PARISH BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: A member of the Bethany group may be contacted on Tel 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:</u>** Lotto Results Thursday 21st. October 21. Winning Numbers: 1-25-26-28 The Jackpot stands at £3,000.3 Numbers winners None 2<sup>nd</sup> Jackpot £2900.3 x £10: Lucky. Dip winners. Rosemary Mulholland, Clare Cormican, Cathy Norris Next week's Jackpot £3,000.

COFFEE MORNING in St Clare's Hall every Friday @10.00am (Face Masks Mandatory)

<u>CRUMLIN FLOWER CLUB ARE RE-OPENING</u>, Tuesday 26th October, in Crumlin Leisure Centre, 1:30-3:30. We meet monthly, for workshops, demonstrations and chat! New members are always welcome. For further details contact Liz, 07503834721, or just come along to our first meeting

<u>ST CLARE'S HALL:</u> Messy Babies - Art Class 0-2 years-10am, 7th November (£5 per child); The Tiger Who Came for Tea Art Class 3-6 years, 2pm, 7th November (£5 per child); Wine & Paint (Watercolours) evening - 7.30pm, Friday, 12th November £10 per person. Contact Claire to book any of the classes on 07887405964 Christmas Craft Fair-1pm - 4pm, Sunday 28th November

**ANAM CARA NORTHERN IRELAND,** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents living with no surviving children on Tuesday 2nd November at 7pm. This is a free online event. If you would like to join us please get in touch on info@anamcara.ie or 028 95213120

<u>CRUMLIN/ALDERGROVE</u> <u>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

**ST JOSEPH GLENAVY 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.





### GOSPEL

The story of the healing of Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, brings to a close the section of Mark that began in 8:27 (the twenty-fourth Sunday of the year). As we have seen the focus has been on the meaning and demands of discipleship. Just prior to this incident Jesus has spoken to James and John saying to them, '*What do you want me to do for you?*'Now he uses the same words, not to one of his closest companions but to a blind beggar sitting by the road who is crying out to him in desperation. James and John were seeking glory, Bartimaeus just wants to see and to gain that he throws away the only thing he owns, his cloak, lest it impede him in his journey to Jesus. His prayer is granted, he receives perfect sight and his response is to follow Jesus along the way. Jesus is leaving Jericho and heading for Jerusalem and so Bartimaeus is presented to us not simply as a recipient of the healing ministry of Jesus but as the model disciple who begs for sight so that he can follow Jesus to the cross and beyond. In the gospel, sight is often used as a metaphor for faith, being able to see God at work and to follow in the steps of Jesus

### REFLECTION

These readings are talking about salvation. It is one of those words much used in religious conversation but whose exact meaning is unsure for many. Probably most of us think of salvation as having to do with getting to heaven. However, the prophet Jeremiah only thought of God as saving his people in the here and now, offering them comfort, shade and fresh water. For him these are symbols of salvation. The author of Hebrews by contrast was very aware of heaven but for him salvation came about through the solidarity shown by Jesus who became the way we are so that we might become like him. What comes across strongly in the readings is that God never abandons us and that when we speak of salvation, we are speaking of the ways in which God brings us to himself, a process which begins now. Lord, that we may see!

**Donal Neary SJ** 



	25th October	31 October	Mass Intentions
	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	
Mon	9.30am <b>P.I.</b>		
Tue		7.00pm Novena Mass Gus McCotter 6.30 Rosary	IC OF H
Wed		9.30am John Patrick Gallagher	
Thurs	9.30am .Michael Murphy		
Fri	9.30am <b>P.I.</b>		
Sat		6.00pm vigil PP.	
Sun	9.30am Baby Eunan Owens & Family 12.00 noon Stephen McAllister	10.45am Vivienne McCorry (1	st)

ANNIVERSARIES: Peggy Crossey, Brendan Corr, Margaret McCartney, Deirdre & Michael Grogan, Joe Cormican, Jane McCorry, Patrick Hickland, John Henry, Theresa O'Neill, Gus McCotter, John Patrick Gallagher, Michael Murphy, Roseleen McAlernon, Vera McGarry

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** Joe Cormican Patricia Armstrong

## WEEKLY BULLETIN-EMAIL ADDRESS;

If you would like a copy of the weekly bulletin sent to your email address each week, please send your email address to: glenavy@downandconnor.org

## PARISH DRAW 2021/22:

Week 25

Winner: £500W. Joseph Shepherd Lisburn Road Glenavy<br/>Carmel Dunleavy Crumlin Road Glenavy<br/>Winner: £50 Martin McClinton Lough Road Ballinderry Upper<br/>Congratulations to our winners .Thank you to all members for your continued support

