

**GH Tyres and Auto Services** : 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Bries, General Service, and repairs Tel:94423113.  
**Rosary at the grotto** at St Joseph's every Thursday at 7pm.  
**St Joseph's GAC**: Lotto Results Thursday 1 December 2022. Winning Numbers; 8-12-17-25. Jackpot £550 No jackpot winner. 3 Number winners; Anne Burnett, Patricia Connolly Lucky Dips; Fionnuala Brennan, Elaine Murphy, Sandra Magee Next week's Jackpot £600. Thank you for your support.

**St Clare's Hall, What's on?– Monday** Table Tennis 6.30 – 8.30pm, Indoor Bowls 8 – 10pm, **Tuesday** Pickleball 10am – 12pm & 8pm – 10pm, Irish Dancing (Brazier School) – 4.45 – 7.45pm, Book Club (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues each mth) 7.30 – 9.30pm, **Wednesday** Friendship group (55+) 10.30 – 1pm, Yoga 6 – 7pm & 7 – 8pm, DR Jive 8 – 10pm, **Thursday** Irish Dancing (Brazier School) 4.30 – 5.30pm, Judo 6 – 7pm, Bingo 8 – 9.30pm, **Friday** Mother & Toddlers 9.30 – 11.30am, Coffee Morning 10 – 11am, **Saturday** Playball 9.15 – 10am, 10 – 10.45am & 10.45 – 11.30am, Selby Conservatoire of Performing Arts 11.30 – 2pm **also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funerals.** Contact 07517779334 or [stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com](mailto:stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com)  
**St Clare's Christmas fair** jammed back with fabulous local sellers. Sunday 11 December 6 - 8.30pm.

**St Clare's Bowling Club** We are looking for new members, young or old. Practice on Monday at 8pm. Come along and have fun.

**Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols – Queen's University Catholic Chaplaincy** The students warmly invite you to join them for their annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols with music and song provided by the Chaplaincy Choir, Canticle. The service takes place in the Catholic Chaplaincy QUB, 28 Elmwood Avenue, Belfast on Sunday 11 December at 5pm. Retiring collection in aid of the Order of Malta's Appeal for the Holy Family Maternity Hospital in Bethlehem. Festive refreshments to follow.  
**Lost & Found** Purse found in St Joseph's Church, please contact the Parish Office

**PARISH BINGO**  
**in St Clare's Community Hall**  
**Every Thursday at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.**  
**Jackpot £1,000 in 51 Numbers**  
**All social distancing measures in place.**  
**Please remember to wear your masks**



**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**4 December 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: 94 422278  
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Parish Website: [glenavyandkilleadparish.com](http://glenavyandkilleadparish.com)  
[www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish](http://www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish)  
**A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**Thursday 8 December 2022**  
**Holy Day of Obligation**

**Mass Times**  
**Mater Dei Wednesday @ 7.00pm (Vigil Mass)**  
**St Joseph's Thursday @ 9.30am**

*The straight way*

Before the motorways a journey took ages, with twists and turns, corners and hills. Now much has been made straight. John's message was that we would live along a path where words and actions match, and where kindness matches convictions. John the Baptist was a man on one mission - to be the messenger of the one he did not know. His life had a vision and a purpose, like when we are really committed to people or to causes or to the poor or to peace in the world. John was the man of desert food and desert dress; he took time out to find what the biggest thing in life was and then kept following it, often not knowing where it would go. The human heart is complicated, and we know that. We need that one who will touch our hearts with love and forgiveness and guide us himself in ways that are straight, and whose hand will guide us along straight paths when we need it. God's guiding is gentle. John found that Jesus was a gentler guide: no name-calling, no bringing the axe to the tree, but calling each of us his friend, and nourishing the tree rather than cutting it down. Jesus would melt the snow to make a path, not hack at it and destroy in the process. Our hearts can be melted by the love of God and love of others. Think of or remember a time when you made a decision to follow the way of Jesus. Offer this to him again.

