

St Clare's Hall, What's on?– Monday Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Table Tennis 6pm – 8pm, Pilates 7pm – 8pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm **Tuesday**, Brazier School of Dance 4.45PM – 7.45PM, Pickle Ball 8pm – 10pm **Wednesday** Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Friendship Group 10.30am – 12.30pm, Yoga 5.45pm – 8pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm (Matches) **Thursday** Pilates 10am – 11am, Judo 6pm – 7pm, Bingo 8pm – 9.30pm **Friday** Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Mums & Tots 9.30am – 11.30am, Coffee Morning 10 – 11.30am **Monthly Events** Book club 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm – 9.30pm, Traditional night 1st Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Friday 7pm – 9pm. Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's Contact 07517779334 or stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 25 January 2024. Winning Numbers; 3-20-23-24. Jackpot £3,000, 2nd Jackpot £750 No Jackpot winners. 3 Number Winner Oonagh Phillips. 3 Lucky Dips Katherine McCorry, Justin O'Neill, Paul O'Brien. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £3,000. Second Jackpot £800 The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

St Brigid's Day Lecture Thursday 1 February at 7.30pm St Bride's Parish Centre (38 Derryvolgie Avenue). **Guest Speaker** Fr Gerry O'Hanlon S.J. " *Why Synodality? Progress and Challenges on The Synodal Pathway of the Catholic Church*". Everyone is Welcome!

Really free in Christ? Reading St Paul's *Letter to the Romans* together today. With insights from Augustinian priest Kieran O'Mahony, Scripture scholar and Ecumenical Canon of Christ Church 2012-2017. **Scripture Tuesdays in Lent starting on 13 February (Shrove Tuesday)** 6pm (optional Dinner), 7-9pm Lecture and discussion. Continues on 20, 27, February & March 5, 12, 19. Book your place on Eventbrite (Find the link on our Belfast Jesuit Centre Facebook page or website www.belfastjesuitcentre.org)

The 4 Corners Festival is back in Belfast, February 1-11, 2024, celebrating "OUR STORIES...Towards A Culture Of Hope". This year's programme features art, music, discussions and more. Free, but booking is required. Some events will also be streamed online. **More info and tickets at 4cornersfestival.com.**

Catholic Engaged Encounter online 16 & 17 March 24. Delivered online by Marriage Encounter (England & Wales) www.me.org.uk.

Accord (NI) Let us help you support your Marriage & Relationship If you feel your marriage or relationship is in crisis or need a little guidance and feel that you both could benefit from Marriage & Relationship Counselling, either face to face or online, contact your local Centre. Every year we help thousands of couples rebuild and sustain healthy relationships. Call us on 02890 233002 for all N. Ireland center's: N. Ireland Regional Office, Armagh, Ballymena, Belfast, Derry, Enniskillen, Maghera, Newry & Omagh info@accordni.com or www.accordni.com

Parish Bingo
IN ST CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL
EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.
JACKPOT £1,000 IN 51 NUMBERS



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
28 January 2024

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: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish
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The Power of Evil

Jesus was very aware of the power of evil that can be around us. Jesus named the spirit whatever that meant. This gave him power over the spirit. He knew evil when he met it and he overcame it, with love, power and with kindness for this man.

In Jesus the good and the evil of the world met.

One big evil in us is the '*it's mine*'. We learn it from childhood. We take the plate of cakes or a packet of sweets and say, "*all mine*". We normally get over this but not always. We need the conversion from *it's mine* to *it's ours*. That's the Christian way. The environment is not ours, but for us. We have no right to kill off livelihood all over the world for our paper, our oil, and our greed. Any abuse of people is the 'you are mine' syndrome. Nobody owns anyone in this earth, and we belong only to God in a free way.

Evil will never win out to the end. It has been conquered on the Cross, with love.

Somehow this man was possessed. Evil came into him and maybe it was not his fault. He left clean and whole, with a kindness in his heart he would never forget. The people were amazed not just at Jesus but at the change in the man who had been possessed.

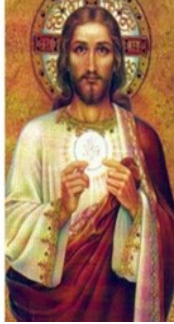
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Ash Wednesday The ashes used for Ash Wednesday are made from the burned and blessed Palms of the previous year's Palm Sunday. Please return your Palms to the back of the churches as soon as possible so that they can be used this year on Ash Wednesday, 14 February.

Parish office will be closed on Tuesday 30 & Wednesday 31 January 2024.

30 January — 4 February Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		St James Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm 
Tue		7.00pm Mary Ellen McCaughley (Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm—8.30pm	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
Wed		9.30am P.I. Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am Maureen Jordan (Anniv) 6.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Sat		6.00pm Jennifer Magee (1st Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00pm John & Paul Magee (Anniv)	10.45am John McCann (Months Mind)	

Recently Deceased Isabel Edwards (*Formerly Largy Cottages*)

Months Mind John McCann

First Anniversaries Jennifer Magee

Anniversaries, Eileen O'Dornan, Daniel Gillen, Eileen Gillen, Phillip Gillen, Donald Cormican, Samuel Nelson, Patrick McAlister, Mary Ellen McCaughley, James & Mary Heatley, Dermot Falloon, Sheila Lavery, Tony Flynn, Sarah McGarrell, Paul Magee, Mary Murray, Winifred McGarry, Maureen Morgan

Sanctuary Lamps The Nelson Family, S.K.

