

**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, **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 funeral** Contact 07517779334 or [stdareshallbooking@hotmail.com](mailto:stdareshallbooking@hotmail.com) **St Clare's Bowling Club** We are looking for new members, young or old. Practice on Monday at 8pm. Come along and have fun.

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

**St Joseph's GAC:** Lotto Results Thursday 11 May 2023. Winning Numbers; 1-4-16-22. Jackpot £1,450 No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winners; Tres Clenaghan, Martin Clenaghan Lucky Dips Agnes McCorry, Una Dearnaley, Mark Burnett Next week's Jackpot £1,500. Thank you for your support.

**Rosary at Our Lady's Grotto in St Joseph's Graveyard** at 7pm every evening throughout the month of May in Honour of Our Lady. Everyone welcome.

**St Joseph's St Vincent De Paul Glenavy Senior Citizens Summer Bus Trip** 24 June (Sat) to Ballycastle with High Tea. Leaving St Clare's Hall carpark @9am. To reserve seats please ring 07764 797963. Limited numbers book by Sunday 10 June 2023

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

**St Gerard's Church Annual Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** takes place from Monday 15 May—Tuesday 23 May 2023 at 9.30am and 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. **A bus will run from St Patrick's church Aghagallon on 19 May** to St Gerard's Church at 8am for 9.30am Mass, tea/coffee in Belfast Castle afterwards. Contact Catherine/ Michelle on 028 9265 1214. Suggested donation £10.

**All Ireland Rosary Rally in Knock** Saturday 3rd June (from 1pm) **Rosary talk by:** Bishop Oliver Doeme from Nigeria at 1.00pm in the Basilica. **Bus leaving from Belfast:** to book seats please call 07592280522.

**Assumpta est Maria.** Premiere of Organ Variations on the Plain Chant Antiphon by Professor Desmond Hunter. Thursday 25th May 2023, 7.30pm. In Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Newcastle, County Down. Programme will include pieces by Bach, Byrd and a choral Ave Maria by Abt.

**Apostolic Work Down and Connor Centenary Celebration 1923 2023** The Council and Members invite you to join them in celebrating this occasion. Most Rev Donal McKeown D.D. will celebrate Mass on Saturday 17 June @ 12Noon in St Malachy's Church, 24 Alfred St, Belfast. Email; [Apostolic.work@btinternet.com](mailto:Apostolic.work@btinternet.com)

## 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**



**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**14 May 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**  
 Email: [glenavy@downandconnor.org](mailto:glenavy@downandconnor.org)  
 Parish Website: [glenavyandkilleadparish.com](http://glenavyandkilleadparish.com)  
[www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish](http://www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish)  
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## PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

As a Church we are called to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and share his love in the world. But we realise that our current way of doing things is getting more difficult to sustain. With smaller congregations and fewer priests, we have to find new ways to ensure that the mission of the Church can be carried out in the future.



For this reason, our Diocese of Down and Connor is undertaking a major programme of change called Pathways to the Future. It will look at the priorities and structures of the Church to see how we can best serve our 86 parishes and other ministries over the next twenty years.

A steering team of lay people and clergy has been preparing for this work in recent months and representatives of every parish have taken part in initial conversations. In the coming months we all have a chance to find out more and play our part. One important task is to collect accurate information and for that reason a census of Mass attendance across the diocese will be taken up next week.

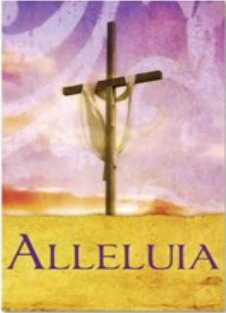
This is a time of rebuilding and renewal for our diocese, and we set off on the pathway confident that the Holy Spirit, sent to us by the Father, will guide us on our journey together. Please keep this project in your prayers!

## Pathways To the Future, Your Presence Matters!

Knowing who comes along to our Churches will help us to plan for the future. Please take a short moment to fill in the tally count with our volunteers at Masses next weekend, Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 May 2023.

Thank you for your support.



15 May — 21 May Mass Intentions				
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James	
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Mon Adoration 7.00pm-8.00pm	
Tue		7.00pm In Honour of the Holy Souls Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm	Wed Rosary at the Grotto @7pm throughout May	
Wed		9.30am Mary McKenna—(Formerly of this parish died in Perth, Australia. Interment of Ashes in St James after Mass)		
Thurs	9.30am Mairead Bartley (Anniv) Adoration 7pm—9.00pm			Feumore Mass Centre
Fri	9.30am P.I.			Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm
Sat		6.00pm Patricia Morgan Anniv) 5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation		Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00pm Brenda McCloy (1st Anniv)	10.45am Mary McKillop (Anniv) Thomas McKeever (Anniv)	Mon Adoration 11.00am—12.00pm	

