

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 stclareshallbook-ing@hotmail.com

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 27 July 2023. Winning Numbers; 6-18-22-23. Jackpot £2,000 No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winners; Cahal McManus 3 Lucky Dips Cathy Nelson, Fergal McClenaghan, Una Brown. Thursday 3 August 2023 Winning Numbers; 2-18-26-27.No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winners; Helen Bushe, Anne Halligan, Mary Devlin 3 Lucky Dips Paddy Magee, P Smith, Denise Clement Next week's Jackpot is worth £2,100. 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

Give Blood Save Life's NIBTS will be in St Clare's Hall on 11 August 12.30pm – 4pm & 5pm – 7pm. To book an appointment call 08085 534 653 or online at www.nibts.org

Vacancy - Pre School-Leader in Charge St Comgall's Pre School-Education Centre *Required 01/09/23 or as soon as possible thereafter.* 25 hours pw, Mon to Fri Term Time plus 1 week. Salary is payable on a 10/12 basis. Rate of Pay as per JNC scales Point 17-21. Job Description and Application form available via email: bangor@downandconnor.org Closing date 12 noon on Friday 11 August 2023. It is anticipated that interviews will take place w/c 21 August 2023.

John Bradburne Memorial Society was founded to help support the people living in Mute-mwa Leprosy Care Centre in Zimbabwe. Gordon Celender from JBMS will be running the Co Antrim Half Marathon to raise money for the residents living in Mute-mwa. Money raised will go directly to supporting the patients and families. To donate on line <http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/jbmsrace> or call 07979 187498 or cheques payable to JBMS at PO Box Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0YB.

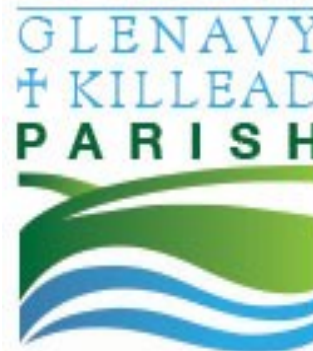
Parish Bingo

IN ST CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL

EVERY THURSDAY

AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.

JACKPOT £1,000 IN 53 NUMBERS



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD 6 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

The Transfiguration of The Lord

For Jesus the Transfiguration was the turning point in his life. Until now all was onward and upward. He was captivating the people with his preaching and miracles. Now he must descend to the valley, to the road to Gethsemane and Calvary. The Transfiguration gave Jesus a fore-taste of his glory, and in the strength of that joy he could endure the cross and despise the shame. But most of all the Transfiguration gave Jesus another affirmation of his Father's love. At His baptism in the Jordan his Father had affirmed him, "This is my beloved Son on whom my favor rests." Now he says, "This is my beloved son, listen to him."



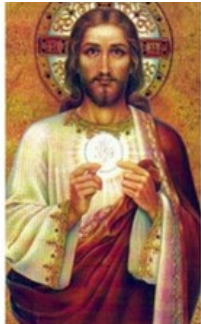
For the apostles it was an awe-inspiring experience. They had never seen their master like this before. Peter, filled with consolation says, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. Let us erect three booths here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But it is not to be. This is only a preparation for things to come. With Jesus they must descend the mountain to the valley below and on to the garden of Gethsemane and Calvary. On Mount Tabor they didn't want to leave. In the Garden of Gethsemane they didn't want to stay. When Jesus was arrested they all fled.

We can all identify with the apostles because in our mountain-top experiences of joy and consolation we also want to stay. We want them to go on forever. And then in the moments of trial we want to flee. We forget that our Lord did not promise us a rose garden, but a garden of olives and a crown of thorns. "If anyone will come after me let him pick up his cross daily and follow me."

The Transfiguration was the mountain-top experience of the apostles which prepared them for their future trials. The Mass is our mountain-top experience which prepares us for the trials of our day. The Mass is not a transfiguration but a transubstantiation, in which bread and wine are transformed into the glorious Risen Jesus. And in the joy and consolation of Communion we say with Peter, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." And we do not want to leave. But it is not to be. Soon we will hear the words, "The Mass is ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." So we pick up our cross and leave to face the trials of the day. But having been to the top of the mountain we know that "nothing can separate us from the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord."

CatholicIreland.net
Fr Rodney Kissinger, S.J

7 August — 13 August Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		
Tue		NO MASS Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 6.45pm Adoration 7pm—8pm	
Wed		9.30am Communion Service	
Thurs	NO MASS		
Fri	9.30am Communion Service		
Sat		6.00pm Cecilia Walsh (Months Mind)	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00pm Anne Cecilia Maguire (Anniv) Joan Connor (Anniv) William Cardwell (Anniv)	10.45am Louise Maguire (Months Mind)	

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

Months Mind Gerard McClinton

Anniversaries Willie McLornan, Lily McLornan, Michael Doherty (3rd), Jim Hughes, Dorothea Doone, Gertie Hickland, David Lenaghan, Ignatius Moore, William Henry, Eamon Moore (2nd), Patrick McGarrell, Monsignor John Murphy, Sister Margaret Bryans, Charles O'Hara, Daniel Kelly, Mary Kelly, James Kelly, Noreen Hailstone, Thomas Nelson (35th)

Baptisms We welcome into God's family Ollie Dolway Sharvin, Una May Anderson and Oisín Gerard O'Reilly.

Sanctuary Lamps Sister Margaret Bryans, Special Intention

Collections 30/07/23

Weekly Offering: £3,125

Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW 2023—24, Week 14

Winner £100 George Grant (*Glenavy*)

Winner £50 Dorothy Donnelly (*Glenavy*)

Congratulations to the Winners

TREASURE HUNT on Sunday 6 August 2023. Come and join in the fun at this year's Treasure Hunt; starting point is St Clare's Hall between 5.00pm and 6.00pm. Light refreshments will be provided afterwards. £10 per car and everyone welcome.

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 15 August 2023 There will be a procession to the Grotto after 9.30am Mass in St Joseph's, during which the Rosary will be recited. Children who made their First Holy Communion this year would be very welcome to come in their First Holy Communion or other attire. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

The Glenavy Branch of the Apostolic Work are organising a one-day Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 13 August 2023. The bus will leave St Joseph's Church, Glenavy at 8am and will return there in the evening. Price £35 per person. If you would like more information or to book a seat, please contact 02894 422852 or 077 6479 7963.

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

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.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible. The Bible is at the heart of our faith and our relationship with God. Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but many people find it hard to even begin. Why not begin with the Living Church office to learn how to read the bible, understand it and so experience its life changing power. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible is an 8-week programme. Course participants will receive a resource pack and 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 10:00am - 4:00 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 ivingchurch@downandconnor.org or Tel: 028 90690920

God's Amazing Dream!

The Pathways to the Future Initiative

'Living in a time of major change, guided by the Holy Spirit who continues to rebuild and renew the Church, the Pathways initiative encourages all of us to play our part in building a more loving, welcoming, and inclusive community of faith.

In undertaking this journey, it is clear that we urgently need to move from a Church where ministry and leadership was exercised primarily by priests and religious to one where all the baptised take up the call to minister and lead. The history of our island also reminds us that it is precisely when we have vibrant communities of lay leadership in faith, missionary and evangelising, that vocations to the priesthood and religious life are nourished and sustained'.

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

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.

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.

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