

St Clare's Hall, What's on?— Monday Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Table Tennis 7pm – 8pm, Pilates 7pm – 9pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm **Tuesday**, Brazier School of Dance 4.45pm – 7.45pm, Pickle Ball 8pm – 10pm **Wednesday** Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Friendship Group 10.30am – 12.30pm, Yoga 5.45pm – 7.45pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm (Matches) **Thursday** Pilates 10am – 11am, Judo 6pm – 7pm, Bingo 8pm – 9.30pm **Friday** Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Mums & Tots 9.30am – 11.30am, Coffee Morning 10 – 11.30am, **Saturday** Slimming World 7.45–11am, Flip Fusion 5pm–7pm **Monthly Events** Book club 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm – 9pm, Traditional night 1st Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Friday 7pm – 9pm. **St Clare's Bowling Club** We welcome new members, young or old on Mondays & Wednesday at 8pm. Come along and have fun! Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's **Contact 07517779334** or stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com

Ciorcal Comhár Starting Thursday 5 June in St Clare's Hall, 2 – 4pm. If interested, please contact Máire 07476828442.

Thank you to Denise of the Gate Restaurant & all who supported the Sunday Night Session, namely Mater Dei Folk group, Sunday session Table Tennis & St Clare's Bowling Club. We collected £358 for SVP.

GH Tyres and Auto Services: 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General Service and repairs Tel: 0289 4423 113.

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results **Thursday 8 May** Winning Numbers; -05-06-22-26. Jackpot £4,100 - No Jackpot winner. 2 Lucky Dip Winners £25 each, Dave Burnett, Ella McCumiskey. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £4,150. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Down & Connor Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025: Celebrating the Jubilee Year and our 40th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage: 9/10 – 15/16 July. 7 Night s. Please visit www.downandconnor.org/lourdes for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on (028) 9077 0162 or email lourdes@downandconnor.org Youth Team (9-16th July): applications now open (see website for details).

Anam Cara - are hosting an **Online Bereavement Information Evening on Thursday 22 May @ 7pm**. Guest speaker **Diane Clabby**. Diane has a special interest in working with trauma, loss and bereavement, suicide prevention, intervention and postvention. To register via www.anamcara.ie or 028 95213120.

Sensory Mass at St Colmcille's Church, Ballyhackamore, Belfast, **Saturday 28 June @ 12pm**. We welcome & embrace neurodiverse persons, those suffering from Alzheimer's and Dementia conditions, and those with sensory needs. Please contact n.dunn@downandconnor.org

Cemetery Sunday will take place in Hannahstown Cemetery on Sunday 25 May @ 3pm - there will be no road works on Hannahstown Hill that day. The Rock is 8 June @ 3pm and Tullyrusk is 15 June@ 3pm.

Parish Bingo
IN ST CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL
EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.
JACKPOT £1,000 IN 50 NUMBERS



Fifth Sunday of Easter 18 May 2025

Very Rev Canon Colm McBride PP: St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY Tel: 94 422278 (If unavailable and in an emergency only, contact Fr Declan Mulligan P.P. Aghagallon 92 651214)
Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy: Monday- Friday 10am - 3pm Secretary: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278
Email: glenavy@downandconnor.org
Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish
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Annual Parish Census

Thank you to everyone who took part with our volunteers in the count of attendees at each of the Masses last weekend, Saturday 10 & 11 May 2025. The total numbers with the comparison of last year's figures are detailed below.

2025		2024	
Age Range	Number	Age Range	Number
0—11	106	0—11	80
12—18	52	12—18	67
19—29	27	19—29	34
30—39	39	30—39	41
40—49	84	40—49	77
50—59	114	50—59	134
60—69	165	60—69	175
70—79	102	70—79	102
80—89 +	47	80—89 +	68
Total	736	Total	778

