<u>ALDERGROVE/CRUMLIN APOSTOLIC WORKERS</u> are holding their meeting on Monday 10 April at 8.00pm.

"FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP. The next meeting of the Crumlin & Glenavy cross-community Faith & Friendship Group will take place on Tuesday 4th April at 8pm in St. Aidan's C of I Church Hall, Glenavy. The Gospel text of Mark 10:32-45 'Falls the Shadow' will be read, shared and reflected upon, with prayers offered for an outpouring of peace on our neighbourhood. Everyone is very welcome to share their faith with members of other Churches."

GH TYRES AND AUTO SERVICES: 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General service and repairs Tel:94423113.

ST. JOSEPH'S GAC LOTTO RESULTS: 30 March: 7-10-14-15 No Winner. 3 Numbers Winner: M. T. Trowlen: . Lucky Dip: Nuala Lavery, Rosemary Cardwell, Gerry O'Neill. Next Week's Jackpot: £950. **Annual Festival April 27-30th . More details later**

ST. JAMES GAC LOTTO RESULTS: . 26 March 2-4-12-24. No Winner. £15. Michael brown , £10: Shaun Brown. Next week's Jackpot £800.

To book St Clare's Community Hall please PHONE: 075 1777 9334.

'FRIDAY MORNING' CUP OF TEA/COFFEE IN ST. CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL after 9.30 Mass. All welcome. Please use the patio door to the right. Proceeds in aid of the hall.

GLENCLARE FRIENDSHIP GROUP Wednesday's 11.00am—3.00pm.

Bowls: Every Monday & Wednesday 8-10pm

EC GYMNASTICS: Saturdays 5-8pm

DR JIVE: Wednesday's 8pm beginners welcome, no partner required

PILATES: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday. Booking essential. Tel Gemma on 07738111281

BRAZIER SCHOOL OF DANCE: Tuesday 5-6pm **BOOK CLUB** third Tuesday of the month

GLENAVY WI: Meets 4th Tuesday of every month. Next meeting Tuesday 28 February at 7.30pm **TRADITIONAL MUSICIANS SINGERS AND STORYTELLERS** last Sunday of each month 7-9pm. Contact Tricia 07821905672.

<u>COUNTRY CABARET DANCE WITH TONY KERR AND FRIENDS</u>, (Crawford Bell & Joe Moore). A night of Country Classics, Friday 7th April. Doors open 6.30pm—show time 8.00pm. Tickets £10. Door £12. All profits to Freeman Heart & Lung Transplant Association.

Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall

Thursdays at **8.00pm** sharp-9.30pm approx.

Jackpot £1,000 in 46 Numbers
Line£15 House £25
Scoop £25 Line House £50
Game 9 if Jackpot not won, House £50

Easter Bingo Free Ballot next week



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2ND APRIL 2017

Very Rev Fr Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, 94459560 Rev Chris McGuinness, CC Mater Dei Presbytery, Glenavy Road, Crumlin, 94452941

Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy:

Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm. Office Closed1.00 - 2.00pm

Secretary: Máire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278

Email:glenavy@downandconnor.org Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com

A HUMAN HEART

When people read this they say they see that Jesus is a real human being, son of God, God of heaven, man of the earth, weep-ing over a friend. His was a human heart. He liked friends and he found a home and a safe place with them, over the hill and away from the mob. We might picture him there – the talk, the chat, the prayers, the love; meals with other friends who dropped in, times of prayer and silence.

The one who can share a laugh, eat a scone, have a drink or a cuppa. The one who'd give a wink at the sign of peace! Not always so serious, even about religion. There's no such thing as a sad saint!

He is a good friend. Friendship gives new spirit.

When life is ending we will give thanks for friends, and regret the way we have drifted or hurt each other. Real friendship is when another's thoughts and life become at least as or more important than our own.

So the resurrection and the life is not just for after death. It is for now. We raise each other up in friendship and in love. In that is the grace of the Lord, himself a friend, for when we love, God lives in us.

