PARISH BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: A member of the Bethany group may be contacted on Tel 0774603279

<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 GRAVEYARD</u>: Please be aware that dogs are not permitted within the graveyard at any time, with the exception of registered guide dogs. Notices to this effect have been posted at the entrances. The graveyard is not a public park. It is private property, a sacred place, blessed and consecrated.

<u>STJOSEPH'S GAC:</u> Lotto Results Thursday 18th. March 2021 Winning Numbers: 15-16-24-25 The Jackpot stands at £3,000. 2nd. Jackpot £1300 No winners 3 Numbers winners £10: David Honeyford. Lucky Dip winners 3x£10: James Nelson-Marie Anne Forester-Mary Burke. Next week's Jackpot £3,000. 2ND. £1350. The Jackpot is frozen at £3,000. The draw each week is for £3,000 until it is won. Then the second jackpot comes into play. A nice wee earner. David Honeyford witnessed this week's draw. May we encourage you and your family to KEEP SAFE during these unsafe times. Thank you for your continuing support, it is much appreciated. The Lotto draws can be followed on the club Facebook page on Thursday evenings. Lotto Coordinator: Terry Cormican 07742949111.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Care assistants (Permanent /Temporary/Bank). Naroon House Private Residential Home, Aldergrove, Crumlin. Please phone the Home Manager for Application Forms9am – 5pm Monday to Friday on 02894452204.

<u>GET GROWING</u>! Come and collect your free seeds and seed trays from St Clare's Community Hall on Saturday 3rd April between 12noon—2pm. First come, first served. Please be mindful of Covid restrictions when collecting. Funded by the LCCC Covid Recovery Fund.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

<u>CRUMLIN/ALDERGROVE CONFERENCE</u> Emergency helpline **07754427088**. Crumlin/Aldergrove SVP conference continues to help the needy and vulnerable in our local community during the Covid-19 pandemic and those needs have very sadly been heightened by the pandemic. As a community-based charity, we rely solely on charitable donations, but owing to restrictions the community has been unable to make donations via the red box collections. We would appreciate any and all donations and which can be made via the Crumlin/Aldergrove SVP conference bank account. Account number 41965035, sort code 980460. Your ongoing support is very greatly appreciated during what continues to be a very troubling time for the needy in our community". New volunteers urgently required.

<u>st JOSEPH GLENAVY CONFERENCE</u> continues its local charitable work during the Covid pandemic. Emergency helpline **07784955647**. Our usual red box for collections has not been available to those who support our work due to on-going restrictions. Anyone wishing to make a regular or one-off donation can do so directly 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

<u>AMAZON</u>. You may be aware that when you purchase goods from Amazon, the company gives you the opportunity to select a charity to which Amazon will donate a portion of the value of your purchase. **Drumalis Retreat Centre** in Larne is commended to you for your consideration The retreat centre is a wonderful facility in our Diocese.

PARISH OFFICE.

Please note that the parish office will have limited opening hours for the next few weeks. Monday—Friday 10.00am—12.00noon



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 21ST MARCH 2021

Very Rev Fr Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY 94459560 (In emergencies Fr Declan Mulligan P.P. Aghagallon 92651214) Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy: Monday - Friday 10am - 12.00. Secretary: Maire Rafferty Tel: 028 94422278 Email:glenavy@downandconnor.org Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

GOSPEL NOTES:

The gospel of John is divided into two parts and with this text we approach the end of part one, sometimes known as the Book of Signs. Chapter 12 forms a link between the end of Jesus' public life and the beginning of his passion. The scene is Jerusalem which is full of pilgrims arriving for the feast of Passover. Many of these are Greek-speaking Jews arriving from all around the Roman empire and their request to see Jesus is a reminder that 'seeing' in the fourth gospel is another way of speaking of 'believing in'. On the cross Jesus is drawing all people to himself and inviting a faith response to the love of God that he has manifested. His death is like a seed of grain falling into the ground where it perishes but out of it comes growth and a rich harvest. This is the way of love and all who would follow Jesus must walk this path. By so doing they participate in God's ultimate victory over evil.

REFLECTION

Jeremiah looked forward to a day when we would all know God, 'the least no less than the greatest'. Some six hundred years later what Jeremiah was speaking about unfolded in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. With the pilgrims in the gospel we are invited to say: 'We wish to see Jesus' and to recognise that in the events of Holy Week our request is granted. Now once again Jesus is revealed to us, not as a distant figure from the past who suffered for doing good, but as the living one who even now is calling us to new life. In him we are being offered nothing less than intimate friendship with God. Let us pray with Jesus, 'aloud and in silent tears' that we will be humble enough to accept this transforming gift.

