

St. Clare's Hall will be closed from **6th – 26th January** to allow for the installation of a new floor in the main hall.

GH Tyres and Auto Services: 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General Service and repairs Tel: 0289 4423 113.

A Blessed statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available through The Legion of Mary to any sick parishioner for one week. If you would like to avail of the statue, please contact the parish office.

Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on 3 Saturdays (25 January; 22 February & 29 March) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Pauline [07519289185](tel:07519289185) or Marie [07896119669](tel:07896119669) or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

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.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi - QUB Alumni and Friends The Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University Belfast will lead a Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi for alumni and friends. Departing 25 August 2025 for 7 nights, Spiritual Director Fr Dominic McGrattan, with dedicated tour guide, private coach travel & group meals included. For more information email Chaplaincy Director, Shannon Campbell, at catholicchaplaincy@qub.ac.uk

The Alpha experience at St Colmcille's Parish, 191 Upper Newtownards Road Belfast BT4 3JB starting Wednesday 15 January at 8pm. To register your interest text 07879 498131 or email n.dunn@downandconnor.org or

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 email naomi.purnell@trocaire.org or 028 9080 8033.

DRUMALIS RETREAT CENTRE LARNE Annual Retreat to celebrate the Jubilee. Our Theme for this year is "Witnesses of Hope". Friday evening 17 – Sunday 19 January 2025. Speaker – Fr Darren Brennan. To book contact Margaret on 07716 288811

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

Dry January 2025 Local people, from all backgrounds are being urged to think about drinking and the effects on Families as we approach Dry January 2025. Al-Anon is launching a new campaign 'You are not alone!' during Dry January 2025 to encourage more people living with problem drinkers to find their local Al-Anon meeting. In Northern Ireland there are 30 Al-Anon groups, & more than 700 Groups throughout the UK & the Republic of Ireland. Our Information Office, based in Belfast is opened from 10am – 1pm Monday to Friday; contact number 02890682368. All meetings are listed on the website www.al-anonuk.org.uk, or you can call our Confidential Helpline on 02890682368 10am – 1pm or 6pm – 10pm daily.



The Baptism of The Lord 12 January 2025

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
www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish

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Spirit Energy

Today, Jesus' baptism by John, was a special moment - the real coming of **God's spirit** upon him. It was the same **Spirit** who had come upon Mary at the moment of Jesus' conception and would come to Jesus at his last moment on the **Cross**.



The spirit brings him new energy. The feast marks that something new is happening, and that Jesus is the beloved and son, from eternity and into time.

The Spirit came upon him - but not just for himself. He would send the Spirit later to us - of forgiveness and of perseverance in doing good.

Today is about energy. Jesus found a new spirit in himself after his prayer, and he heard words he would never forget. Maybe you have heard words of love from someone you will never forget. They give energy to the heart and soul, making us people always on the go, ready for new life within us.

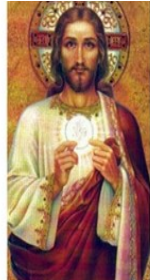
The Spirit pours the energy of **God** into bread and wine, and they are changed forever. He sends himself forever. It is sending the love and presence and energy of **God**.

We know that we can get stuck. We need new infusions of the **Spirit** to give new energy. Can we be the type of people who others think it's good to meet? Open to the **Spirit of God**, open to new life, new love, being really fully the person I can be?

*May the waters of baptism, O Lord,
bring us the new life of your love.*

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13 January — 19 January Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm
Tue		7pm James Madden (Months Mind) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30pm—8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am George & Ellie McCann (Anniv) Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9pm		Feumore Mass Centre
Fri	9.30am Rose Cormican (Anniv)		Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm
Sat		5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.00pm P.P.	Mon Adoration 11am—12pm
Sun	9.30am Gerard Mulholland (Anniv) Louis Brankin (Anniv) 12.00pm Mark Hendron (1st Anniv)	10.45am Josephine McGoldrick (Months Mind)	

Recently Deceased Malcolm Condie (*Manse Road*), Brian Lorgan (*formerly Scroggy Rd*)

Months Mind James Madden, Josephine McGoldrick

Anniversaries Rosaleen McClean, Gus McCotter, Bridie McCotter, Lily Edge, Dermot Doran, George & Ellie McCann, Rose Cormican, Samuel Nelson, Donal Deery, Francly Prior, Monica Maguire, Joan & Pat Flynn, Imelda McGarry, Eileen Doone, Molly Doherty, James Brankin, David McCorry, Fr Gregory & Art Cormican

Sanctuary Lamps Special Intention, Special Intention

Collection 5/01/25

Weekly Offering: £2,906
Monthly: £2,355

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2024-25 (Week 36)

Winner £100 Oliver Magee (Feumore)
Winner £50 Joseph O'Boyle (Glenavy)

Congratulations to our winners!

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is seeking Doctors, Nurses and Adult Volunteer helpers for the 40th Diocesan Pilgrimage in 2025. The pilgrimage is from 10-15 July & volunteers receive a subsidised fare. For more information or to register your interest, please visit www.downandconnor.org/lourdes or email lourdes@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 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.

You are warmly invited to the opening of this year's 4 Corners Festival with Dr Lorna Gold, Chair of the International Laudato Si' Movement. In this 10th anniversary year of Pope Francis' Encyclical "*Laudato Si'*", Belfast is privileged to host Lorna Gold, Chair of the International Laudato Si' Movement, at the 4 Corners Festival on Sunday 2 February, 7pm, Jennymount Methodist Church, 222 North Queen Street, BT15 3DH. The 4 Corners Festival is an annual celebration designed to inspire transformation across Belfast through events that promote peace, unity, and understanding. All are welcome! Further info info@jointhedotstogether.org Register www.tickettailor.com/events/4cornersfestival2/1489258
QUB Chaplaincy Reopens for New Year with Mass Sunday, 12 January, at 8pm in the University's historic Lanyon Building. Weekday Mass schedule resumes on Monday 13 January at temporary premises, 42 University Road. For more information on the services we offer visit qubcatholic.org

St Joseph's Cleaning Team urgently need volunteers to help clean St Joseph's Church. If you can spare time to help, please contact the Parish Office. **St Malachy's College, Belfast** will be holding Open Nights on Wednesday 15 January & Thursday 16 January 2025 from 7pm—9.30pm. Guided tours from 7pm. Principals address 7.45pm and 8.30pm in the College Hall
Dominican College Fortwilliam Open Day. Saturday 18th January 2025 from 9.30 am to 1pm. Principal's address at 9.30 am and 11am (P6 & P7 pupils all welcome).

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

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.

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.

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.