Baptisms We welcome to God's family Bobby Gene Lavery Flannery, Charlene Lawrence, Jack Arlo Dobson, Fódhla Dorotha Donnelly.

Collections 21/01/24

Weekly Offering: £2,770
 Diocesan Youth Collection £994

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2023—24, Week 39

Winner £100 Agnes Flood (Crumlin)
 Winner £50 Eithne Cormican (Ballinderry Upper)

Congratulations to our winners

Altar Servers. At the beginning of a new year, we wish to recruit additional Altar Servers to assist at weekend Masses in the parish. This ministry is open to boys and girls in Primary 5, 6, 7. Boys serve Mass in Mater Dei at 6.00pm on Saturday evenings or 9.30am in St Joseph's on Sunday mornings. Girls serve on Sundays at 10.45am in Mater Dei or 12.00 noon in St Joseph's. If interested, please leave your contact details with Parish Office.

Ministers of The Eucharist New members are needed for this very important Ministry in both our churches, but particularly in St Joseph's. If you are interested in becoming a Minister of The Eucharist, please contact the Parish office as soon as possible by Tel 028 9442 2278 or email glenavy@downandconnor.org

Funeral Lay Ministry We are recruiting for a small number of Parishioners to take the lead in Funeral Lay Ministry. The successful applicants will undergo training. The role will involve, in the future delivering prayers at the home of the deceased and at the graveside or crematorium, as and when required. There have been a few volunteers, but ideally a few more are needed before the training is arranged. If you are interested in this most important Ministry please contact the Parish Office by Tel 028 9442 2278 or email glenavy@downandconnor.org

The Spirit of Education Award: St. Joseph's Primary School

Big congratulations to St Joseph's P.S. and Mrs Loughran, R.E. Coordinator on receiving the Spirit of Catholic Education Award with Distinction, from the Catholic Schools Trustee's for the second time. For more information and photographs please see the Parish Facebook page www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish

Safeguarding Sunday takes place next Sunday, 4 February 2024.

as many participants as possible to attend one or other of these presentations.

St Brigid's Cross Workshop. The Ministers of the Word in Mater Dei would like to invite everyone after 9.30 Mass in Mater Dei on Wednesday 31st January to the adjoining Presbytery for a cup of tea and to make a St Brigid's Cross.

Crumlin Youth for Christ CYFC is a Christian, non-denominational organisation, which seeks to engage with young people in their local community. They wish to help young people in their relationship with Christ and each other. They do this through engaging with youth on the street in the evenings in Crumlin. Inviting them to a drop-in-centre and simply have a chat over games, sport, or general craic. They also run a summer scheme each year and our parish has supported them through providing accommodation and meals for the organisers. CYFC does not seek to recruit for any specific Church but rather to encourage the young people to re-engage with the Church of their Baptism. CYFC would like to recruit local adults to advise and guide them in this valuable work. If you would be willing to help or would like more information, please leave your contact details with the parish office.

Copyright and Music Licensing Presentations covering Copyright and Music Licensing will be held at the following venues from 7.30pm until 9pm at St Brigid's Hall, Belfast 15 February, All Saints' Parish and Community Centre, Ballymena 27 February & Patrick's Place in Downpatrick 5 March in the crypt of the Church of St Patrick. The presentations will be relevant to choir directors, choir members, cantors, psalmists, parish musicians and parish contemporary music groups. Those who are responsible for setting up or maintaining parish websites are especially welcome

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.

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.

Parish Groups—Volunteers Required New members are welcomed/ needed for the following Parish Groups; Gardening Team, Altar Society, St Vincent De Paul (St Joseph's Glenavy and St James, Crumlin Conference), Housekeeping, Adoration, Ministers of the Word, Folk Group, Children's Liturgy and SPRED. Your participation is essential to ensure that these groups can continue within our Parish. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office email at glenavy@downandconnor.org, Tel 028 9442 2278, or contact the Sacristan's.

Family Care Adoption Services is an Adoption Agency, There are currently more children waiting to be adopted in Northern Ireland than families approved to adopt and there is an urgent need for new families to come forward. To find out more about adoption, contact us! Tel 02890 691133, www.familycareadoption.com or email@familycareadoption.org.

Down and Connor Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima 2024 Spiritual Directors Fr G McCloskey, Fr M Graham, Canon S Gilmore 20 Aug 2024. 7 Nights £799 per person sharing (£100 off per person if paid in full by 8th December 2023) direct return flights from Dublin to Lisbon afternoon flights. 20KG bags included. Return airport transfers in Fatima. 7 Nights Hotel Avenida. Full board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day. Guided tour of the Sanctuary & Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary. Optional: Travel Insurance & Single Supplement. For further information please contact: Joe Catney 07776 425 631/02890714001.

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.

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.

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

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.

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