

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

Little Show Stoppers Introducing your little ones to poetry, drama & music. Building confidence whilst having lots of fun! All Primary 1,2 & 3's welcome! Commencing every Saturday from 4 October 9am - 10am. Contact Kathy on 07943473028 for more information/ book your place.

St Clare's Hall, What's on?– Monday Bootcamp with CM Fitness 6am – 7.20am, Flip Fusion 5.30pm–6.30pm, 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 7pm – 8pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm (Matches).

Thursday Pilates 10am – 11am, Ciorcal Comhrá 10am – 12noon, 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 dub 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm – 9pm, Traditional night 1st Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Sunday 7pm – 10pm. Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's

Contact **07517779334** or stdareshallbooking@hotmail.com

St Clare's Christmas Fair- Sunday 16 November from 12.30 - 3pm. Now taking bookings for stall holders. Contact Cecilia to book on 07514 630758.

Dementia Information Session - 10.30 - 11.30am Tuesday 7 October 2025 in St Clare's Hall. Free to attend and everyone welcome. Contact Claire for more information on 07826 898852.

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 18 September 2025. Winning Numbers; 07-09-13-20. Jackpot £5,050, No Jackpot winners. 2 Lucky Dip Winners, £25 each – Nicola Burns and Kate Walsh. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £5,100. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

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.

Milford Care Centre & Anam Cara, will host a Bereavement Information Evening on **Thursday 9 October @ 7pm**, Castletroy Park Hotel, Dublin Road, Limerick. To register or for more information email d.regan@anamcara.ie or www.anamcara.ie or Tel 02895213120.

The charity Mary's Meals is now reaching over **3 million children** with daily school meals across 16 countries. We are so grateful for your compassion, prayers and support over the years that have made it possible to reach this milestone. Mary's Meals invites you to continue to pray for this work and to consider volunteering your time locally to help us raise awareness and funds individually or as part of a group so we can keep the promise of a daily meal to the children we currently feed. Contact Caoimhe on 07394564065 or visit our website to find out more www.marysmeals.org.uk.

Parish Bingo

IN ST CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL

EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.

JACKPOT £1,000 IN 50 NUMBERS



**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
28 SEPTEMBER 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
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Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

FAITH IN ACTION: ON FIRE WITH HOPE

This story of **Jesus** highlights the inequality of rich and poor. **Jesus** appeals to our sense of justice, right and goodness. There is no need for anyone to come back from the dead to warn us of this inequality. The doors between rich and poor can often be locked as were the doors between **Dives** and **Lazarus**. Those outside can only knock, protest and even try to break down the doors. The doors must be opened from the inside.

This message of justice and hope for an equal share of the world's goods for everyone is strong in the gospel of **Jesus**. His heart was on fire with the hope of a better life for the poor. He went to help them simply because they were poor.

The Christian Church, if it is to be faithful to the gospel, should be involved in many ways in the creation of a more just world. The Christian parish takes a special care of the refugee, the migrant, the war and climate challenged, the new poor and the old poor, the unborn, The disabled (Mental/ Physical), the sick, the elderly, and the dying, in fact all whose voices may not be usually heard.


The parable is meant not to scare with images of punishment, but to make us as aware of the huge inequalities that exist in our world, and in the exploitation of resources in the developing world.

Maybe we can pray not to be tormented by any of the pains of this story, but be tormented into action by the hunger, poverty and injustices of our world. Maybe then more doors can be opened from the inside of wealth to the outside of poverty.

Lord, may we build with you a world of justice and peace.

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29 September — 5 October Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	St James'	Feumore Mass Centre Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm Mon Adoration 11am—12pm 
Mon	9.30am Communion Service	Adoration 7pm —8pm	
Tue	11.00am Funeral	7pm Brendan McGarry (5th Anniv) Joseph Donnelly (Snr) & Joseph Donnelly (Jnr) (Anniv), Frank Madden (Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30—8.30pm	
Wed		9.30am In Honour of St Thérèse of Lisieux Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Patrick O'Boyle (Anniv) Nuala McMahon (Anniv) Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am Imelda Shepherd (Special Intention) Holy Souls 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Sat	11am Baptisms	6pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am In Honour of St Faustina 12pm Stephen McAllister (50th Anniv) Laurena Rice (Anniv)	10.45am Derinella Diamond (Anniv)	

Recently Deceased Gerald Mallon (Orchard Hill), Anne Young (nee McMaster, formerly Glenavy).