# COLLECTIONS 10/10/2021

WEEKLY OFFERING: £1,100 Thank you for your generosity **REMEMBERING THE DECEASED, NOVENMBER DEAD LISTS** Throughout the month of November, the Church traditionally remembers and prays for all those who have died. A November Dead List is a list of the names of deceased relatives and friends for whom you would like Mass offered during November. Like all acts of remembrance, compiling a November Dead List is an act of charity to the faithful departed from those who are still able to assist them. The sheets on which to compile the list and accompanying envelopes are available in the Church Porches. A voluntary offering may be included for the support of the priests who will celebrate the Masses. Return the envelope either in the collection basket or in the box in the Sanctuary. The list of the deceased will be placed in the Sanctuary where they will remain for the Month of November. Mass will be offered each day specifically for all whose names appear on the lists, that they may attain what they long for, eternal rest in God's presence. The blank sheets and envelopes will be located in the porch of each church from Sunday 24 October.

**SYNOD: AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE** on 10th October 2021 Pope Francis opened a new pathway of listening to the People of God that will culminate in a Synod in Rome in 2023. This is an important time as we pray and think together on <u>Com-</u> <u>munion</u>, <u>Participation</u> and <u>Mission</u> in the Church. Bishop Treanor invites us all to enter into a time of prayer so that we too in our Diocese may be attentive to our experience of Church and how the Holy Spirit is prompting and guiding us as we journey on our pathway into the future. We ask you to pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the Church at this time and we look forward to opening a forum of listening in Advent

**YOUTH ALPHA COURSE**; begins Thursday 4 November 2021 from 7.00—8.00pm n Mater Dei Presbytery. Everyone welcomes especially those doing JPII through school or the parish. Contact Brenda on 07928979292.

#### CELEBRATION OF MASS FOR THE DECEASED TEACHERS OF THE DIOCESE OF DOWN AND CONNOR

On Tuesday 2nd November 2021 at 7.30pm in Good Shepherd Church (Holy Rosary Parish) Ormeau Road, Belfast and Wednesday 3rd November 2021 at 7.30pm in All Saints Church Broughshane Road, Ballymena COVID REGULATION Face coverings must be worn by all while entering and exiting Church, and for everyone's well-being we ask that face coverings continue to be worn by all when moving around the Church and at Communion time, and strongly recommended even when seated. For the benefit of those unable to attend, the Masses will be streamed live on 2nd November at: Holy Rosary Parish Live Webcam Stream Tech Media Live Streaming Belfast (churchmedia.tv) and on 3rd November at: https://www.facebook.com/ballymenacatholic/ Please forward by Friday 29th October 2021 the name and school of any teacher of the diocese who has died during the past twelve months to: Fr Edward McGee Director of the Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service 120 Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA Tele: 028 9049 1886 Email: dctrusteeservice@downandconnor.org

**WEB CAMERA'S** Mater Dei Church and St Joseph's are now both equipped with webcameras. All weekend and daily Masses are broadcast as well as other significant Liturgies. The cameras are live 24/7 and are focused on the Sanctuaries and first three seats at the front of each Church. To access the broadcasts, go to <u>www.churchservices.tv</u> select 'Churches, 'N. Ireland', and 'Antrim', then look for an image of 'Mater Dei, Crumlin' or 'Glenavy, St Joseph's'. Click on the image. All Masses are broadcast at the usual times. Mater Dei Church: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm, and Sunday 10.45 am. St Joseph's: Sunday 9.30am and 12.00 noon. The web-cams enable us to attend Mass, however they do not allow us to receive the Eucharist, the Body of Christ. When possible, we should attend Mass in the Church whenever our circumstances permit in order to receive Holy Communion. "ALL MY CHILDREN: GENESIS AND EXODUS. WHO SAID FAMILY WAS EASY?" with Sr Pam Thimmes OSC. An eight part Zoom series exploring the theme of family in the Books of Genesis and Exodus. The course will take place from 7:00 pm – 9:15 pm on 9 Sept, 30 Sept, 14 Oct, 28 Oct, 11 Nov, 25 Nov, 13 Jan and 27 Jan.

For further information, please contact 028 28276455/28272196 during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) or **email <u>drumalis@btconnect.com</u>** Details are also available on the Drumalis website -<u>http://www.drumalis.co.uk</u>

**<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

**<u>OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED</u>!** 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