The Annual Blessing of Graves

St Joseph's, Sunday 29/06/25 @ 3.00pm

St James, Sunday 6/07/25 @ 3.00pm, Crumlin Cemetery Sunday 6/07/25@ 4.15pm

19 May — 25 May Mass Intentions

	St.Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm
Tue		7pm John Hanna (Anniv) Mary Loughan (Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30—8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am Terry McMahon (Anniv) Martin Gordon (Special Intention) Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Billy Webb (Anniv) Thanksgiving for Special Intention		
Fri	9.30am Mary P. Brankin (Anniv)		Feumore Mass Centre Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm Mon Adoration
Sat	12pm Wedding	6pm Seamus O'Boyle (1st Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12pm Patrick McCallin (Months Mind)	10.45am Thomas McKeever (Anniv) Mary McKillop (Anniv)	

Recently Deceased Brendan Bradley (Lisburn)

Anniversaries Teresa Douglas (1st), Patricia Morgan, Hugh Kelly, Eileen Clenaghan, John Hanna, Mary Loughan, Terry McMahon, Billy Webb, Mary P Brankin, Kathleen Lavery.

Sanctuary Lamp Joseph Faloon, Deceased members of the O'Neill & Brankin Family

Collection 11/05/25

Weekly Offering: £ 2,778

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2025 – 26 Week 1

Winner £100: Charles Hickland (Ballinderry)

Winner £50: Pat Horner (Ballinderry)

Week 2

Winner £100: Anne & Roisin Brazier (Crumlin)

Winner £50: Brian & Roisin Mulholland (Crumlin)

Congratulations to our winners!

Thank you to everyone who has joined the new Parish Draw.

There is still time to join.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion Congratulations to the girls and boys of St Joseph's P.S., Ballymacrick P.S. & Gaelscoil Ghlean Darach on receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Prayer for those in our parish who are doing Examinations This month of May going into June, is a very important time for many people. It is exam time! It can be a time of anxiety and worry. Much depends on these few weeks the outcome of which can have a huge effect on the direction of the rest of their lives. During the month of May, at the back of each Church in our parish a book is available in which the names of those taking exams may be entered. You can also add the name of their school, college, university, or company, if you wish. This book will be placed in the sanctuary of the Church during each Mass when we will acknowledge all those listed in the book and pray for their success and peace of mind. Our Lady seat of Wisdom, pray for them.

Queen of the May A gentle invitation to reflect on Mary's journey through the Annunciation, the Visitation and the Magnificat and consider Her surrender, trust and faithfulness. Please come and join us for 3 guided weekly sessions throughout May, rooted in contemplation and prayer. All are welcome at Mater Dei Presbytery, on 15 & 22 May @ 7pm. Refreshments to start.

Crumlin Youth for Christ have secured an Exodus team from Letterkenny to come and host the Holiday Bible Club and Youth Drop-Ins. We expect them to arrive on Saturday 24 July and leave on Sunday 3 August. At the minute we are trying to secure accommodation for 8 over 18s (4 girls and 4 guys). If anyone would be happy to host a couple of the team throughout the week please contact Dean Adrian Moore [07856787565](tel:07856787565) or dean@yfcni.org

Down & Connor Diocesan Trust Lisburn Parish Accounts Officer – Part Time based at 27 Chapel Hill, Lisburn, BT28 1EP. The post holder will be required to provide accurate, efficient, confidential, financial support to the Parish Priest & Parish Finance Committee. Permanent appointment requiring 8 hours per week -work pattern to be agreed with Parish Priest, £13.50 gross ph. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: JOB VACANCIES, Community NI website & nijobs.com. Contact Lisburn Parish Office for Application pack. **Closing date** for applications **12 noon on Tuesday 20 May 2025** Down & Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

Saul Sunday – This year Bishop McGuckian will return to celebrate Mass at 3pm on 1 June. He encourages us all to be 'Pilgrims of Hope', joining him at Saul to reflect on Patrick's legacy and welcome the 'Sacred Heart Pilgrim Statue' blessed by Pope Francis to our diocese.

