

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 stclarehallbooking@hotmail.com. **Table Quiz** - 7.30pm, Friday 19th April 2024 in St Clare's Hall. BYOB. £5 per person. Everyone welcome! In aid of Ballymacrickett P.S. school funds. Email BallymacrickettFundraising@gmail.com to book your table. **Glendare Community Group AGM** - Monday 15th April 2024 at 8pm in St Clare's Community Hall Glenavy. All welcome. **Lisburn jobs and benefits office** will be providing advice on universal credit information sessions in St Clare's community hall Glenavy on Friday 26 April, 10am – 12pm. Drop in no appointment necessary.

St Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 11 April 2024. Winning Numbers; 3-4-7-24. Jackpot £3,000, 2nd Jackpot £1,300 No Jackpot winners. 3 Number winners Elaine Smith, Mark Cormican 3 Lucky Dips Anne Smith, Carol McStravick, Sinead McKeag. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £3,000. 2nd Jackpot £1,350 The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Visit of Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis 13 May St Nicolas Church, Ardglass, 9.30am – 10pm & 14 May 2024, St Mary's Church, Dunsford, 9.30am – 1pm. Confessions available throughout. Everyone welcome. dunsfordandardglassparish.com

Mary's Meals -Crisis in Ethiopia Mary's Meals provides school meals to over 2.4 million children every day. At this time, We ask you to remember in your prayers families facing extreme food insecurity and hunger in Ethiopia and we invite you to a special online session where our founder Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow will share more about this urgent under-reported crisis **this Tuesday 16th of April at 7pm**, find out more at www.marysmeals.org.uk or email info@marysmeals.org

Reflection Day at SMA Dromantine Saturday 4 May, 9.30am – 5pm Forgiveness; the journey from hurt to healing, freedom, peace & happiness. Led by Fr. Des Corrigan SMA. Cost (incl. lunch) £38 admin@dromantineconference.com or 02830821964

Beginning Experience The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (27 April, 25 May & 29 June 2024) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Pauline 07519289185 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfast-be@yahoo.com

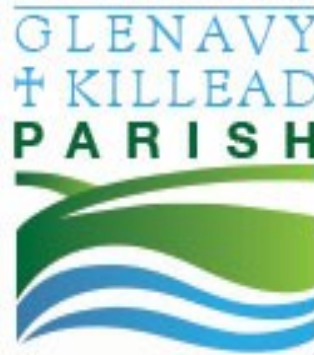
Lough Derg One Day Retreats will take place on 5, 6, 12,14,18, 25 & 27 May. More details can be found at www.loughderg.ie. €45 per person, booking essential. The Lough Derg traditional **3 Day Pilgrimage** begins on Friday 31 May & continues until 15 August.

PARISH BINGO

in St Clare's Community Hall

Every Thursday at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.

Jackpot £1,000 in 52 Numbers



Third Sunday of Easter 14 April 2024

Very Rev Canon Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY Tel: 94 422278 (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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The Sacred in the Ordinary

Interesting that it is hard to find a painting of their late-night meal of fish. Others are crowded on Google images. The garden, the breakfast on the beach, the road to Emmaus – old and new pictures. Is the fish meal too ordinary for the resurrection? We can't believe that the Lord of all creation who died for us will be recognised so simply or can we?



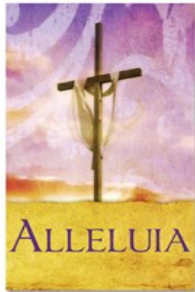
Jesus is in a bit of a fix. Faith is still weak in his followers – how can he get to them? Thought the doors are closed, he comes among them in their fear. He said Peace again. This doesn't seem to get through. Finally tried a meal of ordinary fish with them. Somehow it is getting through. They have remembered other meals of fish and the way he ate it. Faith is growing in them in the simple act of sharing a meal together.

There is always another way for Jesus. We resist that he is so ordinary. The resurrection happens now and in the ordinary. How this week did I find the resurrection? where I took a jump outside of the self in love, care, work for justice? In any way we raise each other up to a better human life and faith, then the resurrection is being shared.

The garden, the chat on the road, and now the ordinary meal. Imagine if we said he took fish, said the blessing! All of life is sacred and shot through with the love and grace of the risen Lord.

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15 April – 21 April Mass Intentions

	St. Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7pm–8pm
Tue		7.00pm Seamus Maguire (Anniv) Patrick McMenamin (Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm–8.30pm	 <p style="text-align: center;">Feumore</p>
Wed		9.30am Joe & Mina Mooney (Anniv) Adoration 10am–12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Desmond Quinn (1st) Adoration 7pm–9pm		
Fri	9.30am Bernadette Nelson (Anniv)		
Sat		5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.00pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am Kathleen Mulholland (Anniv) Dominic Clenaghan (Anniv) 12.00pm Annette Creaney (Anniv) Jimmy Magee (Anniv)	10.45am Elizabeth Jane & James Skelton (Anniv) Geraldine Kerr (Anniv)	

Recently Deceased Adrian Loney (*Hartswood*), Karen Taggart (*Landgarve Manor*)

Anniversaries Desmond Quinn (1st), Gerald Nelson, Charles McAlister, Seamus Maguire, Patrick McMenamin, Joe & Mina Mooney, Bernadette Nelson, Kathleen Mulholland, Frank Marsden, Andy Mulholland, James Loney, Mary Lightsey, Barney McCann, Florence McAtteer, Mattie Crossen, Catherine Cormican, John O'Neill, Charles & Joseph Bradley, Leo O'Neill.

