

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Emergency Helpline Crumlin/Aldergrove 07754427088

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

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Are you still thinking about joining your parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group or perhaps forming a new team? Just to remind you that the final date to return application forms in order to facilitate interviews is Friday, 13 September. Completed forms should be sent to: Bethany Bereavement Support, 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT 14 6LA Or, for any information regarding this, please contact Claire Dowds on: 075 5788 2183 or email: bethanybereavementni@gmail.com

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 Thursday 5 Sept Winning Numbers 9-22-25-28 Jackpot £2,000 No Winners. 3 Numbers Ethel Bushe, Robert Colburn. **LUCKY DIPS** Desmond McCann, Maura McCorry, Kieran O'Neill. Next week's Jackpot £2,050. Visit the club's new website and enter the lotto draw at www.glenavy-gac.com. where you can also keep up to date with club affairs.

JOIN RUN-ANON COUCH 2.5k Beginners starting Monday 2nd September at Crumlin High School, Mons and Thurs 7-8pm. Train once a week (£15 every 4 weeks) or twice a week (£25 every 4 weeks). Can you run already join our improvers group. Contact Aidan 07954142045

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

FUNERAL HOSPITALITY: Please note St Clare's Hall has it's own team who cater for After Funeral Receptions. They provide a friendly and caring service.

COFFEE MORNING every Friday 10.00am—11.00am

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING 9am—12noon Friday 27th September

YOGA WITH EIMEAR recommences Monday 2nd September 6.45pm—7.45pm. £5 drop-in or £25 for 6 weeks.

BOOK CLUB every third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm

FRIENDSHIP GROUP will recommence on Wednesday 11th September at 10.30am for AGM and lunch.

ST CLARE'S BOWLING CLUB will start the new season on Monday 9th September at 8.00pm New members welcome. Tel 94453972

PILATES Tuesday 7.30pm and 8.30pm 07738111281

ST CLARE'S PARENTS & TODDLER GROUP Friday's 10.00am—12noon.

MODERN JIVE Wednesdays **WHIST:** Last Friday of the Month.

TRADITIONAL MUSIC SESSION last Sunday of every month @ 7 pm

TABLE TENNIS every Monday 8pm. Beginners welcome.

QUIZ: Friday 18th October £5 entry Tea/Coffee or bring your own. All proceeds to St Clare's Hall.

Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall
Thursdays at 8.00pm sharp-9.30pm approx.

Jackpot £1,000 in **48** Numbers

Line £15 House £25

Scoop £25 Line House £50

Game 9 if Jackpot not won, House £50



**TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
8TH SEPTEMBER 2019**

Very Rev Fr Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's
Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LA 94459560
(In emergencies Fr Declan Mulligan P.P. Aghagallon 92651214)

Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy:

Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm.

Office Closed 1.00 - 2.00pm

Secretary: Máire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278

Email: glenavy@downandconnor.org

Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com

www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish

GOSPEL NOTES

This is one those gospel passages that makes us stop in our tracks. The idea of hating anybody is far removed from the message of Jesus, so how come today he tells us that we cannot be his followers if we do not first hate our parents and other family members?


It might be helpful to remember that in the ancient world hyperbole or exaggerated speech was an accepted way of making a point and that clearly Jesus is using hyperbole when he says this. Still it seems like a counter productive way to present your case. The parables that follow this hard saying help to explain exactly what Jesus meant. He wants everyone to know that being his follower cannot be viewed as some kind of optional extra and so, before we decide for him, we should sit down and think about what it entails and then ask ourselves, 'Am I prepared to commit myself to that extent?'

REFLECTION

Our following of Christ can easily become an unreflective adherence to a faith into which we were born. We may continue going to Mass merely out of habit or even fear. However, today it is as though Jesus turns around to us and says: 'This is not for the fainthearted. Following me is not about having things easy with God on your side. It is all about forgetting yourself and that, my friend, is a hard road.' From time to time we need to be shocked out of our complacency and today's invitation to make our own the wisdom of Jesus aims to do just that.



Sean Goan
Let the Reader Understand

	09 September	15 September	Mass Intentions
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am		
Tue		7.00pm Rose Mallon	
Wed		9.30am	
Thur	9.30am		
Fri	9.30am		
Sat		6.00pm vigil John & Magdalene Henry	
Sun	9.30am Special Intention & Joseph McGarry 12.00 noon Gerald Doherty	10.45am	

REQUIESCENT IN PACE

RECENTLY DECEASED: John Cormican, Fr Samuel Kerr.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bridget Trowlen, Marie Therese McCann, Hilary McKavanagh, Liam Brankin, Edward McMaster, William John Lavery, Jean McComb, Frank McGarry, Rose Mallon,

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:

Maureen & Ben Small, The Henderson Family

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Fr Colm makes the First Friday visits to the sick and housebound in the northern and southern halves of the parish on alternate months. This month, September, Fr Colm visited the Southern half on First Friday week and he will visit the Northern half in October on First Friday week. In the case of an emergency i.e. a sudden death, if Fr Colm is not available, please contact Fr Declan Mulligan. PP Aghagallon Parish. Tel. 92651214.

MATER DEI FOLK GROUP resumes singing at the 10.45 am Sunday Masses on 1st September 2019. New members are always welcome. There are no auditions and you do not have to be able to read music. So, if you can sing a bit or play an instrument, please come and join us. Speak to any Folk group member for further information.

THE GLENNAVY BRANCH OF APOSTOLIC WORK will meet on Tuesday 10th Sept at 7.30pm

FAITH & FRIENDSHIP. The local Faith & Friendship group will next meet in Glenavy Methodist Church Hall at 8pm on Tuesday 10th September 2019. All are invited to share their faith with members of other local churches with refreshment afterwards. For more information please call Clive Duffield 07967704592.

