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St Clare's Hall, What's on?– Monday Table Tennis 6.30 – 8.30pm, In-door Bowls 8 – 10pm, **Tuesday** Pickleball 10am – 12pm & 8pm – 10pm, Irish Dancing (Brazier School) 4.45 – 7.45pm, Book Club (2nd Tues each mth) 7.30 – 9.30pm, **Wednesday** Friendship group (55+) 10.30 – 1pm, Yoga 6 – 7pm & 7 – 8pm, **SPRED** 7pm–8.30pm (07774843929 for more information) DR Jive 8 – 10pm, **Thursday** Pilates 10am, 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 **Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funerals.. Friday 14th April 2023 - St Clare's Big Quiz Night** - 8pm Cost - £5 per person. Disco after quiz with DJ Davy. Get your quiz team together, dancing shoes on and BYOB! All welcome. A raffle will be held to raise money for the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust. If you would like to donate a raffle prize, please contact Margaret on 07517 779334. **St Clare's Bowling Club** We are looking for new members, young or old. Practice on Monday at 8pm. Come along and have fun. **Glenavy GAC Festival 2023** takes place 28th – 30th April in St Clare's Hall. For more information, please see the GAC social media pages.

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.

Lough Derg 2023 The Living Church Office are organising a 3-day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg led by Jim Deeds. Dates Friday 30 June – Sunday 2 July 2023. Cost £90 includes coach transfers. Bus departs 9am from Glengall Street. Places are limited so early booking is recommended. Contact Claire Tel: 02890 690920 Email: livingchurch@downandconnor.org

In life, many hear God's call to priesthood. Is your heart open to the Lord? Have you ever considered taking the risk to follow in the footsteps of Jesus? If so, you are invited to the national seminary of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, on 25 April, to attend a special conference on evangelisation and vocations in Ireland today. Archbishop Rino Fisichella, Pro Prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for Evangelisation, will be the keynote speaker. Please register directly on www.vocations.ie, or contact the National Vocations director Father Willie Purcell at wil-purcell@iecon.ie or Rev Eric Cooney secretary of the National Vocations Office at eric.cooney@iecon.ie

PARISH BINGO

in St Clare's Community Hall
Every Thursday at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.
Jackpot £1,000 in 53 Numbers
All social distancing measures in place.
Please remember to wear your masks



EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION 9 APRIL 2023

Very Rev Canon Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY 94459560 (If unavailable and in an emergency only, contact Fr Declan Mulligan P.P. Aghagallon 92651214)
Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy: Monday- Friday 10am - 3pm Secretary: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278
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Parish Website: glenavyandkillleadparish.com
www.facebook.com/glenavyandkillleadparish
A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community



Canon Colm wishes all parishioners a Happy and Holy Easter.

Alleluia - for singing, not for humming!

The reason for the joy of Easter is that Christ is risen - the women who came to the tomb found their joy in this. They may have found joy also in a beautiful dawn in the garden, or in their friendships, but the joy of Easter is a joy of faith, which nothing need take away.

The joy of the resurrection is a joy in giving the life we have received from God: 'Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others' (Pope Francis). The Alleluia is for singing, not for humming; it is to be heard from the voice of the heart and should lift the hearts of those who hear:

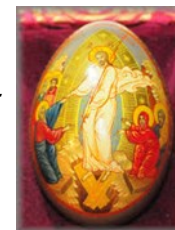
'Jesus Christ is risen. ***He is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

We often see great joy in the middle of huge poverty: often the poor can live for the present moment and enjoy it to the full. Sometimes in the middle of illness we find a peace we don't know from where it comes. The grace of the risen Jesus can touch our lives at any time. Let's not be like Christians 'whose lives seem like Lent without Easter' (Pope Francis). Having lived through the joyful season of Lent, our hearts are wholly lifted now in joy received and joy given.

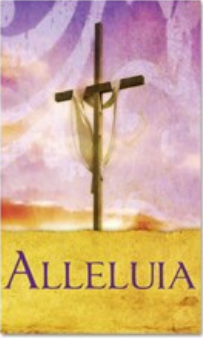
Breathe in and out: on the inbreath echo the word 'joy' on the outbreath echo the word 'thanks'. Risen Christ, raise our lives in joy.

***Alleluia,
May all the joys of Easter be yours!
Praise the Lord, pass round the Eggs***

Christ has risen, Alleluia !



