

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 (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 funeral** Contact 07517779334 or 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 4 May 2023. Winning Numbers; 3-5-21-28. Jackpot £1,400 No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winners; Ailish Cormican, Francis Hardy Lucky Dips Colm Cormican, Anne Halligan, Sinead McKeag Next week's Jackpot £1,450. Thank you for your support.

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.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally at the Grotto of Our Lady of Mercy, St Oliver Plunkett Church, Saturday 13 May 2023 from 4pm – 5pm, everyone welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 17-18 June 2023. Staying in the Knock House Hotel. £180 contact Sally Elliott on 028 90 247587.

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.

ACCORD NI is seeking applications for the Certificate in Counselling (Couple and Relationship) 1 year (part-time) programme. Closing date 19th May 2023, for more information, info@accord.ie

World Youth Day Pilgrimage the Dioceses of Derry and Clogher have a small number of places left on their World Youth Day Pilgrimage in August. Further information can be obtained directly from Lizzie Rea in the Derry Diocese. Tel: 004428 71264087

Society African Missions Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday 27 May 23, everyone welcome. Contact SMA Dromantine Tel: 028 30 821 224

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
7 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
Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

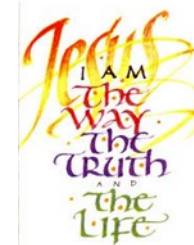
The Centre holds

The gospel presents Jesus as the guide in life, the 'way, truth and life'. The Christian centre is the person of Christ. Our work for Jesus and our love for people, no matter what our calling in life, flow from this. Mother Teresa was once asked why she did what she did, and she simply said 'for Jesus'. This centre always holds, it cannot be unhinged. It is a deeply personal relationship: we are led by Jesus 'one by one', known by name, not as one of a group. We follow him as one we know, not a stranger.

We study his life and times, getting to know the places and events of his life, we become familiar with the gospels and get to know him in the heart. Prayer is the way of keeping our centre of conviction and motivation strong. Freedom grows and we begin to find him everywhere.

Different types of people and spirituality stress different aspects of Jesus. The Eastern approach to Jesus is very much the 'way'; while the African is the 'life'. The European stress is the 'truth'. In Europe we need to re-discover also the joy and vibrancy of the African and Latin American expressions of faith, and also the presence of God in all life's moods and journeys of the Indian and Eastern traditions. We can get so caught up in small or even big truths and doctrines that we miss other centres of faith. All faith needs the balanced approach to Jesus - way, truth and life.

Recall people who guided you well in your life. Pray for them.



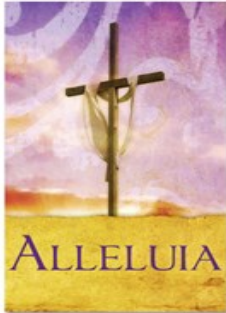
Jesus, our way guide me in life;

Jesus, our truth teach me your meaning of life;

Jesus, our life –love me always.

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The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 8 May 2023

| 8 May — 14 May Mass Intentions | | | |
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| | St Joseph's | Mater Dei | St James |
| Mon | 9.30am Communion Service | | Mon Adoration 7.00pm-8.00pm Wed Rosary at the Grotto @7pm throughout May |
| Tue | | 7.00pm Harry Brazier (Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm |  |
| Wed | | 9.30am P.I. | |
| Thurs | 9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9.00pm | | |
| Fri | 9.30am P.I. | | |
| Sat | | 6.00pm John & Bridie Kerr (Anniv) In Honour of Our Lady of Fatima & Barry & Maria Donaghy (Special Intention) 5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation | |
| Sun | 9.30am P.P. 12.00pm May Nelson (Month's Mind) | 10.45am Michael Dolores Armstrong (Anniv) Elizabeth Jane Skelton & James Skelton (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 |

Recently Deceased Anne Hickland

Month's Mind Martin Dougan & May Nelson

Anniversaries Kathleen Mooney, Theresa Brankin, Helen Moore, James Keenan, Tess Burke, Bess McCleave, Seamus Jordan, Jim Leathem, Brendan & Margaret Phillips, Harry Brazier, Paddy & Betty Kerr

Baptism's We welcome to God's family Odhrán Anthony O'Doherty, Grace Maria Close, Micah James Patrick McLoughlin & Killian Connor Thomas McLoughlin,

Sanctuary Lamp Harry Brazier, Brankin & O'Neill Families

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.

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.

Collections 30/04/23

Weekly Offering: £2,645

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.

New Parish Draw 2023/24 There is still time to join the new Parish Draw for 2023/24 which will begin in May, just £10 per month. Renewal forms have been distributed to existing members and we hope you will continue to support the Draw. New members are encouraged to join. If you haven't been a member before, please pick up a form from the back of the Churches or the Parish Office. For further information about joining and the options on how to pay, please contact the Parish Office on 02894 422278

Finance Committee A meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on **Wednesday 10 May 2023 at 7pm** in the Parochial House

Sacrament of First Holy Communion Please keep the girls and boys of Ballymacricket and Gaelscoil Ghleann Darach in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday 13 May 2023 in St Joseph's and Mater Dei.

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, **Milltown Cemetery** - Sunday 7 May at 3.00pm, **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

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

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 visit: www.downandconnor.org/lourdes

St Ignatius of Loyola - a Saint for troubled times Belfast Jesuit Centre Saturday 20 May 2pm - 4pm, Led by José Maria Rodriguez SJ. Non-Residential *Retreat* led by Tom Cashman, **Ignatian Spiritual Guide** on 26, 7-9pm, 27, 9:30 - 5pm and 28 May 9:30am concluding with Pentecost Mass at noon. To register ring 0770 631 6319 or email belfastjesuitcentre@gmail.com

Mary's Meals - Pray in May During May, the month dedicated to Our Lady, Mary's Meals invites you to pray for its life-changing work, carried out in her name. Could you commit to praying each day of May for all who support this work and those children still waiting? Further information and prayer resources www.marymeals.org.uk/prayinmay

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary 13 May @4pm, St Joseph's grotto, Glenavy, in reparation for sins and blasphemies committed against her Immaculate Heart and for the conversion of Ireland back to the Catholic faith as part of the nationwide Ireland Needs Fatima Campaign. Contact Luke 07368200802 for more information. All welcome.

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.

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 The cost is €2125 which can be paid in instalments.

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 JPPII, please contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292