> Sean Goan Let the Reader Understand



22ND MARCH -28TH MARCH MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 22nd March **Tuesday 23rd March** Wednesday-24th March-Thursday – 25th March Friday 26th March Saturday 27th Mar Sunday 28th March

John Kelly PP Kathleen Marsden (1st) PP Public Mass resumes 6.00pm PP 9.30am 10.45 Noon



Jimmy & Elizabeth Heatley Angela Winters (Month's Mind) Seamus Doherty & Jim Doherty

FIRST READING: Jer31:31-34 . 'Learn to know the Lord' is a good aim for the last week of Lent. We have a God who 'writes love on our hearts' and who 'never calls our sins to mind'.

SECOND READING: Heb 5:7-9. Our wordless pravers of 'loud and silent tears' are counted by God,

GOSPEL: Jn 12:20-30 We are given the seed of eternal life that is richly harvested in God's 'hour has come' as all people are drawn to his presence.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Paul (Damien) Dalton, Denville (Taff) Brewer, Margaret Donnelly, Bobby Digiagomo (USA)

ANNIVERSARIES: Kathleen Marsden (1st) Jimmy Magee, John Gallagher, Margaret McGarrell, James Doone Snr, Paul Loney, Joseph Heatley, Annie Deacon, James & Maria McGivern, Rosaleen O'Hara, Andrew Murphy, John Murphy, Maud Cardwell, Dan McGarry, John Kelly

BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Family of God those recently Baptised: Darcy James Henry

SANCTUARY LAMP: Special Intention,

PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES: The boxes of Parish Offering envelopes for the new financial year beginning 4th April 2021 are now available for collection from Mater Dei and St Joseph Churches. Please call at the Church to collect them. It would also help if volunteers would be willing to deliver in some areas of the parish. Please contact the parish office.

Parishioners will be aware that income to fund the Parish has dropped significantly over these past twelve months. Yet maintenance of the parish infrastructure continues, as does the demand to try to continue to reduce parish debt which sits at £450,000.

If you wish to switch your method of support from using Parish Envelopes to a Bank Transfer, forms to assist you are available at the back of the Churches or from the parish office.

TROCAIRE BOXES:

The focus of Trócaire Lenten campaign this year are the peoples of South Sudan. The two images on the Trócaire Box are of two families from that area. Apart from trying to cope with Covid-19 the people are surviving great poverty and the consequences of a brutal war. It is a particularly grim situation in which our contributions can achieve a great deal. Please pick up a Trócaire Box from the back of Mater Dei and St Joseph's Churches

COLLECTIONS 14/03/2021

£804 WEEKLY OFFERING: MONTHLY STIPEND: £211

DONATION TOWARDS WEBCAM INSTALLATION: £50, £250, £50, £50, £200, £25, £250, £250, £1000, £1,000, £150 Thank you for your generosity

RESUMPTION OF THE CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASS

The celebration of public Mass will recommence on Friday 26 March with the 9.30am Mass in St Joseph's.

Weekend Masses on Palm Sunday 27/28 March will therefore be at the usual times. We will need to continue with the practice of booking seats for each Mass and will also need teams of parishioners to greet and seat those who attend. These -'Co-vid stewards' will also help sanitise the church after Mass.

We must have volunteers to fill these roles if we are to celebrate Mass safely. Mass cannot be provided unless stewards are present.

In particular we need volunteers for the 12 noon Mass in St Joseph's. If you would be willing help please contact the parish office as soon as possible this week.

Booking for weekend Mass.

In order to attend weekend Masses it is necessary to book a seat(s). Please telephone the Parish Office on Thursday or Friday only between 10am -12noon.



Thank God and sincere thanks also to our many listeners and supporters as RADIO MARIA IRE-LAND continues to grow. As an Irish-run Cathólic Talk-Radio Station we eniov commercial free broadcasting - Praver, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – do join our growing faith family! Here's how you can listen:

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Welcome to our Family – tune in, listen and join in the faith conversation!

PARISH WEBCAM: St Joseph's Web Cam

A sincere thank you to all who have contributed so generously towards the cost of installing a Web-Cam facility at St Joseph's. This installation can now proceed and notice will be given when it has been commissioned. Consideration will then be given to a similar installation in Mater Dei Church.

PARTSH DRAW

Week 31 Winner £100: Jim Savage, Glenavy Winner £50 Michael McAlister, Glenavy Congratulations to our winners . Thank you to all members for your continued support **<u>CRUMLIN YOUTH FOR CHRIST</u>:** Crumlin Youth for Christ is a cross community Christian outreach to the young people of Crumlin. This is challenging work and requires great faith and commitment by the volunteers led by Dean Moore. We may not feel able to actively join them but we can help them with necessary resources. CYFC are looking for 20 people to commit to giving £20 a month for the next year. If you could help, please contact our parish representative to CYFC, Clive Duffield on 07967704592

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