**Recently Deceased** Mary McKenna (*Perth, Australia, died 01/10/22.*) Fr Kevin McMullan (*Holy Family. Teconnaught*),

**Months Mind** May Nelson

**Anniversaries** John & Bridie Kerr, Michael & Dolores Armstrong, Elizabeth Jane Skelton, James Skelton, Kevin Agnew, Mairead Bartley, Patricia Morgan, Brenda McCloy (1st), Mary McKillop, Thomas McKeever, Joe Falloon, Gerry McCaffrey, Mary McCaffrey, John Murray, Magdalen & John Henry, John Devereux, Peter McGarry, Noel McGarry, Pat O'Rourke, Paddy McGarry, Kathleen Lavery

**Sanctuary Lamp** Special Intention, Special Intention

### Collections 7/05/23

Weekly Offering: £3,026      Monthly Offering £2,106

**Thank you for your generosity**

### Vacancy - Sacristan based at the Mater Dei Church. (Job Share)

Permanent appointment of two individuals which will require 8 hours of attendance each week, Monday - Sunday, work pattern to be agreed with Canon McBride. The post holders will be required to provide cover for the job share partner during annual leave or other absences. Rate of pay is £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.

**Parish Draw 2023– 24** As parishioners will be aware the new parish draw for 2023/24 is about to begin. Unfortunately, there has been a significant drop in the membership. The purpose of the draw is to raise funds to help meet parish expenses. The parish is not immune to the increase costs of living which everyone and every organisation is experiencing. We would appeal to all to consider entering the draw. Application forms are available in the Church of through the parish office.

**Sacrament of First Holy Communion** Please keep the girls and boys of St Joseph's Primary School in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on 20 May 2023 in Mater Dei. **Congratulations** to the girls and boys of Ballymacrocket and Gaelscoil Ghleann Darach Primary Schools who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion on 13 May 2023.

**MEDITATING WITH MARY IN THE MONTH OF MAY** 17th, 18th, 24th and 31st May 2023 Come and spend some time with us reflecting and praying with three key events in the life of Mary: The Annunciation, Visitation and the Magnificat. This is an opportunity for parishioners to share, reflect and pray together. 17 May 2023 in Mater Dei Parochial House after 9.30am Mass, 18 May 8-9pm online via Zoom, 24 May 2023 in Mater Dei Parochial House after 9.30am Mass and 8-9pm online via Zoom, 31 May 2023 in Mater Dei Parochial House after 9.30am Mass and 8-9pm online via Zoom. Each participant will receive a booklet which will include an image by an artist, a copy of the scripture passage taken from Luke's gospel, points for discussion and a closing reflection and prayer. It will also be a useful resource for personal prayer. If you are interested, please leave your name and email address at the parish office. Email [glenavy@downandconnor.org](mailto:glenavy@downandconnor.org)

**Annual Blessing of the Graves. St Joseph's**, Sunday 25/06/23 @ 3.00pm, **St James** Sunday 2/07/23 @ 3.00pm, **Crumlin Cemetery** Sunday 2/07/23 @ 4.15pm **Please bring a small container for holy water to bless your grave.**

**Cemetery Sunday** will be held on the following dates, **City Cemetery** - Sunday 14 May at 3.00pm, **Hannahstown Cemetery** - Sunday 28 May at 3.00pm, **Tullyrusk Cemetery** - Sunday 4 June at 1.30pm, **St Peter's the Rock Cemetery** - Sunday 4 June at 3.00pm

**Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre:** You are invited to a series of conversations in Tobar Mhuire in which people share their experience of life, faith and finding hope in their lives. Monday 15 May @ 7pm. All welcome. Voluntary donation.

**Our Big Community Spring Clean** We need your help to make this happen. Help us with our spring clean – up at Ballymacrocket Primary School and surrounding area. Come along on Saturday 20 May between 9am and 1pm. Bring your wellies and tools. Refreshments provided. Please register at <https://forms.office.com/e/XQPjyPp5sb>

**Mater Dei Folk Group - We Need You.** if you are over nine and under 90, join us now! Call over for a chat after mass.

**The Parish Office will be closed** from Monday 15 to Friday 19 May 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](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.

**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.

**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.

**Special Belfast Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023** EX Dublin Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day Contact James Treacy 0035361921470 [jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com](mailto:jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com) The cost is €2125 which can be paid in instalments.

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**Down & Connor Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 11/12 – 17 July 2023. 6 nights in hotel from £829, 5 nights in hotel from £769, 5 nights in Accueil Notre-Dame for pilgrims requiring nursing and/or personal care £719. For more information or to request a booking form, contact the Pilgrimage Office (028) 9077 0162, email [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org) visit: [www.downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/lourdes)

**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.

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