

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

GH Tyres and Auto Services: 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General Service and repairs Tel: 0289 4423 113.
iHola! A new beginner Spanish class for all ages kicks off in Crumlin on Saturday, 6 September 2025! Come along to our Welcome Event on Saturday, 19 July, 12–1pm @ Aldergrove GAA Clubhouse—meet the teacher and find out what's in store. If interested, contact Thomas on 07737 138633
Ciorcal Comhrá the drop-in group will meet during the summer in St Clare's Community Hall on Thursdays from 2 – 4pm. All levels of Irish welcome. Text or call 07476828442 for info. Slán agus beannacht.

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 17 July 2025. Winning Numbers; 01-18-26-28. Jackpot £4,600, No Jackpot winners. 2 Lucky Dip Winners, £25 each Joanne McCumiskey and Alish Cornican. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £4,650. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Down & Connor Diocesan Trust are seeking to recruit a new role of 'Youth Minister', to work across the Family of Parishes of Duneane, Antrim & Randalstown. We are looking for a person with a passion for deepening the faith of young people, who will focus on the personal, social and spiritual development of young people across this Family of Parishes. Based within our Duneane Parish, 103 Roguey Road, Moneyglass, Toomebridge, BT41 3PT. Terms & conditions 35 hrs p.w (which will involve evening & weekend work), £29k to £31k gross p.a., commensurate upon experience. For more information or to apply <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies, or <https://www.nijobs.com/jobs/> and the Community NI website. Closing date for completed applications Thursday 7 August 2025 @ 12noon. Down & Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

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



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly
27 July 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
A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Trust in prayer

Often, I pray to St Anthony, and I find what I was looking for. I can't understand why but it brings up the question of praying for what we want and need. People pray hard for an intention; some pray for ages and are answered, some are not.

We often pray for what may be outside God's control: that someone may give up drink, when the person may not want to; that children will be kept safe on the roads, but they are killed or injured with the careless and dangerous driving of someone else, maybe under addictive influence.

We are encouraged always to pray with hope and persistence, believing that we always get something. In the asking is the receiving, and we never leave prayer worse off than when we began.

For any time, we give to prayer, we get something. We are transformed. St Ignatius of Loyola speaks of the effect of prayer - *an increase in faith, hope and love*. We may not get the specific intention, but we always get the Holy Spirit. I have never left prayer the poorer than when I began. In the knocking at the door itself something is opened. In asking and seeking we get something. The first gift of prayer is the love of God. Other gifts follow.

Prayer increases our trust in God, that he wants our good and is with us in love.

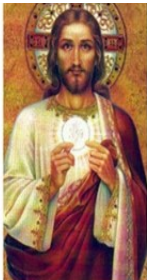
So, we pray for what we need and then leave the prayer with God, to be answered as he can. This is one of the greatest faiths of all.

*Our Father,
holy be your name,
your kingdom come and
will be done within me and
in earth and in heaven.*

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28 July — 3 August Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	St James'	Feumore Mass Centre
Mon	9.30am Communion Service 11am Funeral		Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm Mon Adoration 11am—12pm 
Tue		7pm Isabel Toner (Months Mind) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 9.30—8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am Mairead Loughan (Anniv) Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Sean Malachy Murphy (Anniv) Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am P.I. 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Sat	11am Baptisms	6pm Maureen Rea (Anniv) In Honour of Our Lady of the Angels	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12pm Jim McGettrick (Anniv) Sally & Jimmy Armour & Ellen Keys (Anniv)	10. 45am William McLornan & his sister Lily McLornan	

Recently Deceased June McNicholl (Chapel Road)

Months Mind Isabel Toner, Rosaline Heatley, Joe Nelson

Anniversaries Kevin Fairley, Malachy Cormican, John Ignatius Moore, Teresa Heffron, Lily Daly, George Daly, Robert Daly, Sean Malachy Murphy, Willie Galloway, John Paul Nelson, John & Bernadette Magee, Mairead Loughan, William McComb, Tom Brazier.

Sanctuary Lamps James Rafferty, Seamus & Paul Loney

Weddings Congratulations to Marion McCullagh and Conall Bradley who were married in Christ.

Baptisms We welcome to God's family Clara Rose Burns and Cara Christina McQuillan

Collection 20/07/25

Weekly Offering: £2,705

Diocesan Pastoral Needs £1,080

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2025-26 (Week 12)

Winner £50 Helen McAlister (Glenavy)

Winner £100 Bernadette Anderson (Crumlin)

Congratulations to our winners!

Prayer for the Fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

'Blessed are those who have not lost hope' (Sir 14:2)

How beautiful are these words of yours, Lord!
 Help us to continue our pilgrimage through time,
 animated by the hope that comes from You!

Help us in this divisive world,
 to bring the hope of communion.

Help us in this world, wounded by wars,
 to bring the hope of peace.

Help us in this world, which is dehumanizing,
 to bring the beauty of an ancient smile.

Help us to be, for our grandchildren, for our loved ones
 and for everyone we meet,
 the memory of your tenderness.

Help us to bring, in a world distracted from You,
 the Hope of a new life that only You can give!

For in You, Lord, nothing is lost
 For in You, Lord, everything begins again! Amen

History of Mater Dei. The Parish Pastoral Council are compiling a history of Mater Dei Church. If any parishioners have any stories or photographs that they would like to share or have included in the history of the church, please contact or forward them to the Parish Office.

Mater Dei church is closed for renovation until further notice. All services have transferred to St James, Aldergrove

Making your offering to the church If you make your offering to the church via your employer through a Payroll Giving Scheme, the charity number allocated will be that of the Diocese of Down & Connor Trust. Therefore, if you want the donation to be allocated specifically to this parish you must include the Parish of Glenavy & Killead as the reference.

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 15 August 2025

There will be a procession to the Grotto after 9.30am Mass in St Joseph's, during which the Rosary will be recited. Children who made their First Holy Communion this year would be very welcome to come in their First Holy Communion or other attire. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

The Glenavy Branch of the Apostolic Work are organising a one-day Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 17 August 2025. The bus will leave St Joseph's Church, Glenavy at 8am and will return there in the evening. Price £35 per person. If you would like more information or to book a seat, please contact 02894 422852 or 077 6479 7963 or 077 5287 9591.

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

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

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/>

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.

Crumlin Resident Collective (CRC) based at 17c Main Street , Crumlin (old post office) opening times Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10am – 1pm. This is nonprofit, community-based organisation, local people helping others less fortunate in our community. Donations gratefully accepted e.g. school uniforms, clothes, food, furniture etc

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.

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.

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.

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 SVP** 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. **Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo**, 31 August 25. £699 p.p.s. Price includes return bus transfers, 4 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, B & B. Full use of leisure facilities. All entertainment, excursions & transport included. Visit Knock Shrine, Galway Cathedral, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick and more. Irish music nightly. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.