

St Clare's Hall – available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funerals. Contact 07517779334 or stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com **Upcoming events Sunday 9th October - 10am, Messy Babies** (aged 0 -2) art class, 12noon **Crafts for Little Hands: Zog** (aged 3 - 6), 2pm **Clay Sculpture: Magical Creatures (6+)**. All art classes £5 per child. **Friday 14th October, 7.30pm - Rag Wreath Making Workshop.** Suitable for all abilities. Please bring your own scissors. All other materials provided. £20 per person. **Saturday 22nd October, 7.30pm - Wine and Paint: Cauldrons and Potions.** All art materials provided. BYOB. £10 per person. **Sunday 30th October 1pm - 3pm - Pumpkin day** £7 per child. **Contact Claire on 07887405964 for any of the workshops.**

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 29 September 2022. Winning Numbers:10-11-13-17. Jackpot £2,150 No Jackpot winner 3 Number Winner's: Emmet McCorry, Sean Power, Shree McCabe Lucky Dips; Ethel O'Neill, Cathy Nelson, Ciara Campbell Next week's Jackpot £2,200. Thank you for your support.

Certificate in Christian Thought – Adult Faith Development Programme
Two-year, part-time course, now enrolling for 2022-2023 intake For further information, please email maura@drumalis.co.uk or phone 02828 276455/02828 272196 (during office hours)

Down & Connor Diocesan Trust Vacancies –Assistant Finance Officer x 2 Permanent full time posts (35 hours per week, Monday – Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm). The successful candidates will provide guidance on financial accuracy, internal controls & regulatory compliance across the Parish networks. The posts are hybrid, based at the Curia Office, 75 Somerton Road, Belfast, also required to work across the Parish Network and there will be an element of home working. Salary within the range £25k to £35k gross commensurate upon experience. **Executive Support Officer Permanent full time post (35 hours per week, Monday – Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm)** The successful candidate will provide a full portfolio of support to include secretarial, clerical, administrative and diary management services to the Bishop of Down and Connor, Senior Clergy and Management Team. They will be based at 75 Somerton Road. Salary within the range £27k to £30k gross commensurate upon experience. Full details on these vacancies can be found on the Diocesan website <http://www.downandconnor.org>, clicking on: [job vacancies](#) and [Community NI](#) and [nijobs.com](#) website **Closing date for these vacancies is 6 October 2022 at 12.00 noon**

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



DAY FOR LIFE SUNDAY
2 October 2022

Very Rev Canon 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
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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Catechesis on Old Age

In 2022, over a number of weeks, Pope Francis used his weekly Wednesday audience to offer in depth catechesis on old age. There are many pearls of wisdom in this series including this one:

'The little ones learn the power of tenderness and respect for frailty: irreplaceable lessons that are easier to impart and receive with grandparents. For their part, grandparents learn that tenderness and frailty are not solely signs of decline: for young people, they are conditions that humanise the future.'

Pope Francis, Catechesis on Old Age

Gift of Faith

Interesting that Jesus says we don't need much faith, only the size of a mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds in his time. Does he really mean this?

He seems to be saying that faith does not depend on us. It is a gift from God which grows throughout our lives 'fanned into a flame', as in the second reading. We need to have confidence in the faith we have rather than always berating ourselves that it is little. In the Christian parish and community there is often more faith than we realise.


In a parish we have the people who serve the sick and the poor; those who pray a lot and those who worship; those who reflect on faith and question. There are the families where faith is expressed in many different ways. Every moment where we come in touch with the world beyond ourselves, whether directly religious or not, is a moment of faith.

We need the faith community. We need to work together for the just world recognised in the first reading as the prophet 'denounces violence, contention and discord/ We need the leadership of the community, clerical and lay, to point out ways of faith for our culture and our times, In this way God grows the mustard seed, which is the beginning of faith. In the end faith grows in surprising ways. God is at work all the time, supporting our faith in varied and heartfelt ways.

Lord, I believe, strengthen my belief.