Picture your friends and those you love and give thanks to God for each of them.

Lord, help me to keep love and friendship alive in my life.

3rd April		9th April	Mass Intentions	
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James	Feumore
Mon	9.30am	7.00pm Jack Kelly	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	
Tue	7.00pm Stations of the Cross	9.30am		
Wed	7.00pm	9.30am		
Thurs	9.30am	7.00pm Stations of the Cross		
Fri	9.30am			
Sat	10.00am Bridie Barton	7.00 pm Kitty Auld		
Sun	9.30am 12.00 noon Raymond McCormack	10.30am 12.30pm Eileen & Neil Cormican	9.00am Florence Ayre	10.45am

PENITENTIAL SERVICE: Mater Dei Sunday 9 April at 7pm

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

MONTH'S MIND: .Michael Loney

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>: Fr John Sloan, Vincent McKavanagh, Jimmy Heatley, Elizabeth Heatley, Jack Kelly, Kevin Nelson, Bridie Barton, Kathleen & James Brankin, Mona Hutchison, Francis Petticrew, John O'Neill, Susan O'Neill, John McAlemon, William Sandy & Nathanial Walsh

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS: A Sanctuary Lamp burns for a week in each of our four 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. This week's dedications:

Seamus Maguire, McMahon Family, Special Intention, Sanctity of Life and Marriage.

DO THIS IN MEMORY FIRST EUCHARIST PROGRAMME continues next Sunday at the 9.30am and 10.30 am Masses

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to the Primary 7 children of Ballymacrickett and St Joseph's Primary Schools who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday. Thank you to the teachers and all who assisted in the preparations and on the day itself.

"LAND OF SAINTS AND SCHOLARS": This is the title of a book by Ciaran Ó Murchadha, telling in comic book style, the history of the Church in Ireland. Printed in hard-back and in full colour this book would make an interesting read and gift for children who have received Confirmation or children who will be making their First Holy Communion. Priced at £10, copies will be available for sale next weekend after Mass or from the parish office at any time. They are also available in the parish Primary Schools.

<u>THE GLENAVY BRANCH OF APOSTOLIC WORK</u> will hold their Annual Spring Sale on Sunday 23rd April in St Clare's Hall 9.30am—1.00pm. Usual stalls—Tombola, White Elephant, Cakes, Ballot etc. Donations gratefully received. Tea & Coffee available. Come along and support the Missions

PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME

Our Lenten programme is as follows: please note timetable on opposite page

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Tuesday in St Joseph's Church, Glenavy, at 7pm and every Thursday in Mater Dei Church, Crumlin, at 7pm during Lent.

The Stations or Way of the Cross is a pilgrimage, a journey that follows Christ's path of suffering and death. Pope Francis encourages us to set out on a pilgrimage of conversion to become kinder, more generous and more merciful people. This year we will pray with the Stations of the Cross based on Pope Francis' encyclical on the care of the Earth, *Laudato Si*.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS at 7.00pm in St Joseph's Church.

PRAYING THE SCRIPTURES IN LENT: A JOURNEY WITH JESUS

Every Thursday of Lent in St Joseph's Annex after the 9.30am Mass.

This is a way of drawing doser to God in prayer through His Word by reading scriptures together slowly, reflecting deeply and savouring the words of our loving God.

CONFESSIONS: St Joseph's Church Saturday 10.30am—11.00am Mater Dei Saturday 6.30pm—6.50pm

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES: Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host for the World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. Planning for this great national and international celebration of faith is well underway. Hosting this important event requires an enormous amount of planning and funding. In this regard a second national collection will be held on the weekend of 8 and 9 April 2017. Your support for this collection would be greatly appreciated.

<u>Parish Prayer Friends</u>: Any member of the parish can make a prayer request to the Parish Prayer Friends by texting 07753664162. Please pray this week for a number of parishioners who are suffering from depression, anxiety and despair.

