

**St Clare's Hall, What's on?** – **Monday** Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Table Tennis 7pm – 8pm, Pilates 7pm – 9pm, 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 – 7.45pm, 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, Flip Fusion 5pm–7pm **Saturday** Slimming World 7.45–11am **Monthly Events** Book club 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 7.30pm – 9pm, Traditional night 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Friday 7pm – 9pm. **Other events in St Clare's Community Hall:** Saturday 26 October – 10am – 12 noon – Pumpkin Day. £7.50 per person. Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's Contact 07517779334 or stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com.

**Community Development Outreach & Funding Clinic – Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council**, to help community & voluntary groups setting up, governance, finance, funding, volunteer engagement & training on Tuesday 1 October from 6pm – 9pm in St Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy. For more information or to register, email [community.services@lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk](mailto:community.services@lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk) or 028 9244 7713.

**St Clare's Bowling Club** An invitation to all new and past bowlers. We welcome new members, young or old to our practice on Mondays & Wednesday at 8pm. Come along and have fun!

**St. Joseph's GAC:** Lotto Results 19 September 2024 Winning Numbers 2 -18 -21-22, Jackpot £2,450, No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winners – No winner's. 3 Lucky Dips Mary Ferguson, Dermott Hanna, Kellie Nelson. . Next Week's Jackpot is worth £2,500. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support

**RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is a process to introduce the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church to individuals who wish to learn more about Catholicism, including the opportunity, if they wish, to become Catholic through the Sacraments of Initiation. RCIA is a time of teaching, formation and conversion to come to know, love and develop a relationship with God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The first step is to request a registration form by emailing [rcia@downandconnor.org](mailto:rcia@downandconnor.org).

**Parish of Bangor Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome Feb 5 – 11, 2025.** For more information and to book please ring 00353 57 93 55050 or email [info@myriam.ie](mailto:info@myriam.ie)

**Abide in His Love Women's Conference. 15-17 November 2024** The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal. To register, visit Eventbrite.ie and search for "Abide in His Love." Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.

**Accord NI** We find that many couples defer seeking support during holiday periods until children have returned to school and we want to let them know we are here. We now have seven new trainee counsellors who will begin practice later this autumn across all the dioceses.

**Parish Bingo**  
in St Clare's Community Hall  
Every Thursday at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.  
Jackpot £1,000 in 53 Numbers



**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**29 September 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  
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### ***Making a Difference***

There's a certain definiteness in the gospel today. Like a team going on a field to win. We are either with Jesus or against him, and this is proved in our way of life. Following Jesus does not necessarily mean being different from others. It means throwing ourselves into the everyday life and needs of people and giving what we can.



It comes out also in public life. We can make our voices heard about issues which deeply affect others, like respecting and protecting life, like ensuring we care for our children in fact as well as in law, legislating wisely about marriage, in how we legislate for the care of our elderly. We may work to free our country from the effects of addiction with drugs and alcohol.

Jesus is asking for a definite way of life and of wanting to make a difference. Faith is more than assent of the mind, but a way of life and of trust – a way of life in not hindering others but helping with compassion and good deeds. Our way of life is a sharing of faith one to another – *"Faith is passed on by contact, from one person to another, just as one candle is lighted from another"* – Pope Francis.

The people who make a difference are building blocks rather than stumbling blocks. Every good cause will have its '*begrudgers*'. The apostles themselves were like that and bit by bit realised that following Jesus can be seen in many ways, and in the giving of cold water or hot soup, or in any way, making a big difference in life is being a true follower.


*Remember a time you made a difference in someone's life.*

*Ask the Lord that we be able to do this again.*

*Lord, teach me to serve you as you deserve.*

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## 30 September— 6 October Mass Intentions

	St.Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		<b>Monday Adoration</b> 7pm—8pm
Tue		7.00pm Communion Service Rosary 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7pm -8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am Communion Service Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Communion Service Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am Communion Service		
Sat		6.00pm Patrick Boyle (Months Mind, Seamus Boyle (Months Mind)	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00pm Gerard McKavanagh (1st Anniv)	10.45am Luarena Rice (Anniv) Peter & Bridie Keenan (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

11am—12pm

**Anniversaries** Colette Brady (1st), Paul McCann (1st), Kathleen McAreavey (1st), Mary Lewsley, Fr Michael Cremin, John Corr.

**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 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.

**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.

### Collection 22/09/24

Weekly Offering: £2,826  
**Thank you for your generosity**

### Parish Draw 2024-25 Week21

Winner £100 Martin & Colette Weldon (Crumlin)  
Winner £50 Adrian Grant (Upper Ballinderry)

**Congratulations to our winners!**

**Mary's Meals** A representative from the charity Mary's Meals will speak at all Masses this weekend (28 & 29 Sept) to give an update about how their life-changing work of feeding children at school in some of the world's poorest countries has grown with your support in the past few years and about their current Ethiopia Crisis Appeal. There will be a bucket collection and card machine available after mass if you wish to support financially. Mary's Meals would also appreciate your prayers in support of their work. Prayer cards will be available to take home. Further details about their work and how you can get involved can be found at [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk) or contact Caoimhe McCann on 07394564065.

**Children's Liturgy** We are delighted to announce the return of Children's Liturgy (for all children nursery to P5) at 9:30 Mass at St. Joseph's Church. We also call members of our parish family aged 18+ to join our Children's Liturgy team in passing on our faith to the children. If interested, please come and speak to us after Mass.

**Calling all Musicians and Singers!** New Musicians and Choir Members needed in St Joseph's, Glenavy. Please share with anyone aged 18+ who might be interested. Very keen to have any instrumentalists join our team. For more information contact Ciara 07938914190 or [c.mooney.3@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:c.mooney.3@hotmail.co.uk)

**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 SVDP** 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.

**The Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work** would like to thank everyone who supported their afternoon Tea in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 22 September, those who came along to the event, those who bought tickets but could not join us and those who donated prizes. Thank you all for your generosity, the sum raise for the Missions was £2,600.

**Trócaire Christmas fundraisers** needed to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world, including the millions of children and families caught in conflict in Sudan and Gaza. You can take action and make a difference through a range of activities, including the promotion of our Gifts of Change – training and support will be provided. If you would like to find out more about what you can do to help now or over the Advent and Christmas period, then please email Mark McMahon at [infoni@trocaire.org](mailto:infoni@trocaire.org) or call 028 9080 8030.

**Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB** reopened earlier this month in its temporary premises of 42 University Road, Belfast offering facilities including a Chapel with daily Mass, study space and Cafe. More information can be found at [qubcatholic.org](http://qubcatholic.org). First Sunday Mass of the semester 29 September at 8pm (with Choir) in the Canada Room of Lanyon Building. Annual Dedication of Studies Mass, the University's Great Hall, 6 October at 8pm presided over by Fr Chris Gault OP. Students, staff, alumni & friends are most welcome to join us as we pray God's blessing on the academic community at Queen's for the year ahead.

**Saint Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage Ireland 2024** St Mary's Church, Chapel Lane, Belfast. Tuesday 15 & Wednesday 16 October 2024. Be part of this once in a lifetime event and share in the joy and special message of Our lady of Lourdes. For more information visit [www.downandconnor.org/stbernadette](http://www.downandconnor.org/stbernadette)

**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](http://www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy) or [www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin](http://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.

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

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

**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.

**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](mailto:info@accordni.com) or [www.accordni.com](http://www.accordni.com)

**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.. There is a separate account for the Parish Draw.