

St Clare's Hall Coffee morning every Friday @ 10.00am (Face Masks Mandatory)

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 14 April 2022.** Winning Numbers:1-11-12-23. Jackpot £3,000 No jackpot winner; 3 Number winners None ; Lucky Dips Trea Clenaghan, Liz Doone, Fergal Clenaghan; Next week's Jackpot £3,000 . New Jackpot £1050. Thank you for your support.

Enrolment of the Pope John Paul II Award Group if you are aged 16/17, year 13/14 and are interested in joining JPPII, please contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292

Weekly Offering Boxes Please collect your offering boxes for the period April 2022 to March 2023 from the back of St Joseph's or Mater Dei churches

Parish Bethany Support Group: A member of the Bethany group may be contacted on Tel 07746032796 or 07967704592

Irish Men's Rosary of reparation, repentance and conversation for our nations on the street led by men. Taking place Saturdays at 1.00pm at the following locations; Newcastle, Newcastle Centre, Main Street – 07/05/22, Lisburn, The Linen Centre - 04/06/22 and Enniskillen, Middleton St – 02/07/22. For enquiries please call Owen 0044725166090.

Rosary at the Grottos The Rosary will be prayed each day during the month of May at hundreds of grottos around the Island of Ireland. To see a list of locations, register a grotto, or other suitable location visit www.coastalrosaryireland.ie You can also register by texting 087 278 6552. We are praying for Ireland and for peace in the world.

"Come Away and Rest Awhile" CARA RETREAT Are you a parent of a young person with a disability? Would you like to take some time out to pray, reflect and meet other parents? Join Drumalis Retreat Centre beginning Friday 24th June, 6pm until Saturday 25th June, 4pm For information or to register contact: Louise McQuillan 07922437679 or l.mcquillan@downandconnor.org

Lost & Found A card & envelope containing a sum of money was lost on 21 April 2022 outside St Joseph's church, if found please contact the parish office. A set of keys were found in St Joseph's graveyard and can be collected at the parish office.

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 masks



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER; 24 APRIL 2022

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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 - 3.00pm
Secretary: Joan McShane Tel: 028 94422278
Email: glenavy@downandconnor.org
Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish
A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Only faith

Jesus spoke in short sentences and summed up a lot of life in a few words. His final beatitude is in the gospel today - '*Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.*' You can unpack that little phrase and in it you realise that faith is about things that cannot be proved, that it is not easy and that it brings a blessedness to life. It also includes ourselves - the ones of this year who still believe.



Something is only by faith when everything else fades off. Our loved ones die and only faith assures us that they are alive with God. Only faith assures us that Jesus is present in the mystery of the bread and wine at our Mass. Only faith assures us that he is with us when two or three gather and only faith assures us that what we do for others we do for him. Faith assures us of some of the best things of life; finally that we come from God and go to God.

Thomas found difficulty with all this. Jesus dealt gently with him, pointing out the wounds of his body and inviting him to touch them. But Thomas never needed to touch the holes in Jesus' hands and feet. He was told that an even better happiness was to believe without touch or sight. He found faith now in the risen Lord, and the faith itself was Jesus' final gift to Thomas.

We need to take time and let faith grow within us. This can be in prayer, in faith-conversation and in allowing ourselves sit quietly and be in the presence of God. In the busy world, this may be difficult, but no day is diminished by time spent in silence and in quiet, knowing we are richly blessed when we grow our faith in God.

***Lord, I believe in your presence
with me and within me.
Strengthen my belief.***

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25 APRIL— 1 MAY MASS INTENTIONS

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am P.I.		Mon Adoration 7pm-8pm
Tue		7.00pm Elizabeth Jane Skelton Anniv Rosary 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm	 <p align="center">Feumore Mass Centre</p>
Wed		9.30am Stephen Mansell Anniv Adoration 10.00am -12.00pm	
Thurs	9.30am Linda Bourquin 1st Anniv		
Fri	9.30am Bess McCleave Aniv		
Sat		6.00pm P.P.	Sun Adoration 7.30pm—8.30pm
Sun	9.30am Roy & Katrina Connolly Anniv 12.00 pm John McNally Anniv	10.45am Joseph Mulholland Anniv	Mon Adoration 11.00am—12.00pm

Recently Deceased; Mary Brankin (*Old Moira Road*)

Anniversaries Linda Bourquin (1st), Elizabeth Skelton, Stephen Mansell, Bess McCleave, Roy & Katrina Connolly, Joseph Mulholland, John McNally, Josephine Mulholland, Phelim & Brigid McGarry, Phylis Brankin, Geraldine Kerr, Marie Doone, Sean Henry, Bernard McCann, Kenneth Jordan

Sanctuary Lamps: Patricia Armstrong – Special Intention

Weddings :Congratulations to Monica Heatley & Bradley Fletcher and Louise McCoy & Stephen Williams who were married in Christ

COLLECTIONS 17/04/22

Weekly Offering: £3,364

Easter Offering; £1,585

Catholics in the Holy Land; £370

Thank you for your generosity

New Parish Draw 2022/23 Please return your renewal forms to the Parish Office or in the baskets at weekend Mass as soon as possible.

The Parish Draw is a valuable source of income for our Parish and there are generous prizes to be won. The new **Parish Draw for 2022/23 begins on 2 May**, just £10 per month. Renewal forms have been 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 further information about joining and the options on how to pay, please contact the Parish Office on 02894 422278.

Sacrament of Confirmation Please keep the girls and boys of Gaelscoil Ghleann Darach in your prayers as they are about to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on 2 May 2022.