Down and Connor Laudato Si' Group warmly invite you to a conference to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Laudato Si'... **Raising Hope – Living Laudato Si'** Sunday 25 May 2025, 2.30pm – 4.30pm, Clonard Monastery Belfast Key note : Professor John Barry, QUB. Co-Director of the [Centre for Sustainability, Equality and Climate Action](#)

Join over 10,000 Pilgrims | All Ireland Rosary Rally | Knock | Saturday, 7 June at Knock Shrine. Beginning @ 9:30am with a Marian Conference; concluding with a Pentecost Vigil and Healing Service from 8–10pm. For more information: www.allirelandrosaryrally.com.

Web Camera's Mater Dei Church and St Joseph's are both equipped with web-cameras. All Liturgies are broadcast. 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: www.churchservices.tv/stjosephglenavy or www.churchservices.tv/materdeicrumlin. 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.

Making your offering to the church Parishioners are encouraged to make donations to the parish either by using the parish envelopes or by means of bank transfer. It is of great benefit to the parish when we can record donations so that gift aid can be claimed, if applicable. If you would like to donate using envelopes, please contact the parish office. Alternatively, if you are able, you are encouraged to make a monthly offering to the Church by means of a Bank Transfer to: Parish of Glenavy and Killead Sort Code 98 04 60. Account 10654677. The relevant forms are available at the back of the Churches. Both forms need to be completed with one sent to your Bank and the other to the parish office. If you have any queries, please contact in confidence the parish secretary or Canon McBride.. There is a separate account for the Parish Draw.

CCTV Camera's Please be aware that St Joseph's Church and graveyard and Mater Dei Church and grounds are monitored by CCTV.

Sanctuary lamp intentions: A Sanctuary Lamp burns for a week in each of our two 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.

Saint Vincent De Paul—Crumlin Conference (St James) Emergency helpline 07754427088. Donations can be made via the Crumlin SVP conference bank account. Account number 41965035, sort code 980460. **St Joseph's Glenavy Conference SVDP** Emergency helpline 07784955647. Donation can be made 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 your local community.

The Legion of Mary is currently visiting homes in the parish promoting devotion of the Divine Mercy.

A Blessed statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available through The Legion of Mary to any sick parishioner for one week. If you would like to avail of the statue, please contact **the** parish office.

The Legion of Mary is back in the parish. We meet on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Annex of St Joseph's church, Glenavy for further info call or text 07581292226 (Emma). Join us.

Annual Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Our theme will be "Pilgrims of Hope", St Gerard's Church, 722 Antrim Rd Monday 12—Tuesday 20 May 2025. Everyone welcome! For more information www.stgerardsparish.org

Ablaze Pentecost Ireland Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. Holy Mass, Confessions, Adoration, Talks, Workshops, Fellowship, Prayer Ministry, Praise & Worship, Healing. Pentecost weekend 7 & 8 June, cost £25. Location—Parish of Duneane, St Oliver Plunkett Church, Toomebridge. BT48 3PE.

St. Pio Relics to visit Holycross Abbey (E41PH01): 24 & 25 May. Veneration & ceremonies 10am - 8pm & 9am - 8pm (incorporating our annual St. Pio Pilgrimage on Sunday from 1.30pm). All welcome. More information 0504-43124 or hbparishoffice@gmail.com

Action for children There is a desperate shortage of foster carers across the UK. For more information in becoming a foster carer please see <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/fostering/why-choose-us/faith-in-fostering/>

Summer Singing Course, 5 days from 7-11 July 2025, St Paul's Parish Centre, Belfast. For young people aged 8—18 who want to improve their singing voice & musical skills, cost £75. Ending with showcase in St Peter's Cathedral. Book by 30 April for discount. Scholarships available on request. For more information or to apply, contact cathedralmusic@downandconnor.org

Pilgrimage to Fatima Flying Direct from Belfast International, 7 Nights F/B Avenida Hotel 30 July/6 August. Spiritual Director Fr Martin Graham Adm St Peter's Cathedral Belfast. £885pps. Convenient flight times. Contact Joe Catney 07776425631

Deacons Those who are discerning a vocation to the permanent diaconate are encouraged to make contact with the Diocesan Director for the Permanent Diaconate, Rev Brett Lockhart on b.lockhart@downandconnor.org