

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. **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 12 & Friday 26 April, 10am – 12pm. Drop in no appointment necessary.

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 28 March 2024. Winning Numbers; 8-18-21-22. Jackpot £3,000, 2nd Jackpot £1,200 No Jackpot winners. 3 Number winner Elsie Davis. 3 Lucky Dips Danny Patton, PJ McCrory, Dermot O'Boyle. Results Thursday 4 April 2024 Winning Numbers; 12-13-19-23. Jackpot £3,000, 2nd Jackpot £1,250 No Jackpot winners. No 3 number winners. 3 Lucky Dips Danny Paton, Charles Gallagher, Michael McGarrell. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £3,000. 2nd Jackpot £1,300 The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

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.

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

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.

PARISH BINGO

in St Clare's Community Hall
Every Thursday at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.
Jackpot £1,000 in 52 Numbers



Second Sunday of Easter 7 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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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Growing in Faith

Our church community faces many big questions about the place of women, our views on sexuality, the need for consultation and for dialogue. We need to know what all of us believe, not just our leaders. We need to know how people find it to live their faith, in these areas of sexuality, justice, migration, ministry and other realities today. Recent Synods and letters of the Pope have tried to narrow connect theory and lived faith.



There is a need to be able to grapple with the demands of today and the message of the gospel; To be able to discern our path in the peace and joy of the Easter message, knowing we don't all have to agree with each other to say to say, *'my Lord and my God'*.

We are the people who are happy to believe; to show we are a community of faith and of joy, and we want to spread this faith that lives for justice and compassion.

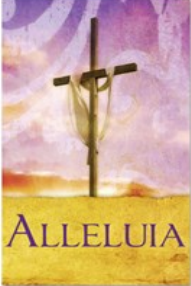
We will never get it fully right. But we can get it better and better if we unite with the Lord and hear each other with respect. That is our challenge at Easter. May the Lord bring the best out of our faith in bad days and help us live with and enjoy the best of our faith in the good times. We want to make alive what is best in our Christianity.

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Do This in Memory Programme

The children and their families who have joined the Do This in Memory Programme are invited to attend the Mass next Sunday 14 April 2024 at 9.30am in St Joseph's or 10.45am in Mater Dei.

8 April — 14 April Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm
Tue		7.00pm James & Kathleen Brankin (Anniv) Isaac Mulholland (Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm—8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am Mrs Margaret Phillips (16th Anniv) Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am Kathleen & Frank Marsden (Anniv) Deceased members of Gallagher & Early Families		
Sat		5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.00pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am Do This in Memory 12.00pm Charles McAlister (Anniv) Gerald Nelson (Anniv)	10.45am Do This in Memory	

Feumore Mass

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

Anniversaries Agnes Creaney (1st), Raymond McCormick, Brigid & Phelim McGarry, Fr John Sloan, Kathleen Brankin, Isaac Mulholland, Margaret Phillips, Kathleen & Frank Marsden, Raymond McCormick, Anne McGurnaghan, Terence Maguire, Kevin Nelson, Frank Loughan, Meta Nelson, Robert Trowlen, Martin O'Rourke, Mona Hutchison, Vincent McGarry, Raymond Mooney, Dave McCorry, Mary Ann Henry & John Henry, John Henry (Jnr), Sarah Campbell

Sanctuary Lamps Special Intention, Special Intention

Baptisms We welcome to God's family Heidi Bridgid Aiken.

Weddings Congratulations to Hannah Lamb & John McKinney and Ciara Mooney & Paul Gribben who were married in Christ.

Collections 31/03/24

Weekly Offering: £3,505
Easter Offering £1,899
Holy Land £1,055

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2023—24, Week 49

Winner £100 John Crossey (Glenavy)
Winner £50 Gordon & Mary McGarry (Crumlin)

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.

Easter Converts Parishioners may be heartened to know that 40 people were received into the Catholic Church in our Diocese of Down and Connor. They were received at Easter Vigil Masses in a number of parishes. Please remember them in your prayers.

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

Divine Mercy Sunday: Would you like your soul to be as pure as on the day you were baptised? If the answer is yes, read on. St Pope John Paul II canonized a Polish mystic, Sister Faustina (1905 – 1938) on the Sunday after Easter in 2000 and declared that from then on, the second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. In a revelation to Sister Faustina (recorded in her Diary 1109) Jesus told her, 'I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to confessions and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy' (Divine Mercy Sunday). The conditions for receiving this great grace, including going to confessions, can be fulfilled by attending any of the following Churches on Divine Mercy Sunday, 7 April this year. St Peter's Cathedral @ 2pm, St Paul's, Falls Rd @ 1pm, Sacred Heart, Oldpark Rd @ 2.15pm, St Patrick's, Lisburn @ 3pm.

Saint Vincent De Paul—Crumlin Conference (St James) Two new clothing banks have been installed at the bottom of Mater Dei Church Car Park in aid of St Vincent de Paul. Donations of clean clothes, shoes, curtains and towels only gratefully accepted. Thankyou.

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

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.

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.

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

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

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 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 JP II, please contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292.