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St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto Results Thursday 31 November 2025. Winning Numbers; 05-15-21-22. Jackpot £5,450, No Jackpot winners. 2 Lucky Dip Winners, £25 each – David Fox and Joe O'Boyle. Next Week's Jackpot is worth £5,500. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

Vacancy Down & Connor Diocesan Trust Bishop's Residence & Curia Office Assistant Housekeeper – Job Share, 16 hrs each per week. Work pattern to be agreed with the Head of Housekeeping. Rate of pay: £15.50 gross per hour x 16 hours per week (£12,800 gross per annum) Full details relating to the vacancy and the application form can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies & on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites. Closing date for applications will be noon on Tuesday 2 December 2025

Down & Connor Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026, 9 - 14 July 2026: We are seeking doctors, registered nurses & volunteers to care for pilgrims who need medical, nursing, personal care or assistance to make their pilgrimage to Lourdes possible. New members are welcome for our medical nursing teams. For more information, please email your contact details to lourdes@downandconnor.org

Advent Retreat, St Pauls Church Falls Road Belfast Saturday 6 December. Beginning with Mass at 10am – Finishing 4pm. Speaker Fr Darren Brennan. Please bring a packed lunch, tea/coffee will be provided. Hosted by Down & Connor Charismatic. Renewal For further details contact Collette on 07791078453.

Inaugural Stella Maris Lourdes Pilgrimage: Mon 25 – Sat 30 May 2026 We warmly welcome serving or retired seafarers, fishers and their family members or carers to spend six grace-filled days of prayer, healing, and fellowship in the beautiful sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes. This pilgrimage will be fully funded (including travel, accommodation, and meals). To register or for more information john.fogarty@stellamarisemail.org or hugh.ramsay@stellamarisemail.org Tel 07432 654032.

For Young Women (18-40yrs) who are discerning a Vocation to Religious/Consecrated Life, monthly meetings are held in Charleville Retreat Centre, Cork. The day includes prayer, talks, Holy Mass, Adoration and a chance to meet and chat with religious sisters of different communities. If you are interested please email womendiscern@corkandross.org

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



**Our Lord Jesus Christ
King of The Universe
23 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)
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Feast of Christ the King

Jesus couldn't do much for the man on the cross... his own hands were nailed. He couldn't take him off, but he gave him more than he could ask for. He gave him paradise.

Where is God in our suffering? What sort of hope can we find this week in our country? What with so many horrible atrocities taking place, and the economic mess we have. What has **God** and the **Church** to say? **God** in his love for his people, and the **Church** with its social teachings - have they any message of hope?

Where is God? God did not cause the recession nor the murders. We may learn a lot through it and good may come later or now. Our suffering at the moment is of human making. Not of our making, but of some of our leaders and bankers, mostly through greed. **God** is with us suffering like he was with the thief. He didn't cause the suffering of the man on the next cross to him. He wants our happiness and wants justice and prosperity for all.


God is with us, holding our hands, asking us to support each other. The Church will offer a place and space to find the love of **God**, and its social teaching will ask us to look for the common good in the future. It offers also a place where we can hear the Church's approach to our economic future, reminding us all the time of the needs of the poor and the ordinary in education, medical care, housing and the ways in which the very old and the poor will suffer most in a situation which has been none of their doing. We are the **Church** and called on to make our voices heard for those who, like the man on the next cross, have little voice except to ask for help.

Lord, may thy kingdom come.

CatholicIreland.net

Church Webcam The parish has changed provider. The church webcam for live stream of Masses can be accessed via the Parish Website (as normal), or on your laptop/ mobile phone/ tablet using Google Chrome in the browser. Type in www.churchmedia.tv. Once in the site select **Antrim** and search for **St Joseph's, Glenavy** and the church will appear. Click on the play button to view live stream.

