

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 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, Irish earners Class (all levels) 10am–12 noon in the café. Tel 07476 828442, 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, Little Show Stoppers 9am–10am, Flip Fusion 5pm–7pm. **Monthly Events** Book club 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 stclareshallbook-ing@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.

Sunshine Community Group Bingo & Raffle night (BYOB) 14/11/25 @ 8pm. Purchase tickets from Sunshine from 4/11/25 or on the night.

St Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 16 October 2025. Winning Numbers; 04-23-25-26. Jackpot £5,250, No Jackpot winners. 2 Lucky Dip Winners, £25 each – Patrick McCorry and Joanne Brazier. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £5,300. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Down and Connor Diocesan Trust Vacancies 1. Bishop's Residence & Curia

Office Vacancy Assistant Housekeeper An opportunity has arisen within our Housekeeping Team to recruit into the role of Assistant Housekeeper.

Permanent post—35 hrs per week— closing date 12 noon on 3 November 2025.

2. Down and Connor Diocesan Trust St Colmcille's Parish, Belfast

Parish & Vocations Support Officer. Permanent post - 30hrs per week.

Closing date 12noon on 10 November 2025. Full details relating to both vacancies including application forms can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies and on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites.

Lost & Found A gold ring was found in St Josephs church , please contact the parish office.

Tots & Tea - St Joseph's P.S. Crumlin, Minor Hall. Join us for 6 weeks every Friday between 10.30am and 11.30am from 7 November 2025. All parents and carers with children aged 0 – 3 years are welcome.

Parish Bingo

IN ST CLARE'S COMMUNITY HALL

EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.

JACKPOT £1,000 IN 50 NUMBERS



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
26 OCTOBER 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

Solemnity of All Saints, Saturday 1st November
Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times:

St James Friday 7pm (Vigil)

St Joseph's Saturday 9.30am

THE PHARISEE'S BOAST

This is one of these stories of people who didn't like each other and brought the worst out of each other. The **Pharisee** was strict on religion, and the **tax man** was a greedy sinner. Each made the other feel awful about themselves, especially before **God**.

The **Pharisee** started boasting about his religious fervent observance. The tax man just swallowed his prejudice and admitted to God that he was a sinner. The **Pharisee** would look good in any religious line-up, and the tax man would be in the corner of the line-up, almost cowering in the back of the prayer- place, hoping nobody would see him.

But he knew who he was before God; he admitted his weakness. The **Pharisee** pretended religious fervour and looked down on the tax man, one of **God's** favourites.

Jesus comments on the story that everyone would recognise, and we recognise ourselves in both people: the proud and arrogant person at times, and at other times, the one who feels a total failure.

He just says - in admitting who you are, you are high in the sight of **God** and high at **God's** table.

Just to be oneself before **God** can be difficult. Many gospel stories are about this reality. We need to give those few silent moments each day to an awareness of being loved by God. In that we are humbled, that one as good as **God** could love us so totally, and so we are exalted.

We are gifted by **God's** grace and if we can enjoy our identity as a child of **God** we will find happiness in life.

Lord teach me to know you more,
to love you more and
serve you faithfully in my life.

CatholicIreland.net

27 October — 2 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 Eugene McConnon (1st Anniv) Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30—8.30pm		
Wed		9.30am Special Intention (M.R.) In Honour of Our Lady of Ransom Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Holy Souls Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am P.I.	7pm Vigil Mass Feast of All Saints	
Sat	9.30am Holy Day Feast of All Saints	6pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am All Souls Day P.P. 12pm Vivienne McCorry (Anniv) Gervase & Marie O'Neill (Anniv)	10. 45am William Brazier (Anniv) Veronica Goodall (Anniv)	

Anniversaries Eugene McConnon (1st) Dympha McGarry, Anna & Harry Connon, Paddy Gallagher, Michael Murphy, Rose O'Kane, Gavin Boylan, Marie Crossan, Margaret McCarthy, Rev Francis Morgan (Kiltegan), Peggy Crossey, Robert Kearns (Snr), Rachel McPeake. Ita Donnelly, Michael Grogan, Deirdre Grogan, Paul Grogan.

Sanctuary Lamps Special Intention (MG), Daniel & Peggy Crossey

Baptisms We welcome to God's family Ronan Michael Hanna, Finbar Gregory Keating, Ruairi John McNulty, Croia Frances Johnston

Weddings Congratulations to Rebecca Logan & Cathal McKeown who were married in Christ.

Collection 19/10/25

Weekly Offering: £ 3,857
World Missions: £1,381

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2025-26 (Week 25) Grand Autumn Draw

Winner £1,000 Canon Colm McBride Winner £500 John Crossey
Winner £100 Paul Clenaghan Winner £50 Margaret Hackett

Congratulations to our winners!

Thank you to the two parishioners who each generously donated £1,000 towards the renovation of Mater Dei church. These anonymous donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you also to the parishioner who donated £2,000 towards the cost of the cushioned seating in St Joseph's, your generosity is also greatly appreciated. The total donation, so far to the renovation of Mater Dei from parishioners is **£69,437**. Thank you to everyone who has donated so generously to this project.

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.

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 12pm in St Joseph's graveyard. Refreshments in the Annex afterwards, all welcome

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.

SPRED is resuming in St Claire's Hall on the following Wednesday's from 7pm to 8.30pm 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 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. **Recharge St Colmcille's Church** in East Belfast for 18 - 35-year-olds. We meet twice a month to "recharge" our spiritual batteries. Next meeting s 4 & 18 November @7.30pm. All are welcome!

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 first meeting of the planning team will be on **Wednesday 29 October 2025 @ 7pm** in St Joseph's Presbytery. New and additional helpers are needed, please come along to the first meeting. Donations to include gifts for the Tombola, new and nearly new stall, toys and prizes for the stage would be most welcome. Please leave all donations at the Parish office. Any businesses that would like to donate to this event please contact the parish office.

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 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.

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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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

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.