*Lord God, make our hearts like yours.*

**5 December —11 December Mass Intentions**

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Mon Adoration 7.00pm-8.00pm
Tue		7.00pm Jack & Margaret O'Brien Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am P.I. Adoration 10.00am -12.00pm 7.00pm Vigil Mass Feast of the Immaculate Conception	
Thurs	9.30am Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Adoration 7pm—9.00pm		
Fri	9.30am Bishop Fulton Sheen (Anniv) Clare Walsh (Anniv)		
Sat		6.00pm Aaron Webb (1st Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am William Brankin (Anniv) Kathleen & Patrick McBride (Anniv) 12.00 p.m Dearbhla Harbinson (Anniv) Hugh Brankin (1st Anniv)	10.45am P.P.	
			Feumore Mass Centre  Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm  Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm  Mon Adoration 11.00am—12.00pm

**Months Mind** Monica McGarry

**Anniversaries** Aaron Webb (1st), Hugh Brankin (1st), William Brankin, Kathleen & Patrick McBride, Dearbhla Harbinson, Niall Mulholland, Kathleen Brankin, Kathleen McGann, Brendan Skelton, Marie, Jim & Hope Mulholland, Paddy & Margaret Gillen, Lily McCullagh, Gerardine Cummins, Grace Kelly, Annie Heatley, Jonnie McAreavey, Mary & Mick McCorry, Kathleen Strickland, Doris Mulholland

**Baptism's** We welcome to God's family Sophia McPeake, Elora Belle Chrisulis—McCallion, Claragh Kane, Charlie Walsh

**Sanctuary Lamp** Special Intention (MM)

**Collections 27/11/22**

Weekly Offering: £3,086

**Thank you for your generosity**

**PARISH DRAW 2022/23: Week 31**

Winner: £100 M Keating (Crumlin)

Winner: £50 Mark Hickland (Ballinderry Upper)

**Congratulations to our winners**

**PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** Don't forget the Christmas Bazaar is taking place this weekend, **Sunday 4 December 2022** between 2pm and 5pm in St Clare's Hall, Glenavy. Everyone welcome.

**Do This in Memory Programme** The children and their families who have joined the Do This in Memory Programme are invited to attend the Mass **next Sunday 11 December** at 9.30am in St Joseph's or 10.45am in Mater Dei

**Christmas Whist Sunday 18th December at 7pm in aid of parish funds.** Scorecards are £6, which includes a ballot and refreshments. Great prizes to be won and everyone welcome

**The Glenavy Branch of the Apostolic** would like to thank everyone who supported our Christmas Sale and Church Door Collections over the last two weekends. The sum of £3,810 was raised for this good cause. Many thanks to you all.

**Saint Vincent De Paul—Crumlin Conference (St James)** 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.

**Knights of St Columbanus** This Catholic men's organisation is offering to establish a branch in our parish. Presently those interested are part of the Aghagallon branch. We would like to recruit additional members so that those interested can be of service in our own parish. If you would like more information, please contact the parish office

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

**Youth Alpha** started on Thursday 1 December 22 and will continue for 5 Thursdays in the Annex of St Joseph's Church, Glenavy. All those aged between 16 and 20 are welcome to come along, especially those completing Pope John Paul Award. All welcome for fun, friendship, and food. Contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292

**Legion of Mary event Holy Hour and Candlelight Procession** for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Saint Mary's, Chapel Lane, Belfast. Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 commencing at 6.30pm. Light refreshments available following the procession. All are welcome

**St Dominic's Grammar School for Girls** would like to invite P6 and P7 Pupils to their Open day will take place on Saturday 14 January between 9.30am and 11.00am.

**Parish Office will be closed** on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**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.

**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

**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](http://www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy) or [www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin](http://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.

**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.

**Special Belfast Pilgrimage to Fatima** 9-14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 Ex Dublin for Feast Day of Saint Anthony Patron Saint of Portugal visit Saint Anthony's birthplace and baptismal font in Lisbon contact James Treacy 0035361921470

**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

**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.