24 — 30 November Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	St James'	
Mon	9.30am Communion Service	Adoration 7pm —8pm	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 
Tue	7pm James Madden (1st Anniv) Holy Souls Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30—8.30pm		
Wed		9.30am P.I. Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Isabel O'Neill (1st Anniv) In Honour of Our Lady of The Miraculous Medal Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am In Honour of Our Lady		
Sat	11am Baptism 6pm Eunan Mulholland (Anniv) Colette Brankin (Anniv)		
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12pm George Walsh (1st Anniv)	10. 45am Angus Grant & Kathleen Grant (Anniv)	

Recently Deceased Eilish Garland (*Lyngrove Hill*), Patricia Cormican (*The Grange*)

Anniversaries James Madden (1st), Isabel O'Neill (1st) Paul Saunders, Jack O'Brien, Margaret O'Brien, Floyd Maguire, James & Francis Doone, John Mulholland, Niall Mulholland, James Doone, Francis Doone, Josephine McGoldrick (1st), Ena White, Daniel & Ellen McCorry, Rosaleen McAlernon, George Walsh (1st), Brian Nelson, Betty Prior, Georgie Cormican.

Sanctuary Lamps Jinnie & Seamus Jordan, Special Intention

Thank you to the parishioners who donated £200 to the renovation of Mater Dei Church. Your anonymous donations are greatly appreciated.

Collection 16/11/25

Weekly Offering: £2,482.00
Bishop's Commission £941.00

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2025-26 (Week 29)

Winner £50 Máire Rafferty (Crumlin)
Winner £100 Vincent Carr (*Glenavy*)

Congratulations to our winners!

GRAND PARISH BAZAAR STAR PRIZE

We have a superb star prize of £1,000 towards a holiday booked through Crumlin Travel.



The star prize has been generously sponsored by Crumlin Travel. The draw will take place at the Bazaar next **Sunday 30 November 2025. Tickets are £10 each** from Crumlin Travel, the Parish Office and will be available at the churches after Mass this weekend. The stall holders will be looking for donations for the stalls to include gifts for the Tombola, new and nearly new stall, toys and prizes for the stage. Please leave all donations at the Parish office. Any businesses that would like to donate to this event please contact the parish office. All proceeds from the Bazaar will go towards parish funds. The next meeting of the planning team will be Wednesday 26 November @ 7pm in St Joseph's Presbytery new members welcome.

Saturday Vigil Mass. Due to the dark evenings and for safety reasons, and until Mater Dei Church reopens, the Saturday night Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 6pm in St Joseph's Church, Chapel Road, Glenavy.

The next monthly Whist will be on Sunday 30 November at 7.30pm following the parish Bazaar, scorecards will be £5, and a light supper will be provided. All welcome

Music at St Joseph's Those who attend Sunday 12 noon Mass in St Joseph's will be aware that following her marriage and move to live in Co Down we have lost our musician and leader of our Choir. There is now an urgent need to recruit a replacement. If you or someone you know would be interested in this position please contact Canon Mc Bride as soon as possible.

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). 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 - 16 December, 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.

Open Evening St Joseph's PS & Nursery School, Crumlin. Everyone including parents/ guardians of prospective Nursery or P1 children are invited to our Open Evening on **Thursday 4 December between 6pm — 7.30pm.** You can tour the school; meet the staff and children and find out about all the extras we have on offer. Please share these details with any new families who would be interested in finding out about our school or the P1 application process. We look forward to seeing you.

Youth Alpha Course, Wednesday's: 7.30 to 8.30, 3 & 17 December, 7 & 21 January 2026, 4 & 18 February. St Joseph's Annex. All 16 - 20-year-olds welcome for Fun, Friendship and Food, while exploring the love of God.

Glenavy St Vincent De Paul will be holding its Annual Senior Citizen's Dinner at 1pm on Saturday 13 December in St Clare's Hall. Anyone who would like to attend should contact a member of the local Conference before Monday 5 December or ring 07764 797963. All are welcome.

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.churchmedia.tv and click on Glenavy or Mater Dei. 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.

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

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.

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.

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.