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3 October —9 October Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	No Mass		Mon Adoration 7.00pm-8.00pm
Tue		7.00pm Jack & Marie Loughan Anniv Rosary 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm	 Feumore Mass Centre Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Mon Adoration 11.00am—12.00pm
Wed		9.30am In Honour of St Faustina Adoration 10.00am -12.00pm	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9.00pm		
Fri	9.30am In Honour of Our Lady of the Rosary 6.00pm Sacrament of		
Sat		6.00pm Laurena Rice (Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00 p.m Eilish Crossey (Month's Mind)	10.45am Angus Grant (Anniv)	

Recently Deceased Liam Mulholland (England)

Month's Mind Eilish Crossey

Anniversaries Stephen McAllister, Jack & Marie Loughan, Laurena Rice, Angus Grant, Ann McCambridge, Desmond McCambridge, Margaret Mulholland, Sammy Heatley, Greta McCann, John Corr, Margaret Burns,

Baptism's We welcome to the family of God Oisín McNamara, Cillian Hendron, Rosie Scullion, James McClarnon

Sanctuary Lamp Sammy & Eileen Heatley, Special Intention AO'R

Collections 25/09/22

Weekly Offering: £3,842

Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW 2022/23: Week 22

Winner: £100 John Brankin (*Ballinderry Upper*)

Winner: £50 Aisling Dean (*Crumlin*)

Congratulation to our winners

Christmas Bazaar The Christmas Bazaar will return on Sunday 4 December 2022. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 5 October at 7.30pm in the Annex of St Joseph's Church. New and additional helpers are needed for this major event. Please come along and lend a hand.

Parish Draw 2022 For those members of the parish draw who pay in two instalments, the second payment is now due

Day for Life 2022 – Caring for the Older Person is celebrated annually. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. This year's *Day for Life* will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 2 October on the theme 'Caring for the Older Person'. We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families and in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. We call for people and parishes to devote quality time, energy and creativity in caring for the older persons in our communities. We invite engagement in political debate on providing adequately resourced care of older persons so that no-one feels like a burden in our society. Saint Joachim and Saint Anne – Pray for us! To read the pastoral message for Day for Life in full, visit www.councilforlife.ie

Parish Pastoral Council A number of the members of the Pastoral Council have now completed their period of service. We are very grateful for their faithful and generous commitment in support of the parish. There is now a need to recruit some new members. Every parish is required to have a Pastoral Council to assist/guide the priest of the parish in the provision of spiritual/pastoral services. If you would be willing to help, please contact Canon Mc Bride for more information as soon as possible.

Legion of Mary—Annual Rosary Procession—9 October 2022 St John's Church, Falls Road, Belfast. Assemble @ 2:45pm – Leaving @ 3:00pm Processing to: St Michael's Church, Finaghy Road North for Benediction (Tea/Coffee provided after in Parish Hall) Come join Us "There's no problem, no matter how difficult, that the Rosary can't solve" Sister Lucia, Fatima

Rosary at the grotto at St Joseph's every Thursday at 7pm.

The Glenavy Branch of the Apostolic Work are holding an Afternoon Tea in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 16 October 2022 from 3pm – 5pm. Tickets £5 each are available from any member of the Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work.

Annual Coastal Rosary for Faith & Life in Ireland will take place on Sunday 9th October at 2.30pm at the grotto in St Joseph's

Anam Cara Belfast, monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents, Monday 10th October at 7:30pm in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Belfast. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. Online meeting will take place on Monday 17th October at 7pm. To join please ring 028 95213120.

Children's Liturgy Leaders We now wish to recruit Leaders for the Children's Liturgy at **10.45am Mass in Mater Dei** Training will be given. Children who attend the Children's Liturgy group range in age up to primary 5. Please leave details with the Parish Office if you would like to become a leader.

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.

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.

Making your offering to the church Parishioners are encouraged to make donations to the parish either by using the parish envelopes or by means of bank transfer. It is of great benefit to the parish when we can record donations so that gift aid can be claimed, if applicable. If you would like to donate using envelopes, please contact the parish office. Alternatively, 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 relevant 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 Canon McBride.

Trócaire is looking for people to join our team of Christmas fundraisers to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world. Training and support will be provided For more information email Mark McMahon at info-ni@trocaire.org or call 028 9090 8030.

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.

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

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

Safeguarding notice The Safeguarding Office have been in contact with our Parish and Safeguarding Committee in relation to identifying training needs within our Parish. If you are a leader or volunteer involved in any activity involving children, please contact the Parish Safeguarding Committee to agree any training requirements.