

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 29th. July 2021. Winning Numbers: 1-20-21-22. The Jackpot stands at £3,000. No Winner. 2nd. Jackpot £2,250. 3 Numbers Winners £10: Bronagh Payne-Briege McStay. Lucky Dip winners 3 x £10 John Crossey-Lewis O'Neill-Tanya Gilbride. Next week's Jackpot £3,000. 2nd. £2,300.

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

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

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.



**19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
8TH 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:

Monday - Friday 10am - 12.00.

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 www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish

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GOSPEL

One of the techniques used frequently in the gospel of John is that of misunderstanding. In the case of Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman they misunderstand his words about being born again (3:4) and living water (4:15) and this leads to further revelation or explanation by Jesus. Now those who hear Jesus saying that he is the bread of life come down from heaven fail to grasp the significance of the statement and insist that they know where he is from. Jesus, however, continues with his revelatory discourse and shows how he is indeed the one sent by God to give life. To believe in Jesus is come to life, a life that never ends. We come to this life through believing in Jesus who offers his life (flesh) for the sake of the world. Until now, in using the symbol of bread the focus has been on believing in who Jesus is, but with the change in language from bread to flesh there will be a shift in meaning towards a reflection on his death on the cross and the Eucharist. The gospel of John does not make for easy reading because of its layers of meaning and great depth but it offers great inspiration if we but try.


REFLECTION

We are invited on the first reading, to recognise ourselves in the Elijah story as people who, if they are to be faithful on the journey, need to be sustained. We can easily become dispirited either at our own shortcomings or at the failings of others. However, as we are often reminded in the scriptures, we must learn to rely not only on our own resources but on the guiding presence of God that directs our life. It is probably true to say that it is almost a necessity in our journey of faith that we come to a low point. In the biblical tradition and in that of the church, all the heroes and heroines come to a stage where they too have to acknowledge their own weakness and utter dependence on God. This does not come easily to us because it can seem like failure. That is when we need to remind ourselves of what the Lord said to Paul: 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' (2 Cor 12:9)

Sean Goan

Let the reader understand



	9th August	15th August	Mass Intentions
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Brenda Morris		
Tue		7.00pm Sr Margaret Bryans	
Wed		9.30am PI	
Thur	9.30am Annie Horner		
Fri	9.30am PI		
Sat		6.00pm vigil	
Sun	THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION 9.30am	THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION 10.45am	
	12.00 noon		

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: Aidan McAleese

MONTH'S MIND: Brenda Morris, Joseph Mooney,

ANNIVERSARIES: Michael Doherty (1st), Anne Cecilia Maguire, Dorothea Doone, Ger-tie Hickland, Rosaleen Magennis, David Lenaghan, Charles O'Hara, Annie Horner, Sr Margaret Bryans, Daniel, Mary & James Kelly,

SANCTUARY LAMP: Special Intention, GC

ROSARY AT THE GROTTA after 12noon Mass on 15th September . Children leading the procession are asked to wear their First Communion outfits. Refreshments afterwards.

PARISH DRAW 2021/22:

Week 14

Winner £100: Desmond McCann
 Winner £50 Brenda Genevieve Gallagher Glenavy
 Congratulations to our winners .
 Thank you to all members for your continued support

COLLECTIONS 02/08/2021

WEEKLY OFFERING: £2,750

Thank you for your generosity

DOWN AND CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST

PARISH SECRETARY — PARTTIME GLENNAVY AND KILLEAD PARISH

A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Secretary within Glenavy and Killead Parish, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, Crumlin, Co Antrim, BT29 4LY.

The post holder will be required to: • provide confidential, efficient and effective secretarial support to the Parish Priest, and assistance to visitors and parishioners who visit or make contact with the Parish office; • effectively and efficiently manage and maintain the Parish Office.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 26 hours per week, Monday - Thursday 9.45am – 2.45pm and Friday 9.45am – 3.45pm.

Rate of Pay - £10.50 gross per hour.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: **JOB VACANCIES** and on njobs.com and on the Community NI website, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form. Application packs can also be obtained from Glenavy and Killead Parish Office.

We welcome applications from anyone who feels they meet the criteria and are interested in playing an active part in the Parish.

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Friday 13th August 2021

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employee

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 some-times 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 Facemasks 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