

St Clare's Hall, What's on?– Monday Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am **Tuesday**, BRAZIER SCHOOL OF DANCE 4.45PM – 7.45PM, BOOK CLUB (2nd Tues each mth) 7.30 – 9.30pm, Pickle Ball 8pm – 10pm **Wednesday** SPRED, Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, 7pm–8.30pm (07774843929 for more information), DR Jive 8 – 10pm, **Thursday** Bingo 8 – 9.30pm, **Friday** Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Coffee Morning 10 – 11am .Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral Contact 07517779334 or stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com

This month's Whist is on Friday 25th August and is a charity Whist being held in aid of the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust. The venue is the 'Gate Inn' and starts at 6.30pm with a buffet. There will also be a ballot on the night and all money raised will go to the Trust. To book a place contact Aidan on 07712 662800. Cost for the night is £10.

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 17 August 2023. Winning Numbers; 10-13-14-28. Jackpot £2,150 No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winner; Liz Tumelty 3 Lucky Dips Bridie Tumelty, Sean Frazer, Helen Bushe. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £2,200. The members of St Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Carer's Required for an elderly couple in their own home in the Glenavy area, will also involve some cleaning duties. Telephone 07860 520222.

Loughshore Reflexology Are you stressed or feeling anxious? Why not treat yourself to a reflexology treatment on the feet. Reflexology is a non-evasive therapy which treats the physical and emotional parts of the body. Reflexology is for everyone as it treats the cause of stress. If stress is not managed it causes phobias, anxiety, fears, and panic attacks. For an appointment call or text Martine on 07718160687

Coffee Morning in aid of Stanton Healthcare You are invited to meet the team and hear about the amazing work of this ministry. Monday 11 September at 9.45am in St. Joseph's and St. Peter's, 23 Hannahstown Hill, Belfast BT17 0LT. Every cake shared helps Stanton be there for a woman facing unexpected pregnancy, by providing her with a full range of practical, emotional and physical support services, free of cost. Everyone welcome. Tel: 028 9033 2882. Email: office@stantonbelfast.org

EPHATHA CONFERENCE at St MacNissi's Parish Centre, Station Road, Randalstown, BT41 2AQ on Monday 21st August 2023, 4.30pm to 8.00pm. Led by: Fr. Xavier Khan Vattayil. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be served at the end of the conference. All welcome. Tel 07967620435.

Parish Bingo
IN ST CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL
EVERY THURSDAY
AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.
JACKPOT £1,000 IN 50 NUMBERS



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
20 August 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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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Fighting for her child

She was a woman like many. She would fight for her child, so she took on Jesus, the best-known religious figure around. Like someone taking on the minister for health or children over a medical card for a chronically ill child, and not letting them off the hook. Jesus was testing her. He saw faith, but he wanted everyone else to see it. So, he told her she didn't fit into the local religious sphere because she was a foreigner, like an asylum seeker or a refugee. She knew she fitted into the heart of Jesus simply because she was the mother of a sick child and believed he could help.

Even if he would cure everyone, maybe he would come back to her at the end. Jesus went further - he cured her child and praised her faith.

She is another of the unnamed people of the gospel. Like the woman of Samaria, the rich young man, the thief on Calvary - she is herself, and she is all of us. She is everyone, man, and woman, of faith.

Faith in a surprising God who, in Jesus, his Son, never says no to goodness. Faith that keeps us energetic and alive, not tired, in soul as well as body.

*Remember your feeling of gratitude for the children of your family.
Lord, I believe. Strengthen my faith.*

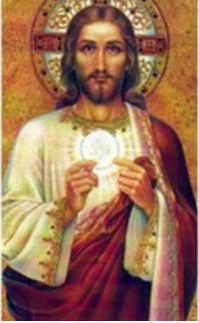
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The Pattern of Your Love Life to many can seem haphazard, a chaotic existence without meaning, like a garden full of aimless growth. Yet you, Lord, give meaning to our lives, and make the sun to shine and the rains to fall on us alike to give us growth, for everything holds together in your love. How hard for those who never find you, those unable to believe that life has an infinite purpose. Lord, may I always see the pattern of your love, even in the chaos, Amen

Columban Missionaries 2011

21 August — 27 August Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		
Tue	7.30pm John Brankin (Months Mind)	7.00pm Sister Margaret Bryans (Anniv) In Honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm—8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am Deceased members of the McGarry family Adoration 10.00am—12.00pm	
Thurs	9.30am Dr Paddy Gallagher (Anniv) Aodh Cormican (Anniv)		
Fri	9.30am P.I.		
Sat		6.00pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am Johanna Gallagher (Anniv) John & Maureen Mulholland (Anniv) 12.00pm P.P.	10.45am Michael McClean (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

Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child. Important Meeting 'Withdraw the Law' on Tuesday 12 September 7.30 – 9pm in the Europa Hotel, Belfast.

