

**GH Tyres and Auto Services** : 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Bries, General Service, and repairs Tel:94423113.

**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.

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

**St Joseph's GAC Annual Charity Quiz** Wednesday 28 December 2022 in Lily's. Proceeds in aid of St Vincent De Paul

**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.

**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

**Youth Alpha** started on Thursday 1 December 22 and will continue for 4 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

## **PARISH BINGO**

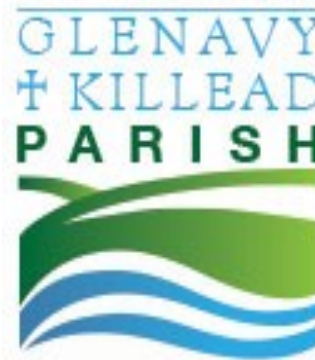
**in St Clare's Community Hall**

**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**



## **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**11 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

Email: [glenavy@downandconnor.org](mailto:glenavy@downandconnor.org)

Parish Website: [glenavyandkilleadparish.com](http://glenavyandkilleadparish.com)

[www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish](http://www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish)

**A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community**

### **Good news of God**

John the Baptist was a man of passionate commitment to what he believed in. He strongly believed in the coming of the Christ. This man of faith was being tested in that Jesus was a different type of Christ or Messiah from what he expected. He often wondered who the Messiah would be.



John was a man with a lot of conviction and truth. He preached what he believed. He practised what he taught. But he seemed to miss the point sometimes. He seemed to miss that Jesus would be found, not in preaching only but in help-ing others.

John preached repentance for sin; Jesus preached the coming of the kingdom. The blind would see, and the lame would walk, these were to be signs of the coming of the 'One to come'.

Pope Francis says

*There is no prayer in which Jesus does not inspire us to do something/ Our faith in Jesus is seen in strong action. The poor are helped at our pre-Christmas collections. We might ask not what we might get for Christmas, but how our Christmas might help others. We might ask that Christmas will be happy for others because of us - happy in body, with enough food for every family, happy in mind that we know the truth of God's coming into the world, and happy in forgiveness, as that is one of God's biggest gifts*

*Lord, let me believe that your life is good news and share this good news in word and deed with all whom I meet*

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**12 December —18 December Mass Intentions**

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Mon Adoration 7.00pm-8.00pm
Tue		7.00pm Sally & Seamus McGarry (Anniv) Grace Kelly (Anniv) Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am Baby Jodie Lee (Anniv) Adoration 10.00am -12.00pm	
Thurs	9.30am Joseph & Larry Dunican (Anniv)		
Fri	9.30am P.I.		
Sat		6.00pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am Colum Joseph Scullion (Anniv) Rita McAreavey (Anniv) 12.00 p.m Hugh Faloon (Anniv) Seamus O'Neill (Anniv)	10.45am Heloise & Jim Mulholland (Anniv) Gerardine Cummins (Anniv)	

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

**Anniversaries** Aaron Webb (1st), Hugh Brankin (1st), William Brankin, Kathleen & Patrick McBride, Dearbhla Harbinson, Seamus O'Neill, Hugh Henry, Rosemary Stuart (nee Henry), Cissie Brazier, William Peter Patterson, John Joseph Patterson, Celine Taylor (Month's Mind), Sally & Seamus McGarry, Grace Kelly, Baby Jodie Lee, Joseph & Larry Dunican, Colum Scullion, Rita McAreavey, Heloise & Jim Mulholland, Gerardine Cummins, Hugh Faloon, Seamus O'Neill

**Sanctuary Lamp** Special Intention, CMM Family

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

**Donation** We wish to acknowledge with grateful thanks a parishioner's most generous gift of £5,000 to Parish Funds

**Collections 04/12/22**

Weekly Offering: £2,805

Monthly Offering £1,635

**Thank you for your generosity**

**PARISH DRAW 2022/23: Week 32**

Winner: £100 Patricia Cormican (*Glenavy*)

Winner: £50 John McAlister (*Crumlin*)

**Congratulations to our winners**

**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

**Community Carol Service** St Aidan's Church of Ireland, Glenavy @ 7pm on Sunday 18 December 2022. Everyone welcome.

**Parish Christmas Bazaar** Thank you to everyone who attended the Annual Parish Bazaar. Thanks to our organisers, those who donated prizes, money, their time and especially to everyone who attended to make this a very successful parish event. It was a most enjoyable and entertaining afternoon and the amount raised was **£7,952.55**.

**Parish Pastoral Council** There will be a meeting of the Pastoral Council on Wednesday 14 December @ 7pm in St Joseph's Presbytery.

**Prayer for the Disappeared** On 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 the Prayer for the Disappeared was launched by the Wave Trauma Organisation at Stormont and with Archbishop Eamon Martin in Armagh. The Knights of Columbanus, throughout the Northern Dioceses will distribute these prayers to churches before Christmas. This is so that people who pray at their own family graves at this time can pray for those who would long for a grave to visit. Please see the parish Facebook page for more information.

**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.

**The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ**

**Mass times. 24 & 25 December 2022**

**Mater Dei** Christmas Eve Vigil 6.00pm & 8.00pm  
Christmas Day 10.45am

**St Joseph's** Christmas Eve Vigil 6.00pm & 9.00pm  
Christmas Day 9.30am

**St James** Christmas Day 7.45am

Liturgies in St Joseph's and Mater Dei will be live streamed on our church webcams. [www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy](http://www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy) or [www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin](http://www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin)

**Advent Penitential Service**

**St Patrick's Church,** Lisburn on Sunday 11 December 2022 @ 3pm

**Mater Dei Church,** Crumlin on Wednesday 21 December 2022 @ 7pm

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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

**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