

**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, Multi Sensory baby class 10–11am, 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, Caitlin's Theatre School 5pm – 6.30pm, Yoga 7pm – 8pm, Bowls 8pm – 10pm (Matches).

**Thursday** Pilates 10am – 11am, Irish learners 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, Litle Show Stoppers 9am–10am, Flip Fusion 5pm–7pm. **Monthly Events** Book club 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 7.30pm – 9pm, Traditional night 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 7pm – 9pm, Whist Last Sunday 7pm – 10pm. Also available for private, community & business functions, including birthday parties, fund raisers and funeral's **Contact** [stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com](mailto:stclareshallbooking@hotmail.com) or **07517779334**. **St Clare's Community Hall is a drop off point for the Hygiene Bank.** You can now bring unopened toiletries to help people in our community who need them most. Donation box is in the front entrance of the hall, so items can be donated any time the hall is open. **Sing into Summer with Lisburn Harmony** plus special guests The Accidental Choir on Saturday 23 May 2026 @ 7.30pm in St Clare's Community Hall. Tickets £12.50 or benches available up to 2 adults and 2 children @ £25. **Glenclore Community Group AGM** on Monday 27 April 2026 @ 7pm. Please join us for a review of last years work and to have your say on priorities going forward.

**PARISH EASTER WHIST will be held on Sunday 26 April @ 7pm**, in St. Clare's hall. There will be a top prize of £100. Scorecards are £10 & refreshments will be provided. There will also be a ballot on the night. All welcome

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**Celebration of Mass & Blessing with The Holy Relic of St Padre Pio,** St Matthews Church, Belfast, Thursday 23 April @ 7pm.

**Precious Life** invites young people to a Pro-Life Apologetics Day on 25 April 2– 4pm, St Mary's Church Hall, Chapel Lane, Belfast. For more info, contact 07956 451655.

**The Sanctuary Singers,** The Sound of Celtic Soul, Sunday 26 April @ 7.30pm in St Patrick's Church, Lisburn in aid of Cancer Fund for Children. For more information [www.thesanctuarysingers.org](http://www.thesanctuarysingers.org) or 07979 868152 or [lore-to@thesanctuarysingers.org](mailto:lore-to@thesanctuarysingers.org)

**Join Catherine DiNuzzio** for a gentle, faith-filled evening offering hope and practical guidance for navigating anxiety with the peace of Christ. **Wed 23 April @ 7.30pm** in St Peter's Lurgan.



**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**19 April 2026**

**Very Rev Canon Colm McBride PP:** St. Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY Tel: 94 422278  
**Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy:** Monday- Friday 10am - 3pm Secretary: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278  
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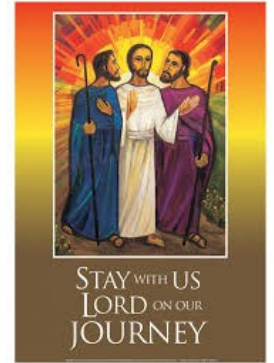
### Hearts uplifted

I have met many people who found this story really helped at times when they were down, when there were disappointments in life, when they encountered illness and many of the crosses of life. They believed in him after he had vanished, having broken bread with them. He had accompanied them in a dark journey of life.

Jesus went to them - he did not await their visit. Somehow, he knew that people of his 'set' were in darkness and maybe despair. This is the call of the church - to be with us in prayer, community and service always, and especially for what Pope Francis calls '*the peripheries of life*'. Most of us spend some time there and appreciate the help of love and faith.

Then they went to tell the story of how they were changed. Faith grows through sharing it. A father said, '*At my child's first communion, my faith became stronger*'.

They told their story of Jesus in the here and now, sometimes reminiscing on what things were once like in Galilee. Every journey of life can be an Emmaus journey where we meet the Lord. Every altar can be the altar of Emmaus, and indeed every meal can be a time of friendship, care and nourishment for body and for soul.



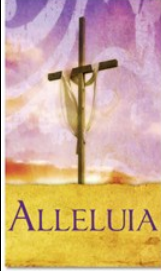
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### Diocesan Vocations Prayer.

God, our Father, at the very beginning of your Church your Son Jesus chose twelve apostles to continue the work he had begun. By the power of your Holy Spirit, they continued to bring the Good News of your love to our world. Send that same Holy Spirit into the hearts of those you are calling to serve as priests for your people in our diocese. Fill them with your gifts of wisdom, understanding, piety and knowledge as they discern your will. Give them the gifts of right judgement and courage in following their calling. Through the outpouring of your grace may many come to the joy of knowing and responding to the invitation of Jesus to "Come, Follow Me!"

