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

<u>**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**</u> Emergency Helpline Crumlin/Aldergrove 07754427088. Volunteers urgently required.

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

ST JOSEPH'S GAC LOTTO: Thursday **12/12/2019** Winning Numbers **3-17-19-20**. No Winner. Jackpot £600 **No Winner** . 3 Numbers .**None <u>LUCKY DIPS</u> : Mark Trowlen, Patricia Henry, Tom Kearney.** Visit the club's new website and enter the lotto draw at www.glenavygac.com. where you can also keep up to date with club affairs.

BLESSED TRINITY COLLEGE warmly invites you to our Open Evenings on Tuesday 14th January and Wednesday 15th January. From 6.00pm -6.45pm, Principal's at 7pm followed by a tour of the Somerton Road Site.

<u>ST DOMINIC'S OPEN DAY</u>, Saturday January 11th 2020, 9.30- 1.00 pm Principal's Address – 9.30 and 11 am Primary 6 and 7 pupils are welcome.

<u>ST LOUISE'S OPEN NIGHT</u>—Thursday 9th January 2020. Principal's Address 4.30pm and 6.30pm.Primary 6 &7 boys and girls are welcome to attend.

ALL SAINTS GLEN ROAD OPEN NIGHT Tuesday 7th January 2020. principal's Address 7pm & 8Pm <u>ST DOMINIC'S OPEN DAY</u>, Saturday January 11th 2020, 9.30- 1.00 pm Principal's Address – 9.30 and 11 am Primary 6 and 7 pupils are welcome.

<u>ST PATRICK'S ACADEMY LISBURN</u>—open night Thursday 16th January 2020. Principal's address 7.30pm

MERCY COLLEGE Open Night Thursday 16th January 2020

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. If anyone has free time and would like their name included on the Cater Team list please contact Margaret 07517779334

 COFFEE MORNING every Friday 10.00am—11.00am
 YOGA WITH EIMEAR Monday 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 every Wednesday 10.30am.

 ST CLARE'S BOWLING CLUB
 Monday's 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

 CHARITY FUN WHIST
 Fri 3rd January at 8.00pm

 TRADITIONAL MUSIC SESSION
 last Sunday of every month @ 7 pm

 TABLE TENNIS
 every Monday 8pm. Beginners welcome.





THE DEEP END-DISPLACED

'One of the unsettling things about my journey, mentally, physically, and emotionally, was that I wasn't sure when or where it was going to end.' (from *A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier* by Ishmael Beah.

We like to imagine, sometimes, what the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph were like. What was their daily routine? How did they eat, work and pray together? There are very few details in the Gospels about Jesus' early years, other than the accounts of his birth and one story detailing the time he went missing in Jerusalem and was found in the Temple.

But in today's Gospel we get an insight into some of the early challenges faced by this little family. While Jesus was still small, Joseph was urged in a dream to escape with the family to Egypt as Jesus' life was under threat. Can you imagine what that experience was like for them—leaving their home and fleeing to another country, not knowing when, or if, it would be safe to return home? Sadly, millions of people in our world do not have to imagine this type of experience—they live it every day. Like many others, the Holy Family were, for some time, forced to leave their home country due to persecution—this is the very definition of a refugee or displaced person.

This painful human experience was at the very heart of the family experience of Jesus himself. Later in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells us that when we welcome strangers, we welcome Jesus himself. Compassion and welcome for strangers, particularly those who are vulnerable, was a key element of Jesus' life and ministry. It should be central to ours, too.

