

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

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 GRAVEYARD: 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.

ST JOSEPH'S GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 25 March 2021 Winning Numbers: 1-4-5-11 The Jackpot stands at £3,000. 2nd. Jackpot £1350 No winners 3 Numbers winners £10: Paul O'Brien, Collette O'Hagan. Lucky Dip winners 3x£10: Elizabeth Coyle, Orla Mc Cambridge, Antoinette Small. Next week's Jackpot £3,000. 2nd. £1400. 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. Timmy 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 Forms 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday on 02894452204.

GET GROWING! 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

CRUMLIN/ALDERGROVE CONFERENCE 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.

ST JOSEPH GLENNAVY CONFERENCE 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

AMAZON. 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



PALM SUNDAY 28TH 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.

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THE JOURNEY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Our opening reading from Mark's Gospel captures the elation of the crowds who welcome Jesus in Jerusalem. They spread greenery on the road in front of him, they lift their voices in praise singing, 'Hosanna, blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!' But their hope and loyalty is short lived, as we discover in our reading of the Passion. Jesus is left almost alone to face humiliation and death. His followers have heard his radical message of reversal and upheaval, but when it comes down to it, the challenge is too much. We are told 'they all deserted him and ran away'. While Peter follows at a distance, he is soon denying he even knows him. Soon the crowds are shouting for Jesus to be crucified.

We are very familiar with the Passion Gospel and it can be tempting to allow ourselves to tune out, particularly when it comes to the unpleasant parts. We do not like to think of ourselves as part of the mob shouting, 'Crucify him!'. Yet if we enter fully into the experience, we can see ourselves in the story. When things are going well, it is easy to praise God and shout, 'Hosanna!', and promise we will not lose faith. There are other times we fall asleep, become complacent. And then there are days when we struggle, when we are confused or do not know what God expects of us or whether we are able to handle the difficult times. We pull away from God. The different disciples display this range of human reactions and emotions.

This week, Holy Week, we are the disciples walking with Jesus on a journey that leads to the Cross. And yet here at the Cross, we find Mary Magdalene and the other female disciples and Joseph of Arimathea. We know the story is not over for these disciples, or for Peter and the others.

The journey of discipleship is just beginning.



29 March –4th April

St Joseph's

Mater Dei

Mon 9.30am Mass

Tues 7.00pm Mass

Wed 9.30am Mass

Thurs 7.00pm Mass of Our Lords Supper
7.00pm Mass of Our Lord's Supper

Fri 7.00pm Stations of the Cross
3.00pm The Passion

Sat 10.00am Morning Prayer
9.00pm Easter Vigil

Sun 9.30 am Mass 12.00 Mass
10.45am Mass Feumore 10.45am Mass
St James 9.00am Mass

RECENTLY DECEASED: John O'Brien Gerard Rogan, Bernadette Magerr

Months Minds: Angela Winters, Esther O'Neill.

ANNIVERSARIES: John Doone, Joseph Doone, John Heatley, Jimmy & Elizabeth Heatley, Patricia Devereux, Seamus Doherty, Trevor Winters, Margaret McGarry, Gerard Brazier.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Family of God those recently Baptised: Ella Ann Foster, Reigan Patrick Alexander McCusker.

SANCTUARY LAMP: Patricia Devereux: Emmett and all young people doing tests for predicted grades.

TROCAIRE BOXES:

The focus of Trocaire Lenten campaign this year are the peoples of South Sudan. The two images on the Trocaire 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 return your Trocaire Box within the next two weeks

COLLECTIONS 21/03/2021

WEEKLY OFFERING: £1101 MONTHLY STIPEND: £651 OTHER COLLECTIONS £225

DONATIONS TOWARDS WEBCAM INSTALLATION:

£50, £1000, £500 £100, £50, £80

Thank you for your generosity. We now have sufficient funds for this installation.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION The Sacrament will be available in St Joseph's Church between 6.00pm-7.00pm on Tuesday 30th and on Wednesday 31st. March

RESUMPTION OF THE CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC MASS

We will need to continue with the practice of booking seats for each Mass. Please telephone the Parish Office on Thursday or Friday only between 10am -12noon. We will also need teams of parishioners to greet and seat those who attend. These Co-vid stewards also help sanitize the church after Mass. 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.

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 Parish income 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.



RADIO MARIA IRELAND

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

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PARISH DRAW

Week 32

Winner £100: **Patricia Mulholland, Glenavy**

Winner £50 **Colette O'Brien Crumlin**

Congratulations to our winners.

Thank you to all members for your continued support

CRUMLIN YOUTH FOR CHRIST: 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