000. No winner. 2nd. Jackpot £2,300. 3 Numbers winners £10 Tanya Gilbride: Lucky Dip winners 3 x £10 Edward Nelson–Ethel Bushe–Briege McStay Next week's Jackpot £3,000. 2nd. £2,350.

HOMEHELP REQUIRED: two mornings and one evening per week. Contact 94454476 for further information.

COFFEE MORNING in St Clare's Hall every Friday @10.00am (Face Masks Mandatory)

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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

PARISH OFFICE.

Please note that the parish office will have limited opening hours for the next few weeks.

Monday—Tuesday and Thursday 10.00am—12.00noon

Parish Bingo

**in St Clare's Community Hall
every Thursday
at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.**

Jackpot £1,000 in **50** Numbers

All social distancing measures in place.

Please remember to wear your mask.



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 15TH AUGUST 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:

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THE SLOW WORK OF GOD

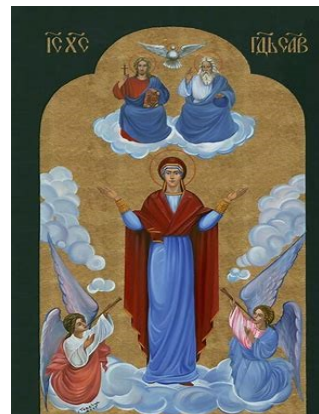
'Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.' (Pierre Teilhard de Chardin)


These beautiful words from French philosopher Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ speak of the sometimes-tortuous experience of waiting. In it the author gives us permission to not have all the answers, to allow our faith time to grow and develop. Above all, he invites us to do that most difficult of things: live in the present moment, and surrender ourselves to God in that moment.

This poem comes to mind as I think about today's celebration of the Feast of the Assumption, when we recall Mary's role in the life of Jesus and in salvation. In our Gospel extract we meet Mary, pregnant and celebrating with her relative Elizabeth. Given the circumstances, it would be understandable if she was unsure and fearful. Her future is uncertain, as is that of her soon-to-be-born son. She cannot yet comprehend the enormity of what is to come. But Mary seems content to wait. When Elizabeth proclaims Mary as 'blessed', Mary bursts into prayer, praising God for his greatness and for 'looking upon his lowly handmaid'.

In modern terms, it is a lesson in mindfulness. When we find ourselves impatient, struggling to comprehend or trust God's ways, let us turn to Mary who accepted God's plan with trust and hope, allowing it all to unfold one step at a time.

Triona Doherty



	16th August	22nd August	Mass Intentions
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Ambrose McKeever Jerome Cleary		
Tue		7.00pm George & Mary Alice Grant	
Wed		9.30am P.I.	
Thur	9.30am P.I.		
Fri	9.30am Kenneth Nelson		
Sat		6.00pm vigil Francis & Eilish O'Brien	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00 noon Tiernan Kane-Cavanagh	10.45am Sean Doherty	

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION on **15 August** was celebrated in the Eastern Church from the 6th Century. The Catholic Church adopted this date as a Holy Day of Obligation to commemorate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a reference to the belief in a real, physical elevation of her sinless soul and incorrupt body into Heaven.

RECENTLY DECEASED: James Hughes (*Chestnut Glen*), William Gilmore (*Tullynewbank Road*), Eamon Moore (*Ingram's Road*)

ANNIVERSARIES: Ambrose McKeever, Jerome Cleary, William McGarrell, Daniel Crossey, Jim Brazier (20th), William Cardwell, Dan & Josephine McCambridge, George & Mary Alice Grant, Kenneth Nelson.

SANCTUARY LAMP: Special Intention,

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO after 12noon Mass today . Children leading the procession are asked to wear their First Communion outfits. Refreshments afterwards.

PARISH DRAW 2021/22: Week 15

Winner £500: Leanne McCartan Glenavy
 Winner £100: Clodhna Crossen Aldergrove
 Winner £50 Liam Moore Glenavy
 Congratulations to our winners .
 Thank you to all members for your continued support

COLLECTIONS 02/08/2021

WEEKLY OFFERING: £2,441
 Thank you for your generosity

GROWTH IN PRAYER AND REFLECTIVE LIVING, Commencing Monday, 20 September, hosted by Drumalis via Zoom. Applications are now being accepted for the third intake of this popular one-year programme for those who want a closer relationship with God. Living out faith isn't easy against the backdrop of our fast-paced, noisy and instantaneous culture. The **Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living** course will give you the tools and space to become attuned to God's voice in the midst of the clamour. The course will take place over 21 Monday evening sessions from 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm via Zoom. For further information, please contact 028 28276455/28272196 during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) or email maura@drumalis.co.uk Details are also available on the Drumalis website - <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

Returning to Sunday Mass

The widespread vaccination programme is giving more parishioners confidence to return to the celebration of Sunday Mass. Some however are a little nervous of being in the Church and sometimes there may not be sufficient seating given the requirement for social distancing.

Now that Liturgies from both our Churches are available on web-cam and many people have smart phones, it is suggested that some might be more comfortable remaining in their cars and viewing the Mass on line on their phone. At the appropriate time a Minister of the Eucharist will distribute Holy Communion at the Church door, after which the family or individuals could return to their car to make their thanksgiving and receive the Closing prayers and blessing.

This arrangement is most suitable for Mater Dei Church as the signal is stronger here than at St Joseph's. An imaginative proposal to overcome the limitations of this pandemic.

www.churchservices.tv/glenavystjosephs
www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin

THE CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASS

We will need to continue with the practice of booking seats for each Mass. **(There is no longer need to book for the 12noon Mass in St Joseph's as there is plenty of room.)** 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.

Please be aware that recently revised health regulations require Face-masks to be worn while entering and leaving the Church and during movement within the church, such as when going forward to receive Holy Communion. The wearing of a facemask while seated however, is no longer mandatory, though you are strongly encouraged to do so

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