COLLECTIONS 01/09/2019
WEEKLY OFFERING: £2,445
Thank you for your generosity

PARISH DRAW WEEK 18
Winner £100: Marie Louise Kane Nutts Corner
Winner: £50: Linda Bourquin Glenavy
Congratulations to our winners

FAITH AND LIFE CONVENTION 2019: Online bookings for this year's **Faith and Life Convention** are now open. We hope that you will be able to join us on Saturday, 28 September 2019 at Our Lady and St Patrick's College in Belfast.



This year our theme for the convention is Faith in a Better World and our Keynote Speaker will be Michel Camdessus. Michel is the former Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and a member of the Pontifical Council on Justice and Peace. Our keynote speech will be followed by a panel discussion where together we can reflect on the variety of issues that we face in society today.

The highlight of the day for many people is the variety of workshops on offer and this year we have an impressive line-up of local and international speakers. The convention is an excellent opportunity to network with others from the Diocese and beyond. We look forward to welcoming you and having an enjoyable day where we can encourage one another to be people of active faith in our society.

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 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. Programme commences 24th October 2019. St Mary's 25 Marquis Street, Belfast BT1 1JJ. Email: rcia@downandconnor.org or contact Fionnuala Tel 07702073895

ST FRANCIS PRIMARY SCHOOL FEUMORE: The parish trustees have sought and secured planning approval for two buildings on the site of the former Primary School, 14a Feumore Road. Ballinderry. These sites have now been put up for sale. All enquires should be made to: Bill McCann Estate Agents. 66 Antrim Street, Lisburn BT28 1AU. Tel. 92666222. The proceeds from this sale will be applied to the reduction the parish debt which currently stands at £750,000.

ROSARY FEUMORE: Holy Hour with rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed in Feumore Mass Centre each Sunday at 7pm. Rosary in **Mater Dei Crumlin** at 6.30pm on Tuesday. All welcome.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO: Rosary for Life, Faith and Love takes place on the last Friday of each month at 7pm at St Joseph's Church.

ADORATION

Feumore	Mon	11.00am—12noon	St James	Mon	5.00pm—8.00pm
Mater Dei	Wed	10.00am—12noon and 5.00pm—9.00pm			
St Joseph's	Thurs	6.00pm—9.00pm			

Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed in Mater Dei 6.30pm on Wednesday

THE GLENNAVY BRANCH OF APOSTOLIC WORK are holding their Annual Afternoon Tea in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 6th October at 3pm sharp till 5pm approx. Entertainment, Ballot, Tombola, Tickets: £5 available from any member or contact 02894422852 or 02892651265

PARISH SUMMER TREASURE HUNT:

Today Sunday 8th September . Registration and Clues to be collected at Mater Dei Car Park 4-5pm.
 Finishing at St Clare's Community Hall followed by results and light supper
 £10 per car



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION OF REPARATION as requested by Our Lady of Fatima will take place in St Joseph's Church, Killough, Chapel Street, BT30 7QJ on **Saturday 7th September**: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8.30am; Sacrament of Reconciliation from 8.45 to 9.45am; Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 9.00am; Meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary at 9.30am, Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 10.00am.

GROWTH IN PRAYER AND REFLECTIVE LIVING: In association with the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, Glasgow. This is a one-year programme (30 x 2.5 hour sessions) for those who want a closer relationship with God, who struggle with prayer, who want to make choices that are in tune with God's dream for the world. No expertise in prayer or reflection is required. The first session is on Monday, September 16th beginning at 7 pm. For further details, please contact Drumalis during office hours (02828 272196) or email maura@drumalis.co.uk

A MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND offers married couples (of all ages) private time to rekindle the joy of their love. The next Weekend (residential) will be from 13th to 15th September in the Dro-mantine Conference Centre, Newry and The Lake Hotel Killamey, on 15th -17th November 2019. For info. and to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call [+44 770 281 2321](tel:+447702812321) or [+353 87 784 0408](tel:+353877840408).

RACHELS VINEYARD RETREATS are a beautiful healing opportunity for anyone struggling with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat weekend is a very specific process designed to help you experience the love, mercy, compassion and forgiveness of God. It allows you to surface and release repressed feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief. It enables suffering souls to find a voice and transform the pain of the past into love and hope. Each weekend is held in a confidential setting. Our next weekend will be held in June. To find out more information contact Marian on 07814 748 744 or e mail marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk or call Sheila on 0790 286 9646. You can also look up www.rachelsvineyardni.org. All queries are treated in strictest confidence.

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED! Volunteer IT/HR Admins, Montessori/Primary/Secondary Teachers, Physios, Accountants, Social Workers...all required for funded placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas exp required, no upper age limit! Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email apply@viatoreschristi.com for more info.

ADOPTION: Family Care Adoption Services is presently seeking to recruit adoptive families for babies and young children. For free information pack please contact us at: **Telephone:** 028 71 368592 or 028 90 691133. Monday to Friday 9 – 5 p.m. **Email:** anne.ohagan@familycaresociety.org **Website:** www.familycaresociety.co.uk Thank You

"GET TOGETHER", a community of bereaved families, invites you to our "From Inside Out" Conference on 19-9-19 at Riddel Hall, Queen's University, Belfast: Featuring first hand insights from children and families on grief and trauma recovery, and Keynote address by Brid Carroll, Psychotherapist and Chair of the Irish Childhood Bereavement Network. If your work or volunteering brings you into contact with bereaved children, young people and families, this conference is for you. CPD certificates issued. **For more information or to register, click here:** <https://www.cruse.org.uk/from-inside-out-conference>