Obligation to attend Sunday/Holyday Mass: With the easing of Covid-19 restrictions, it is encouraging to see a return to a fuller liturgical life in our parishes. Thankful that we can once again gather as communities of faith, the Irish Bishops have announced that attending Mass on Sunday and Holydays of Obligation will from Easter Sunday (17th April 2022) once again be deemed an essential expression of faith. As always, those whose health is vulnerable or who are unwell will not be under any obligation to attend Mass.

Divine Mercy Sunday; Would you like your soul to be as pure as on the day you were baptised? If the answer is yes, read on! St John Paul II canonised a Polish nun, Sister Faustina (1905 – 1938) on the Sunday after Easter in 2000 and said that from then on the Sunday after Easter was to be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. In a revelation Jesus told Sr Faustina (Diary 1109) 'I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confessions and receive Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday' the conditions for receiving this grace, including going to Confession can be fulfilled on Divine Mercy Sunday (24 April this year) at any of the following churches; St Peter's Cathedral, Albert St, Belfast at 2.30pm. The Sacred Heart Church, Old Park Rd, North Belfast at 2.15pm, St Paul's Falls Road, Belfast at 1.00pm.

Trocaire Lenten campaign 2022 Please return your Trocaire box to the churches or parish office immediately.

Easter Whist in aid of parish funds will be held in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 24 April @ 7pm. Scorecards £6 . Supper provided and ballot.

"Come Away and Rest Awhile" CARA RETREAT Are you a parent of a young person with a disability? Would you like to take some time out to pray, reflect and meet other parents? If the answer is yes we would love you to join us for a parents retreat at: Drumalis Retreat Centre beginning Friday 24th June, 6pm until Saturday 25th June, 4pm For information or to register your interest contact: Louise McQuillan Tel: 07922437679 Email: l.mcquillan@downandconnor.org

Glenavy and Killead Baptism Preparation The Parish Baptism preparation team are seeking volunteers to help with the delivery of this programme. Baptism preparation is important for new parents and godparents to gain an understanding of the sacrament, the rite of Baptism and their undertaking on behalf of their child at the start of their relationship with God. The programme is one-hour session provided twice per month, remotely via Zoom and will require you to have computer and internet access from home. Training and support will be available starting in January 2022. If you are interested in participating, please contact the Parish Office and leave your contact details. Thank you.

Web Camera's Mater Dei Church and St Joseph's are both equipped with web-cameras. All Liturgies are broadcast. The cameras are live 24/7 and are focused on the Sanctuaries and first three seats at the front of each Church. To access the broadcasts, go to: www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy or www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin. The web-cams enable us to attend Mass, however they do not allow us to receive the Eucharist, the Body of Christ. When possible, we should attend Mass in the Church whenever our circumstances permit in order to receive Holy Communion.

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

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima 2022: Full board in hotel: 7 nights (8-15 September) from £689 per person sharing. For further enquiries and bookings contact Joe Catney 02890714001/0776425631

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

Beginning Experience The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (April 30, May 28 and June 25.) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Phil: **02890 207645** or Marie **07896119669**.

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.

HSC NI Foster Care is urgently appealing for more foster carers and supported lodgings hosts who can provide homes to young refugees who arrive in Northern Ireland without a parent or carer. For more information on becoming a foster carer or supported lodgings host, contact HSC NI Foster Care on 0800 0720 137 or visit adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net/young-refugees/

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: **Parish of Glenavy and Killead Sort Code 98 04 60. Account 10654677**. 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.

SAFEGUARDING OFFICE SUPPORT PERSON Down and Connor Diocesan Trust are seeking to establish a Panel of individuals who will be engaged in the role of 'Support Person' attached to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. If interested in this opportunity further, details to include Registration of Interest form, Role Profile and General information document are available on the Diocesan website at <https://www.downandconnor.org/job-vacancies/> Closing date for Registration of Interest will be 12.00 noon on Friday 29th April 2022.

DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022 This year's Diocesan Pilgrimage, our first since 2019, will, due to the ongoing effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, be smaller and different from previous pilgrimages. There will be no medical or nursing support available from the Pilgrimage Committee and the Youth Team will be limited in number. The Pilgrimage is from 13 – 18 July £685 Fares per person sharing, inclusive of return flights from Belfast Intl., transfers, full-board accommodation, insurance and courier services* For more information or to request a booking form contact: Lourdes Pilgrimage Office (028) 9077 0162 lourdes@downandconnor.org *Certain conditions apply.

Ministers of the Word: There is an urgent need to recruit additional Ministers of the Word for service in Mater Dei and St Joseph's Churches. This is a most important lay Ministry for which training will be given. If you feel you could fulfil this role please leave your details in the Parish Office or speak to Fr Mc Bride as soon as possible.

A Biblical walk with the Blessed Mother – Online Course & Retreat Day beginning on Monday 2nd May @7:00 pm for 5 weeks concluding with a Retreat day on Saturday 4th June 2022 10:00-4:30 pm. Venue: Parish centre, Parish of Maghera, Newcastle. The cost of the programme including your study materials and the retreat day (including lunch) is £35. To register e-mail livingchurch@downandconnor.org

Saint Vincent De Paul—Crumlin conference Emergency helpline **07754427088**. Donations can be made via the Crumlin SVP conference bank account. Account number 41965035, sort code 980460. **St Joseph Glenavy Conference** Emergency helpline **07784955647**. Donation can be made 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.

Lough Derg re opens and welcomes Pilgrims again - 3 Day Pilgrimage: 1st June - 15th August. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups. 1 Day Retreats and guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates in May and late August through September. Booking essential. All booking information at www.loughderg.org, email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. *Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.*