Sanctuary Lamps Eddie Heatley, Special Intention

Baptisms We welcome to God's family Cahir Ruarí Owens

Parish Envelopes 2024–25 are available for collection from the church porches.

Trocaire Lenten campaign 2024 Please return your Trocaire box to the churches as soon as possible.

Collections 7/04/24

Weekly Offering: £2,919

Monthly Offering £1,728

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2023–24, Week 50

Winner £1,000 Patrick & Patricia Mulholland (*Glenavy*)

Winner £500 Mark Hickland (*Ballinderry Upper*)

Winner £100 Deirdre McCloskey (*Glenavy*)

Winner £50 Orna Coyle (*Glenavy*)

Congratulations to our winners

New Parish Draw 2024/25 The Parish Draw is a valuable source of income for our parish and there are generous prizes to be won. The new Parish Draw for 2024/25 begins on 6th May, just £10 per month. Renewal forms are being 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.

Lourdes Pilgrimage As a parish community we would like to help or assist several parishioners who have a disability with a donation of £500 per person towards the cost of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 10 – 17 July 2024. A Down and Connor Lourdes application form is available from the parish office for anyone interested in availing of this support. If you are interested, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. All completed applications will be forwarded to the Down and Connor Medical Team who will be in contact with all applicants. **Please note that the closing date for applications is 30 April.**

The Legion of Mary is back in the parish. We meet on Thursdays at 7.30 pm in the Annex of St Joseph's church, Glenavy for further info call or text 07581292226 (Emma). Join us!

The Parish Easter Whist raised £360, a big thanks to everyone who attended.

Pastoral Council The next meeting will be Thursday 18 April at 7pm in St Joseph's Presbytery.

Diocesan Holy Hour for Vocations Sunday on the vigil of the Feast of the Good Shepherd, a Holy Hour will be prayed before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in every Cathedral in Ireland for Vocations.

Join us in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast on 20 April, 5.30pm for Vigil Mass for Vocations Sunday and 6.30pm Holy Hour for Diocesan Vocations.

Rosary in Honour of Our Lady throughout the month of May, every evening at 7pm at the Grotto of St Joseph's Church.

Living Church Office: Down and Connor Diocesan pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. £40 per person includes luxury coach & refreshments. Early booking is advised. To book contact Claire Tel: 028 90690920 Email: livingchurch@downandconnor.org

The first National Pilgrimage for Life, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 4 May in Knock Shrine. The pilgrimage begins with Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica at 2.30pm, followed by Mass & Rosary Procession. Main celebrant will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. We invite you to join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

Called to be a Monk? A Monastic Come and See Day on 23 June 2024 at Our Lady of Bethlehem Abbey Portglenone, Co Antrim. The monks at the Cistercian monastery invite men between the ages of 20 & 50 to join us at the Abbey. Tel 028 25821211 or email frmagee@yahoo.co.uk, to leave your contact details.

Poor Clares in Carlow invite women from age 22 to 40 years for a cuppa and a chat to find out more about our life. If interested, please contact us poorclaresvoc@gmail.com before the event on Saturday 4 May 2.30–4.30pm

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.

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

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.

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

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.

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

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament Can you spare 1 hour from 11am—12pm on a Wednesday in Mater Dei church. Please contact the parish office to leave your name and telephone number.

The Diocese is planning to take a group of young people to MOVE MOVE is a five-day summer residential event for teenagers aged 14-17yrs. It is an all-inclusive experience that not only provides food, lodging, fun and games, activities and sports, community discipleship and an age-intentional programme. It also aims to provide encounters with Jesus that leads young people to embrace Him and the purposes they've been called to, on 29th July – 2nd August 2024, at Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare (Free return transport from Belfast), Cost: £250pp (Early Bird).

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

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.

Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024 10 – 15/17 July. 5 & 7 Night options available. Please visit www.downandconnor.org/lourdes for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or email lourdes@downandconnor.org Youth Team (10-17 July): applications now open.

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.

The Legion of Mary is currently visiting homes in the parish promoting devotion of the Divine Mercy.

"Big Band for a Big Cause" In aid of Marie Curie charity, an evening with Dana and the PM Big Band, Friday 31 May 31, The Theatre at the Mill at 7:45pm. featuring songs of Sinatra, Glen Miller, Michael Bubl , Tom Jones and Amy Winehouse. Tickets £25 from theatre box office 0300 123 7788.