This law tramples on the rights of parents, will destroy the innocence of children and cost the lives of an untold number of unborn babies. As part of our efforts to have it overturned, we are holding a very important meeting for everyone who objects to abortion lessons in Northern Ireland schools. The aim of the meeting is to send an unequivocal message to the Government in London. To reserve a place www.spuc.org.uk/withdrawthelaw. We will send you a confirmation email and the line up speakers.

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.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible is an 8-week programme by the Living Church Office. Course participants will receive a resource pack, gather online for a time of teaching, discussion, and prayerful reflection. The program will conclude with a Retreat Day. Venue: Holy Rosary Parish Centre, Ormeau Road, Belfast on Saturday 18 November 10am - 4 pm. Beginning: Monday 18 September for 8 weeks. Online Via Zoom Facilitators: Aishling Steen & Fr Paul Byrne from the Living Church Office. For further information or to book your place please contact livingchurch@downandconnor.org or Tel: 028 90690920

God's Amazing Dream!

Some of the Challenges ahead.

"Twenty years from now we forecast there will only be 24 priests' available for our current 86 parishes. It is clear, therefore, that we must urgently become that vibrant, missionary, and evangelising Church in which all the gifts of all the baptised are engaged. The alternative is to ask our priests to continue to manage workloads and demands that are unreasonable and not sustainable, with the consequent impact on their welfare and wellbeing. The approach to ministry and leadership we have been used to for many years, simply has to change.

As a local Church, we have become accustomed to daily Mass being available in all parishes, a range of Sunday Masses being celebrated in each of the parishes and churches across the Diocese, and the 3,000 funerals and the 800 marriages celebrated in the Diocese each year being priest led and celebrated in the context of the Mass.

As early as this summer, some parishes will be engaged in a pilot project of lay women and men helping families prepare for funerals and leading the prayers at gravesides or the crematorium. Very soon, it is likely that in some parishes, the celebration of a Requiem Mass for every individual as part of the funeral rites may no longer be the norm.'

**Pastoral Letter from Most Rev. Donal McKeown D.D.,
23 May 2023**

Recently Deceased Philip Maguire (*Gobrana Road*)

Months Mind John Brankin

Anniversaries Francis & Eilish O'Brien, Rose & Peter Gilbride, Jerome Cleary, Ambrose McKeever, David Bradley, Sean Doherty, Dr Paddy Gallagher, Sister Margaret Bryans, Aodh Cormican, Kathleen Henry, Maureen O'Rourke, Seamus McGarry, Josephine McCambridge, Dan McCambridge, Jim Brazier (50), Deceased members of the McGarry Family

Weddings Congratulations to Melissa McAlernon and Dermot Moore who were married in Christ

Sanctuary Lamps Special Intention D.L., Special Intention Aidan

Collections 13/08/23

Weekly Offering: £2,549

Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW 2023—24, Week 16

Winner £100 Margaret Brankin (Ballinderry Upper)

Winner £50 Elizabeth McAlister (Ballinderry Upper)

Congratulations to the Winners

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.

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. 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 JP II, please contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292.

CCTV Camera's Please be aware that St Joseph's Church and graveyard and Mater Dei Church and grounds are monitored by CCTV.

Adoration Can you spare 1 hour for your church. Please contact the parish office to leave your name and telephone number.

Lough Derg Pilgrimage Saturday 23 September 2023 The Living Church are organising a pilgrimage to Lough Derg, as this is a 1 Day Retreat, fasting and walking barefooted is not required. Cost £55 includes coach transfers, tea, coffee & scones on arrival, retreat day, light lunch, concluding with celebration of the Eucharist. Bus departs 7am from St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street. Places are limited so early booking is recommended. Contact Claire Tel: 02890 690920 Email: livingchurch@downandconnor.org