10 April – 16 April Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	No Service		Mon Adoration 7.00pm-8.00pm
Tue		No Mass	
Wed		No Mass	
Thurs	No Mass		
Fri	No Mass		
Sat		6.00pm Seamus Maguire (Anni) James & Kathleen Brankin (Anniv)	Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm
Sun	9.30am Kevin Nelson, Meta Nelson & Frank Loughan (Anniv) 12.00pm Gerald Nelson (Anniv) Kathleen Mulholland (2nd Anniv)	10.45am P.P.	Feumore Mass Centre Mon Adoration 11.00am—12.00pm

Month's Mind Eleanor Henry

Anniversaries Fr John Sloan, Anne McGurnaghan, Kathleen Mulholland, Frank Marsden, Robert Trowlen, Charles & Joseph Bradley, Martin O'Rourke, Vincent McGarry, Neil & Eileen Cormican, Ellen Nelson (50th), Bernard McCann, Mona Hutchison, Thomas McKeever, Daniel Vincent McKavanagh, James & Kathleen Brankin, Raymond Mooney, Florence McAteer, Andrew Mulholland, Dave McCorry, Sean Croskery

Collections 26/03/23

Weekly Offering: £2, 860

Monthly Offering £1,750

Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW 2022/23: Week 49

Winner £100 Daniel Glendinning (*Glenavy*)

Winner £50 Gary O'Neill (*Crumlin*)

Congratulations to our Winners

Thank you for your continuing support

Vacancy - Sacristan based at the Mater Dei Church. Permanent, 16 hours each week, Monday - Sunday, work pattern to be agreed. Ability to work flexible hours from time to time is required, £10.42 gross per hour. For full details <http://www.downandconnor.org> click on the tab: JOB VACANCIES & Community NI website. Application packs can also be obtained from Glenavy & Killead Parish Office.

The Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work would like to thank all those who contributed so generously to our Easter collections on 25 & 26 March. The amount raised for the Missions was £3,530.

Parish Envelopes for the weekly collections are available at the back of the churches.

Divine Mercy Sunday Would you like your souls as pure as the day that you were baptised? If the answer is yes, read on! St John Paul II canonised a Polish nun, Sr Faustina (1905 – 1938) on the Sunday after Easter in 2000 and said that from then on the Sunday after Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. In revelation Jesus told Sr Faustina (Diary 1109) 'I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday. The conditions for receiving this great grace, including going to Confessions, can be fulfilled on Divine Mercy Sunday (16 April this year) at any of the following churches; St Peter's Cathedral, Albert St, Belfast, @ 2.30pm. Sacred Heart Church, Old Park Rd, Belfast @ 2.15pm. St Paul's, Falls Rd, Belfast @ 1.30pm.

Parish Easter Whist in St. Clare's Community Hall will be on **Sunday 16 April at 7pm.** Scorecards are £6 (including refreshments) and there will be a ballot. Everyone welcome.

Trocaire Lenten campaign 2023 Please return your Trocaire box to the churches.

Mater Dei Folk Group - We Need You. We have been singing for over 40 years and are desperate for new members, singers, musicians, everyone welcome. So, if you are over nine and under 90, and you would like to improve your wellbeing and enrich your Sunday morning, join us now! Call over for a chat after mass.

RECOMMITMENT AT CLONARD Sunday 16 April 3pm -4pm in Clonard Monastery.

Join us as we acknowledge those who helped create a moment of hope 25 years ago, and take this opportunity to rededicate ourselves today to a just and lasting peace. The Recommitment at Clonard is the centrepiece of a series of events (from Friday 14 - Sunday 16 April) Corrymeela are hosting to mark the anniversary of the Belfast/ Good Friday Agreement. For further information and to book your free tickets visit corrymeela.org.

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 23 April.

Full details and poster for download at <https://eucharisticadoration.ie/programme-for-knock-pilgrimage-2023/>. **Transport:** to find out if buses are going from your area, visit <https://eucharisticadoration.ie/buses-for-knock-in-june/>. Or why not organise your own bus?

Holy Land Pilgrimage The Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB will lead a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for alumni and friends. Departing 9 February 2024, 8 nights, half-board in 4-star hotels in Jerusalem and Nazareth. Spiritual Director will be Fr Dominic McGrattan, with music and song provided by Marcella Walsh. Visits to the principal sacred sites, also the Holy Family Maternity Hospital in Bethlehem and the Latin Patriarchate in Jerusalem. For more information email Chaplaincy Director, Shannon Campbell, at catholic-chaplaincy@qub.ac.uk

The Parish Office will be Closed on Easter Monday & Tuesday—10th & 11 April 2023.

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

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.

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.

Parish Bethany Support Group: A member of the Bethany group may be contacted on Tel 07746032796 or 0796770459

Sanctuary lamp intentions: A Sanctuary Lamp burns for a week in each of our two churches. If you would like to dedicate a lamp for a loved one or a special intention please contact the Parish Office. There is a suggested offering of £5.

Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (April 29; May 27 and June 24) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Phil: 02890 207645 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfast-be@yahoo.com