Trína Doherty Intercom

	30 December	5 January	Mass Intentions		
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei			
Mon	NO MASS				
Tue		NO MASS			
Wed		NEW YEARS DAY 11.AM May & Pat McKeown			
Thur	9.30am Paul Saunders Month's Mind				
Fri	9.30am Vinnie McAreavey				
Sat		6.00pm vigil Brian Conway (1st Anniversary)			
Sun	9.30am Julia McKavanagh 12.00 noon	10.45am Deborah Hoey, Annie & Jimmy McGuckian			

NEW YEARS DAY SOLEMNITY OF MARY HOLY MOTHER OF GOD World Day of Peace

Please note Mass on Wednesday 1st January

(New Years Day) will be at 11.00am in Mater Dei Church Crumlin

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Monday 6 January

Holy day of Obligation

Mass Times: St Joseph's 9.30am Mater Dei 7.00pm



	PARISH DRAW WEEK 34		
COLLECTIONS 22/12/2019	Winner: £100: Winner: £50	Mark Breen Charles Kelly	Ballinderry Upp Nutts Corner
WEEKLY OFFERING: £2,566 Thank you for your generosity	Congratulations to our winners		

REOUIESCANT IN PACE

MONTH'S MIND: Paul Saunders

ANNIVERSARIES: Tom Clarken, George Brankin, Rosaleen McClean, Rosetta & Donald Jordan, Cecelia & Jimmy Doone, May & Pat McKeown, Betty McOuillan, Pat & Eileen McGrandles, Michael Lavery

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:

Special Intentions: Sarah & Jim McGarry, PA, MC, MB

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET will be recited at 6.30pm on Wednesdays in Mater Dei Church

PERPETUAL NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP.: A Perpetual Novena is celebrated at the 7.00pm Mass, Mater Dei Church each Tuesday evening.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO, Glenavy, on the last Friday of each month at 7.00pm

GLENAVY AND KILLEAD PARISH invite you to prepare for the Liturgical Year A spend a day with Sr Pamela Thimmes OSC sharing her experience and spirituality on Mat-thew's Gospel, in St Joseph's Primary School Hall on Saturday 25th January 2020 from 10 am to 4pm. Lunch and light refreshments will be provided A donation will be gratefully accepted Book your place by Friday 10th January with the parish office T: 028 94422278; E:glenavy@downandconnor.org

THE LIVING CHURCH OFFICE will host the second of three Development Days for leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word on, Saturday 25th of January, here in our offices at, 120, Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. The day will commence at 9.30am and finish at 3.30pm. Development Days are designed to nourish, support, and resource, all those involved in leading Children's Liturgy of the Word in their parish. Due to the popularity of these days, early registration is advised. As usual, there will be time for prayer, input, discussion and activities. There is no charge for the day and lunch and all necessary resources will be provided. To book your place, please contact Caren at c.collins@downandconnor.org or ring the Living Church Office on 02890690920

HEALTHCARE VISITOR TRAINING: Are you a lay person who might be interested in healthcare visitation either within your local parish context or within a chaplaincy context? Are you a lay person who visits healthcare facilities as part of your church responsibilities? Do you sometimes feel unsure what to do, what to say or how to react to the different pastoral situations you meet or could meet in a healthcare setting? Please consider attending training for healthcare visitors: Venue: Edgehill House, 9 Lennoxvale, Belfast BT9 5BY; Dates: Thursday 23rd to Thursday 19th March 2020, 7-9pm. Fee: £75. Contact Parish Office for details.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE: The next blood donation sessions (s) will be held in St John's Hall, 5 Lurgan Road, Crumlin, Thursday 9th January 2020, 2-4pm & 5.15—8.00pm. In order to maintain the vital supply of blood tom our hospitals, the NI Blood Transfusion Service needs the support not only of existing donors but also of new donors.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available on 1st Friday, 3rd January at 6.00pm in St Joseph's Church.

<u>RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS</u> are a beautiful healing opportunity for anyone struggling with the spiritual or emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend helps you to experience the love, mercy, compassion and forgiveness of God. It enables suffering souls to find peace and transform the pain of the past into a future full of hope. For information call Marian in complete confidence on 07814 748 744 or e mail marianrvni@yahoo.co.uk and check us out on Facebook.

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