**Amen**

## 20 – 26 April Mass Intentions

	St.Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7nm—8nm
Tue		7pm Special Intention 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 Joseph Mulholland (Anniv) 7pm—9pm Adoration		
Fri	9.30am P.I.		
Sat		11am Baptisms 6pm Phyllis Brankin (Anniv) Mary McKillop (Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am Grow in Love P.P. 12.00pm Christopher Tennyson (Months Mind)	10.45am Mary McCorry (Anniv) Ciaran Heffron (Anniv)	

Feumore Mass Centre

Sun Adoration  
6.30pm—  
7.30pm  
Divine Mercy  
Chaplet,  
Chaplet for  
Holy Souls &  
Rosary after-  
wards starts  
at 6.15pm  
**Mon**  
**Adoration**  
11am—12pm

**Anniversaries** Lawrence Grant (1st), Seamus Maguire, Phelim & Brigid McGarry, Desmond Quinn, Geraldine Kerr, Isaac Mulholland, Martha Nelson, Kevin Nelson, Jimmy Magee, Phyllis Brankin, Pat McGleave, Frank Loughan, Maggie McGarry, Meta & Kevin Nelson, Mary O'Brien, Patrick Nelson, Sadie Harvey, Robert Trowlen, Samuel & Florence McAreavey, Joseph Mulholland, Jimmy & Ellie Nelson, Mattie Crossen, Isaac Nelson, Ellie McCann, George McCann, Annie McCann, John McCann, Maisie McCann, Patrick McCann.

**Sanctuary Lamps** Phelim & Brigid McGarry, Special Intention

**Trocaire Lenten campaign 2026** Please return your Trocaire box to the churches as soon as possible.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** Please keep the girls and boys of St Joseph's PS and Ballymacrickey PS in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on 28 April 2026.

**Please Pray for Vocations. Diocesan Novena Pray for Vocations. A Nine Day Journey of Prayer 18 – 26 April 2026** Join us in prayer online or in your parish as we prepare for Good Shepherd Sunday, asking the Lord to bless our diocese vocations to the priesthood. Facebook: Down & Connor – Vocations or Instagram: downandconnor\_vocations.

**Diocese of Down & Connor, First Anniversary Mass for Pope Francis.** Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ will celebrate Mass to mark the First Anniversary of the death of Pope Francis on Tuesday 21 April in St Peter's Cathedral @ 7pm. All are welcome.

**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, b.lockhart@downandconnor.org

**Rosary Rally** You are cordially invited to a special rosary for the conversion of Ireland in co-ordination with over 500 other rosaries across Ireland, on Saturday 16 May @ 4pm at the St Joseph's Grotto with tea and coffee afterwards in the annex. All welcome, please spread the word.

**Mater Dei Children's Liturgy** We would welcome more helpers. We have a very flexible rota, and it is just during term time. So, if you can help, even one Sunday in the year, we would be delighted. Call or email the parish office if interested.

**New Parish Draw 2026/27** The Parish Draw is a valuable source of income for our parish, the new Parish Draw begins on 4 May, just £10 per month and generous prizes to be won. Renewal forms are being distributed to existing members, and we hope you will continue to support the Draw. New members are encouraged to join. If you haven't been a member before, please pick up a form from the back of the Churches or the Parish Office. For further information about joining and the options on how to pay, please contact the Parish Office on 02894 42278.

**Music at St Joseph's** There is an urgent need to recruit an organist or guitarist or pianist, if you or someone you know would be interested in this position please contact Canon McBride as soon as possible.

**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 of each Church. To access the broadcasts: [www.churchmedia.tv](http://www.churchmedia.tv) The webcams 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.

**Renovation of Mater Dei Church.** Thank you to the parishioner's for the donation of £1,000 and anonymous donation of £1,000 towards rows of seats in Mater Dei. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. There are some remaining rows available for anyone who wishes to donate. The funds raised will go towards the costs associated with the renovation. The newly renovated Mater Dei church is our legacy for future generations in our parish.

### Collection 12/04/26

Weekly Offering: £2,738

Monthly Offering: £2,020

**Thank you for your generosity**

### Parish Easter Draw 2025-26 (Week 50)

Winner £50 Paula Herriott (Crumlin)

Winner £100 Fionnuala Brennan (Glenavy)

Winner £500 Ann McCauley (Aldergrove)

Winner £1,000 Colette O'Brien (Nutts Corner)

**Congratulations to our winners!**

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

**The Legion of Mary** We meet on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Annex of St Joseph's church, Glenavy for further information 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.

**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 Canon McBride in confidence

**Liturgical 'Sign of Peace'** The Sign of Peace remains an integral part of the celebration of the Eucharist and has been reintroduced as a normal practice across the Diocese. The customary expression of the Sign of Peace in Ireland is a handshake. However, other non-contact forms of the sign of peace such as a nod, a bow or a smile are also legitimate expressions of the Sign of Peace. No offence should be taken if someone prefers to express a non-contact Sign of Peace. The Diocese encourages all to continue to exercise good hygienic practices, and if you exhibit flu-like symptoms, you are encouraged to remain at home.

**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

**Church Webcam** The church webcam for live stream of Masses can be accessed via the Parish Website [www.glenavyandkilleadparish.com](http://www.glenavyandkilleadparish.com) Go to the top line and click on webcams and pick either **Mater Dei** or **Glenavy**. It can also be accessed at [www.churchmedia.tv](http://www.churchmedia.tv). Select **Antrim** & search for **St Joseph's, Glenavy or Mater Dei, Crumlin** and the churches will appear. Click on the play button to view live stream.

**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.

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

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**Can you spare half an hour per month?** The St. Martha's cleaning team in Mater Dei would like your help, if you can help by joining this important team, please leave your name & number at the parish office.