**SPRED:** Our parish **SPRED** meetings will begin again, Wednesday 25th September, 6:45 - 8:30 p.m., in Ballymacrickett P.S. If you would like to join us, either as a new member or volunteer with the group, we will be delighted to see you.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Emergency Helpline Crumlin/Aldergrove 07754427088

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

<u>GH TYRES AND AUTO SERVICES:</u> 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General Service and repairs Tel:94423113.

**<u>ST JOSEPH'S GAC LOTTO:</u>** Thursday 19 Sept Winning Numbers 13-18-20-25 Jackpot £2,100 No Winners. 3 Numbers Fionnuala Brennan, Tom Brown, M Killen. <u>**LUCKY DIPS**</u> Sinead Brown, Sheila Brankin, Evelyn McCabe. Next week's Jackpot £2,150. Visit the club's new website and enter the lotto draw at wwwglenavygac.com. where you can also keep up to date with club affairs.

**<u>REGISTERED CHILDMINDER</u>** available for pick-up from Ballymacricket P.S. Contact Shaneen 07713489575

## 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 September6.45pm—7.45pm. £5 drop-in or £25 for 6 weeks. **BOOK CLUB** every third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm FRIENDSHIP GROUP will every Wednesday 10.30am. ST CLARE'S BOWLING CLUB started 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. TABLE 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



# Gospel Comment

For those who think that the message of Jesus is altogether too other worldly today's parable will come as something of a surprise, and to others who like the idea of a pious Jesus not concerned with the things of this world it will come as a shock.

On the face of it Jesus appears to be encouraging some sharp practice when he tells of the man who, on being fired by his employer, tries to make sure that he will be able to call in a few favours when he leaves. We may take it for granted that the point of the story is not that Jesus wants to encourage dishonesty but rather he wants his followers to be aware that they live in the real world and that they should always seek to make the best of the situation in which they find themselves. The context for this parable is the right use of money and Jesus is unambiguous when it comes to this. Money, tainted as it is, still has a place in the life of believers: it should be used to help the poor.

## Reflection

Today's readings show two sides of witnessing to the faith. On the one hand Amos is trenchant in his public criticism of the scandalous behaviour of his fellow citizens. His stand will get him into serious difficulties with the authorities and, according to some traditions, his death. Paul, on the other hand, wants believers to witness to their faith by the good, quiet lives they lead. As a new movement he understands that more people will be attracted to it by the good example of its members. The same tension can and does exist for believers today. There is a great need for the fearless prophetic witness which calls attention to the oppressive injustices of our time. Equally, Christians must also show by their lives that they are not simply political agitators but people committed to the values of the kingdom of God. When money becomes our master then God takes a poor second place and the consequences of that choice are everywhere to be seen.

Sean Goan Let the Reader understand

# DO THIS IN MEMORY 1ST COMMUNION PROGRAMME.

The first meeting of this programme takes place next Sunday 29 September. Its known as Enrolment Sunday when all the children and their families are invited to attend Sunday Mass. The children from Ballymacrickett P.S. are asked to attend 9.30am Mass in St Joseph's Church and the children from St Joseph's P.S. to attend 10.45am Mass in Mater Dei Church. The total number of children is about 130. There will also be a few children who attend other schools. It would be of immense help if a significant number of the regular congregations were to attend one of the other two Masses in the parish on this particular weekend. Thank you for your co-operation.

	23 September	29 September	Mass Intentions	
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei		
Mon	9.30am			
Tue		7.00pm Winnie McCusker	TC TC XC	
Wed		9.30am George McGarry	i j N Ab	
Thur	9.30am			
Fri	9.30am			
Sat		6.00pm <sub>vigil</sub> Brendan (Bernard) McGivern (1st)		
Sun	9.30am ртм 12.00 noon	10.45am DTIM Herbert Holdich & Raymond Mooney		

## **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

**MONTH'S MIND:** Eilish O'Brien (Month's Mind Mass12noon Saturday 28th September in St James Church) **ANNIVERSARIES**: Joseph Dean, Terry Murray, John Donnelly, John Loughan, Hannah Falloon, Winnie McCusker, George McGarry, Mark Frazer, Bobby & Nuala McLarnon, Elizabeth Courtney,

**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:

Mary & Phillip Curran, Special Intention EH, MC, BC

**THE GLENAVY 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

**<u>ALTAR SERVER CLUB</u>**: Would your son or daughter like to join the Glenavy and Killead altar Server Club? Formal training will be provided. Fun activities throughout the year. This is a great opportunity for your child to be involved in this ministry. This ministry is open to any child in year 5 upwards. Please leave contact details with the Parish Office.

**<u>KILLULTAGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY</u>** will resume on September 30th at 8.00pm in St John's Church Hall, (new venue) This month's Speaker: Elizabeth McBride. The Topic: Gartree.

	PARISH DRAW WEEK 20		
	Winner £500: Winner £100: Winner: £50:	Paul Clenaghan Ballinderry Upp Clare Cormican Glenavy Bernard Henry Glenavy	
Thank you for your generosity	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.

**POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD REGISTRATION** for all new Year 13's Tuesday 24th September 7pm to 8pm St Joseph's Annex Glenavy. Any parents of adults over 18 who would like to help with the program please attend. Or contact Brenda 07928979292 or email brendag2308@hotmail.co.uk or Parish office.

**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	1—9.00pm					
St Joseph's	Thurs	6.00pm—9.00pm						
Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed in Mater Dei 6.30pm on Wednesday								

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST CRUMLIN/ALDERGROVE.: The next meeting will take place on Monday 23

September at 7 pm in Mater Dei Parochial House

#### EXTRAORDINARY MISSION MONTH [EMM] OCTOBER 2019 THEME -"BAPTISED AND SENT" - HOLD THE DATES!:

This October through an Extraordinary Mission Month declared by Pope Francis, the Diocese invites us to embrace the vision of a Missionary Church by celebrating the contribution of our Diocese to the missions abroad. To mark EMM2019 we will be holding 2 major events in October –

**Saturday 19 October** - 9.30am - 4.30pm A Conference and Celebration of D&C Missionaries Abroad and at Home in St Mary's University College, Falls Rd, Belfast

**Sunday 20 October** – 2.30 pm Mission Sunday Mass - Together We Are Mission - St Patrick's Church, Chapel Hill, Lisburn.

Throughout the coming year, we plan to acknowledge and celebrate the work of the many hundreds of Missionaries who left their homes and parishes to engage in Missionary endeavour around the world. If you have a relative or friend who is currently a Missionary abroad or during their lifetime has served as a Missionary, we would really appreciate if you would please give their details including Name, Religious Order, Dates etc.. to your Parish Office or email [missions@downandconnor.org] before 23rd September 2019.

**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 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7 pm. For further details, please contact Drumalis during office hours (02828 272196) or email <u>maura@drumalis.co.uk</u>

<u>A MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND</u> 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 Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry and The Lake Hotel Killarney, on 15th -17th November 2019. For info. and to book, visit <u>www.marriageencounter.ie</u> or call <u>+44 770 281 2321</u> or +353 <u>87 784</u> <u>0408</u>.

**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 <u>www.rachelsvineyardni.org</u>. 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: <u>https://</u> www.cruse.org.uk/from-inside-out-conference