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 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm – 9pm, Traditional night 1st Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Friday 7pm – 9pm. Other events in St Clare's Community Hall: St Clare's Hall Christmas Fair -17 November 2024 12,30pm - 3pm. Free entry, All welcome Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's Contact 07517779334 or stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com. 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!

<u>Audiocare Crumlin</u> Free Hearing test promotion for over 65's. Call 02894438722 or visit audiocare.co.uk

St.Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results <u>Thursday 31 October 2024</u>. Winning Numbers 7-14-18-19, Jackpot £2,750, No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winner Nuala McCourt 3 Lucky Dips Michelle O'Donnell, Claire O'Boyle, Olwyn McCambridge. Results <u>Thursday 7 November 2024</u>. Winning Numbers:16-20-24-26 Jackpot £2,800, No Jackpot winner. 3 Number winner Mary McCarthy 3 Lucky Dips. Joanne Brazier, Clare Cormican, Anne Nelson. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £2,850. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

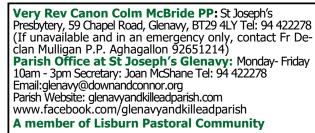
Ukrainian Greek Catholic Rite At the request of Ukrainian refugees living throughout N.I., monthly Liturgy in the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Rite has started in Belfast. Fr Taras Khomych, the Ukrainian Chaplain in Liverpool, travels to celebrate the Divine Liturgy at St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street, Belfast on the second Sunday of the month at 1pm. **Anam Cara,** Monday 11 November @ 7:15pm, Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast. Free event & open to all bereaved parents. No need to register in advance. Online support group meeting available.. More information 01 4045378 or <u>info@anamcara.ie</u> **Pioneer Pledge for the month of the Holy Souls** A short-term pledge gives spiritual support & encouragement to people & their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Contact the Pioneers on 01 805 4226 or via www.pioneers.ie/ pray "**Dilexit nos - He loved us**" - **Encyclical of Pope Francis** Prayers & Reflections available on www.pioneers.ie

Parish Bingo

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

GLENAVY † KILLEAD PARISH

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 10 November 2024



A series of contrasts

The gospel is a series of contrasts – rich and poor, greedy and generous, arrogant and humble and it is not difficult to guess which of them Jesus is praising. The lady in question, a poor widow, may not even have heard the praise of Jesus but the disciples were left in no doubt where Jesus' sympathies lay.



He praises true religion in the widow who gave all she had in the cause of **G**od. He berates the co-existence of long prayers and the greed which took away the property of people like this widow. The religious people of the day were meant to look after the widow and the orphan who had nobody else to fight their cause.

From the gospel we take the invitation of Jesus to give all; the amount given is not the big question, it is the giving of the heart. Jesus knows the listeners would cop on that what he was talking about was more than money – it was to give the first place in life to God and the things of God. That is the call to all of us.

The things of **G**od we can glibly refer to are the love we are called to receive and to give, it is to care for other things of **G**od too like creation, justice, peace and reconciliation. It is to give time to worship **G**od in common and in private – to ensure a space and time for prayer in each day.

The widow of the gospel had a generous heart, as did the widow in the first reading. They looked outward to the needs of other and the things of **G**od and gave what they could in this direction. Can we not do the same?

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Mass For The Bereaved

The Annual Mass for those who have lost a loved one since last November 2023 will be celebrated on Thursday 14 November at 7.00pm in St Joseph's Church and is open to all.

11 November 17 November Mass Intentions				
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James	
			Monday	
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Adoration	
			7pm—8pm	
Tue		7pm –P.I. Rosary 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7pm -8.30pm		
Wed		9.30am Marie O'Neill (Anniv)		
		Adoration 10am—12pm		
Thurs	9.30am P.I.			
	7pm Mass for The Bereaved			
			Feumore Mass	
Fri	9.30am P.I.		Centre	
			Sun Adoration	
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Sat		5.30pm Sacrament of	7.30pm	
		Reconciliation	Divine Mercy	
		6.00pm	Chaplet, Chaplet	
		Jack & Lawrence Loughan (Anniv)	for Holy Souls & Rosary after-	
		Vivienne McCorry (Anniv)	wards starts at	
Sun	9.30am P.P.	10. 45am Brendan Skelton (Anniv)	6.15pm	
	12.00pm	Angus & Kathleen Grant (Anniv)	Mon Adoration	
	Vincent Mulholland (Anniv) Nell Mulholland (Anniv)		11am—12pm	

Anniversaries Anna Connon, Harry Connon, Marie O'Neill, Ann McGann, Patrick Cleary, Jarlath Ignatius Maguire, Michael Hackett, Denis Campbell, Jack Loughan Lawrence Loughan, Sean McGarry, Jim Higham, Joseph Connon, Marie O'Sullivan, Hugh Cormican, Vera McGarry, Alice McGarry, James McGarry, Harry McGarry **Baptisms** We welcome to God's family Tiarnan Eamon Treanor, Cecilia Sally

Shephard, Aidan Daniel Crowch, Keelan Dominic McGrath Franklyn. Sanctuary Lamps Sarah & James McGarry, Mary Leader

<u>Youth Alpha Course</u>, Tuesday 12 November, 7.15 to 8.15pm, St Joseph's Annex for all 16 to 20 year olds. Fun, Friendship and Food, while exploring the love of God. All welcome.

