

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 23 October 2025. Winning Numbers; 03-10-11-14. Jackpot £5,300, No Jackpot winners. 2 Lucky Dip Winners, £25 each – Kate Curran and Claire O'Boyle. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £5,350. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Pope John Paul II Award Group Enrolment and Information Evening for all young people aged 16 – 17 in St Joseph's Annex, Glenavy on **Wednesday 5 November 7pm – 8pm.** New adult volunteers welcome, please contact Brenda Gallagher on 07928979292.

The Glenavy Branch of Apostolic Work are holding their Annual Christmas Sale in St Clare's Hall on Sunday 23 November after 9.30am and 12pm Masses. Cakes, Tombola, Ballot, Bric a Brac stalls, tea & coffee available. A church door collection for Apostolic Work will be taken up at all Masses in the Parish (Saturday & Sunday) that weekend. Gift Aid envelopes for taxpayer donors are available at the back of St Joseph's Church and St James' Church. Please complete and return envelopes in Church Door Collection or Parish Office.

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.

Trocaire Each year, volunteers in parishes across the north of Ireland set up a small stall after Masses to sell Trocaire'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

Christmas Fair- Sunday 16th November from half 12 to 3pm (St Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy). All welcome. Free entry.

Table Quiz, Water Aid for Gaza Friday 7 November 2025, St Clares Hall, Glenavy, 7.30pm, £5.00 entry.

A Place of Connection and Wellbeing – Aldergrove Cottage.

Aldergrove Cottage has been established as a peaceful setting where individuals can take time to pause, reflect, and reconnect with nature. Led by an experienced Mental Health Occupational Therapist we provide clinical assessments, group work and nature-based activities designed to support both mental and physical wellbeing for adults and young people. At Aldergrove Cottage, we hope to build a caring community of encouragement and support. If you would like to join us or collaborate, please get in touch. Contact: Laura Docherty 07817 684432

Anam Cara, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Monday 10 November @ 7.30pm** in the Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie



The Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed **2 November 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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Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The first mention of a day specially dedicated to commemorating all the faithful departed is found in a monastic rule attributed to Saint Isidore of Seville (died 636), who ordered his monks to celebrate the Eucharist for the souls of the departed on the Monday after Pentecost. The choice of this day may be due to the fact that the emerging feast of All Saints was celebrated on the Sunday after Pentecost, following some examples from the Christian East.

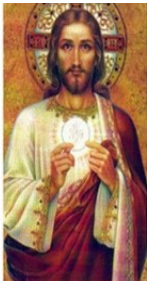
The Irish connection In 998 **St Odilo of Cluny** set aside the day immediately following All Saints (2nd November) as a day when "***the monks at Cluny would keep with joyous affection the memory of all the faithful departed who have lived from the beginning of the world until the end***". The custom spread to England and to Spain. In Valencia, the custom of saying three Masses was introduced by the Dominicans in the early 14th century. In 1915, during World War I, Pope Benedict XV extended the feast and the privilege of saying three Masses to the universal Church.

Purgatory The feast draws on the Catholic doctrine of Purgatory, which itself draws on the practice of praying for the dead. While the Church believes that all those who die in God's grace and friendship can be sure of eternal life, nevertheless after death they undergo a purification to achieve the holiness necessary to enter heaven (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* 1030-32). *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* also invokes the communion of saints, the teaching on indulgences and (CCC 1476-7) to support the application of indulgences by those still on earth to the souls in purgatory.

*It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought
to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins.*

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3 November — 9 November 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	7pm Hugh Ross (Anniv) Holy Souls Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30—8.30pm		
Wed		9.30am Joyce Moore (Anniv) Holy Souls Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Michael Gilbride (Anniv) In Honour of the Archangel's 1pm Wedding Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am P.I. 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation.		
Sat	11am Annual Service of Remembrance 11am Baptism	6pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am Grow In Love Baby Eunan Owens (Anniv) Patrick Cleary (Anniv) 12pm Jarlath Ignatius Maguire (Anniv) Kevin Boyd (1st Anniv) Vincent Mulholland (Anniv))	10. 45am Elizabeth McNeice (Anniv) Michael Hackett (Anniv)	

Anniversaries William Brazier, Veronica Goodall, Vivienne McCorry, Teresa Corry, Gervase & Marie O'Neill, Hugh Ross, Joyce Moore, Michael Gilbride Jane Doone, Matthew Bradley, Maire Crossan, William White, Tommy Magill, Bernadette Lock, Malachy McGarry.

Sanctuary Lamps Sammy & Eileen Heatley, Jim & Sarah McGarry

Thank you for the two donations of £1,000 and £2,000 towards the renovation of Mater Dei church. These anonymous donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you to everyone who has donated so generously to this project

Collection 26/10/25

Weekly Offering: £ 2,917

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2025-26 (Week 26)

Winner £100 Kathleen Mulholland (Glenavy)

Winner £50 Anne & Roisin Brazier (Crumlin)

Congratulations to our winners!

The Annual Service of Remembrance for the young men who lost their lives in our parish during the Second World War will take place on **Saturday 8 November at 11am** in St Joseph's graveyard. Refreshments in the Annex afterwards, all welcome

Remembering The Deceased, November 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 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 those named on the lists, that they may attain what they long for, eternal rest in God's presence.

SPRED in St Claire's Hall on the following Wednesday's from 7pm to 8.30pm, 12 & 26 November & 10 December. Please contact the parish office or Brenda on 07928979292 for more information.

Overshadowed By Love: Advent as a Season of the Holy Spirit *The gift of the Spirit is God's own power to love unconditionally and to transform the world by that power.* (Fr Richard Rohr). The gift of knowing the Holy Spirit, of being able to love as God does that Mary received at the Annunciation is the same gift we need in our hearts and in our world today. Join us this Advent as we ponder the work of the Holy Spirit in preparing our hearts to receive Christ anew this Christmas. On Tuesday evenings from 25 November - Tuesday 16 December, immediately after Mass from 7.30-9pm in St Joseph's Annex. Let the life-giving Spirit breathe on us this Advent that we may manifest the presence and gifts of God.



ANNUAL GRAND CHRISTMAS BAZAAR takes place on Sunday **30 November 2025**

SAVE THE DATE. This major community event gives us the opportunity to meet and enjoy some pre Christmas fun.

The next meeting of the planning team will be on **Wednesday 12 November 2025 @ 7pm** in St Joseph's Presbytery. Volunteers are needed, please come along to the next meeting. Donations to include gifts for the Tombola, new and nearly new stall, toys and prizes for the stage will be needed. Please leave all donations at the Parish office. Any businesses that would like to donate to this event please contact the parish office.

The Grand prize this year will be £1,000 towards a holiday booked through Crumlin Travel. Tickets are on sale from the Parish Office at £10 per ticket. All proceeds from this years Bazaar will go towards the renovation of Mater Dei Church.



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.

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.

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
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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.

Supported lodgings/STAY hosts provide safe & secure accommodation for young people aged 16-21 and offer them practical and emotional support to guide them towards independent living. Hosts benefit from training and development opportunities, ongoing support and financial assistance. Find out more 0800 0720 137 or adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND 7–9 November 2025, Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare–To book: www.marriageencounter.ie

Mass of Hope, Suicide Awareness and Support Group, Sunday 16 November @ 3pm in Clonard Monastery. All families bereaved and all denominations welcome. For more information m.walker@suicideawareness.co.uk