Prayer:

O Lady of Mental Peace, Mother of Tranquillity and Mother of Hope, look upon me in this time of my weakness and unrest. Teach my searching heart to know that God's Love for me is unchanging and unchangeable, and, that true human love can only begin and grow by touching His Love. Let your gentle Peace which this world cannot give be always with me. And, help me to bring this same Peace into the lives of others. Our Lady of Mental Peace, - Pray for me!

PARISH DRAW

The current Parish Draw will be coming to an end soon with the final draws, including the third draw for £1000, taking place on Monday 10th April after the morning Mass. Thank you to all who supported the Draw and to the volunteers who helped with the administration.

The new Draw will begin on 1st May 2017. Details will be arriving with current members soon. Look out for the white envelope.

If you haven't been a member of the Draw and would like to join please pick up a flyer or contact the Parish Office. Thank you

COLLECTION: 26/03/2017

Weekly Offering: £2,777
Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW WEEK 48
Winner £100: Marie Louise Kane Crumlin
Winner £50: E M McCorry Crumlin

Thank you for your continued support

ADORATION

Feumore Mon 11.00am—12noon

Mater Dei Wed 10.00am—12noon and 6.00pm—9.00pm

St Joseph's Thurs 7.00pm—10.00pm St James Mon 5.00pm—8.00pm

If you are unable to attend please contact Sheila McLernon on 94 071858

<u>DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR</u> Thursday 30th March 2017 7.30pm. Church of the Nativity. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet Mass 8pm

GLENAVY AND KILLEAD BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: A member of the Bethany Group may be contacted on the following phone number 07746032796

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Emergency Helpline Crumlin/Aldergrove 02894423759. New members needed, for further details please contact the helpline number

100TH ANNIVERSARY TO FATIMA: Special Pilgrimage 22-29 June 2017. 7 days full board, en-suite, all inclusive. Spiritual Director Rev Fr John Hanna CSSR. For details contact Rita O'Neill 90623186

ADOPTION: Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For a free information pack please contact us at: Telephone: 028 71 368592, 028 90 691133 Monday to Friday 9 - 1 p.m.

Email: anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org Website: www.familycaresociety.co.uk

<u>FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION GIFTS</u> are now available in our new convent shop. We also carry a range of rosaries, prayer cards, and Catholic books. Adoration Convent, 63 Falls Road, Belfast. Open Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm (except 1-2pm).

BLESSING OF THE PIPE ORGAN AND CONCERT WITH THE PALESTRINA BOYS CHOIR. Friday, 7th April at 7:30pm in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Newcastle. Come and join us as we prepare to enter Holy Week with an exquisite repertoire of music sung for us by the highly acclaimed Palestrina Boys Choir of the Pro-Cathedral Dublin led by their conductor, Blánaid Murphy. This concert is in support of the Pipe Organ Fund. No cover charge or tickets necessary, a retiring collection will be taken up. Please note the date for your diary.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION: 1st Annual Retreat/Conference 26th & 27th April 2017.

THEME: Helping our Children and Grandchildren to know, love and serve God in these highly secularised times. YENUE: Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village Dublin 24. Day only and overnight attendance options are available. Inspiring talks, lively discussion. — Speakers including Fr. Benny McHale. Contact Connie at 098 24877 orcatholiograndparents@gmail.com

BASIC BIBLICAL BEGINNER'S HEBREW: Shalom, shalom to all those who have wanted to understand and read the bible in the Lord's own language; to hear His words and to understand the context of meaning that His Word expresses. This course is our first opportunity to learn Hebrew in a natural way. Over the course of the weekend 21-23 April 2017 you will develop an understanding of the Hebrew language, through the Lord's Prayer. This course will to be hosted in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. Please contact Katy Moreland: wordofthelord@gmail.com or check the Drumalis website for further details and to listen to the introductory video. Thank you.