Collection (53/11/24	Parish Draw 2024-25 Week27
Weekly Offering:	£3,114	Winner £100 Monica Hickland (Ballinderry Upper)
Monthly Stipend	£2,133	Winner £50 Eilish Connon (Crumlin)
Thank you gener		

Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy & Religious. The Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy and Religious will take place on Tuesday 19 November 2024 in: St Peter's Cathedral (Belfast) at: 7:30 pm. The Mass will also be broadcast online at http://www.churchservices.tv/stpeterscathedral. Parishioners, Clergy and Religious from throughout the Diocese are invited to join the families of the deceased to offer Mass together with Bishop Alan for those dergy and religious who have died in this past year (1st November 2023 - 31st October 2024).

PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR returns on Sunday 1 December 2024. New and additional helpers are needed for this major event. Please contact the parish office if you would like to lend a hand. **Toys:** A hit with children. Toys should be in working order. All types acceptable. **Cakes/Home Bakes:** Always popular and there's great demand for Cakes, Fruit Tarts, Homemade Jams, Pastry. Includes homemade Breads. Never have enough for this stall. If you would be willing to bake, go for it. **Bottles:** Very popular. Anything that comes in a bottle is acceptable. Put another in your shopping basket. **Tombola:** Donations of all sorts of the smaller sized gifts. Preloved or Unused Gifts. **Rickety Wheel:** The star attraction! Gifts of all sorts needed for the wheel. Please leave donations at the Parish Office.

The Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work are holding their Annual Christmas Sale in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 24 November after 9.30am and 12pm Masses. Cakes, Tombola, Ballot, Bric a Brac stalls, tea & coffee available. A church door collection for Apostolic Work will be taken up at all Masses in the Parish (Saturday & Sunday) that weekend. Gift Aid envelopes for taxpayer donors are available at the back of St Joseph's Church and Mater Dei Church . Please complete and return envelopes in Church Door Collection or Parish Office.

Caring to the End: Why Euthanasia Is Not an Answer to

Suffering. St Malachy's Parish Hall, 24 Alfred St, Belfast (public transport & free parking nearby after 6pm). Speaker Dr Dominic Whitehouse (Palliative Care Consultant) and Jack Valero (communications expert & founder of Catholic Voices) (a) 7pm on 29 November. Contact- emily@faithversed.com or 07481940689 **Glenavy St Vincent De Paul** will be holding its Annual Senior Citizen's Dinner at 1pm on Saturday 7 December in St Clare's Hall. Anyone who would like to attend should contact a member of the local Conference before Monday 2 December or ring 07764 797963. All are welcome.

REMEMBERING THE DECEASED NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS

Throughout the month of November, the Church traditionally remembers and prays for all those who have died. A November Dead List is a list of the names of deceased relatives and friends for whom you would like Mass offered during November. Like all acts of remembrance, compiling a November Dead List is an act of charity to the faithful departed from those who are still able to assist them. The sheets on which to compile the list and accompanying envelopes are in the Church Porches. A voluntary offering may be included for the support of the priests who will celebrate the Masses. Return the envelope either in the collection basket or in the box in the Sanctuary. The list of the deceased will be placed in the Sanctuary where they will remain for the Month of November. Mass will be offered each day specifically for all those named on the lists, that they may attain what they long for, eternal rest in God's presence. <u>Web Camera's</u> Mater Dei Church and St Joseph's are both equipped with webcameras. 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: <u>www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy</u> or <u>www.chuchservices.tv/</u> 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.

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

<u>Making your offering to the church</u> 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 <u>Bank Transfer to: Parish of Glenavy and Killead Sort Code 98 04 60. Account 10654677</u>. 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.

<u>Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament</u> 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.

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. **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.

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<u>Calling all Musicians and Singers!</u> 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 <u>c.mooney.3@hotmail.co.uk</u>

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

Enrolment of the Pope John Paul II Award Group. If you are aged 16/17, year 13/14 and are interested in joining JPII, please contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292.

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.

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. For more information about what you can do to help over the Advent and Christmas period, please email Mark McMahon at infoni@trocaire.org or call 028 9080 8030.

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. <u>St Joseph Glenavy</u> <u>Conference SVDP</u> 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.

Annual Mass for the deceased teachers of Down & Connor will be celebrated on Monday 11 November at 7.30pm in All Saints' Church, Ballymena www.youtube.com/@allsaintsballymena/streams & Tuesday 12 November 2024 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church, Belfast www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net.Please forward the Name & School of any teacher who died during the past 12 months by Friday 8 November to Fr Colin Grant, Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. Tel 028 9049 1886 or Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org

St Agnes' Choral Society Enjoy a fun-filled night out with the classic musical Calamity Jane. Grand Opera House from 12 - 16 November. "Whip-crack-away" tickets at goh.co.uk

Trócaire School Volunteers to support our 2025 Lent Appeal in the Down & Connor Diocese. Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Full training and ongoing support will be provided. More information call Naomi Purnell 028 9080 8033 or email <u>naomi.purnell@trocaire.org</u>.