Months Mind Adele Fay, Helen Flynn, Angela McAlister

Anniversaries Damian Beirne, Peter Beirne, Brendan McGarry, Joseph Donnelly (Snr), Joseph Donnelly (Jnr), Frank Madden, Patrick O'Boyle, Mary Lewsley, Ethna Magennis, Joan Nelson, Nuala McMahon, Kathleen McAreavey(2nd).

Sanctuary Lamps Thomas & Rose Cardwell, Falloon Family.

Baptisms We welcome to God's family Finn Patrick O'Neill, Shea Micheál O'Neill, Isla Rae Linksey, Faolán Daniel McCrory.

Collection 21/09/25

Weekly Offering: £2,758

Autumn Offering: £1,223

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2025-26 (Week 21)

Winner £100 Edel Singleton (Glenavy)

Winner £50 Danny Trowlen (Crumlin)

Congratulations to our winners!

This year is 1700th anniversary of the first council of Nicaea.

On Sunday 5 October 2025 we join with Christian Churches throughout Ireland to mark and remember Nicaea and the Nicene Creed which came from it. We hold this creed in common with Christians for the last 1700 years, around the world and across the traditions. This Sunday is an opportunity for shared witness and reflection on the core beliefs that unite us in Christ.

Autumn 2025. Calling You To Discover Christ Anew. Discovering Christ - A Seven-Week Experience.

Life can be overwhelming. Too many worries, too many places to be, too many items on the to-do list. Do you ever wish for some way, anyway, to slow down and really consider what it's all about? Where do you find your meaning? Where do you want to find meaning? Is it possible to be fulfilled? These are questions worth asking. Discovering Christ is for anyone who is curious. Enjoy refreshments and listen to a thought-provoking talk that is designed to explore the meaning and purpose of your life. After the talk, you can share your thoughts in a small group (and talk as much or as little as you wish). It's all done in a warm, friendly, and judgement-free environment. Discovering Christ is fun, relaxed, and free (donations welcomed). Thursday evenings from 23 October - 11 December, 7pm-9pm in Mater Dei Parochial House. Includes a retreat day in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, on Saturday 22 November from 10am-4pm. Please book your place by Friday 26 September as numbers are limited and let us know if you have any special dietary requirements by contacting the parish office: 028 9442 2278 or glenavy@downandconnor.org.

SPRED is resuming in St Claire's Hall on the following Wednesday's from 7pm to 8.30pm, 8 & 22 October, 12 & 26 November & 10 December. SPRED stands for **S**pecial **R**eligious **D**evelopment, and it supports those with a learning disability to develop their faith while making friends and being a vital part of our parish community. We come together to share our lives, our love, our friendship and our faith. We are looking forward to welcoming our existing and all new members plus we need more volunteers. For more information, please contact the parish office or Brenda on 07928979292.

The Next Monthly Whist will be this evening, Sunday 28 September at 7pm. As usual scorecards will be £5 and a light supper will be provided. All welcome.

Children's Liturgy: Children's Liturgy (for all children Nursery to P5) has returned to St Joseph's Church. We also call members of our parish family aged 18+ to join our Children's Liturgy team in passing on our faith to the children. If interested, please come and speak to us after Mass. **Children's Liturgy in Mater Dei** is on hold until the church reopens. We look forward to resuming this and seeing all the children again.

The Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make our Afternoon Tea last Sunday so successful – those who donated gifts for the ballot & Tombola and those who provided the entertainment. Many thanks to everyone who came along to support the function. The sum raised to support Missionaries was £2,500. Many thanks to all.

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/>

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.

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

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 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.

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.

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

Manresa Jesuit Centre of Spirituality (Oct-Dec 2025) 8-day Directed Retreat (14 - 23 October). A residential retreat with one-on-one spiritual direction. Advent Triduum Retreat (Monday-Friday, 1-5 or 8-12 December). Silent retreat guided by the Jesuit community. New Year Retreat (Monday, 29 December - Thursday, 1 January) Welcoming the New Year in a spirit of peace and prayer. More information or to book manresa.ie, email reception@manresa.ie, or Tel +353 1 5529 448.

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

Trócaire Each year, volunteers in parishes across the north of Ireland set up a small stall after Masses to sell Trócaire's Gifts of Change — meaningful gifts that make a real difference to families living in poverty around the world. We provide everything you need including training & support. For more information, Tel Mark 028 9080 8030 or email mark.mcmahon@trocaire.org

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