

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 & 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** stdareshallbooking@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.

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

Hola! A new beginner Spanish class for all ages kicks off in Crumlin on Saturday, 29 August 26. Come along to our Welcome Event on Saturday, 13 June, 10.15am-11am at Aldergrove GAA Clubhouse—meet the teacher & find out what's in store. If interested, please contact Thomas on 07737 138633

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto results 14.05.26. Winning no's 13-18-20-27 Jackpot £6,750 No Jackpot Winner. 2 Lucky dip Winners £25 each-Nicola Burns & Oonagh Philips. Next week's jackpot is worth £6,800. The members of St. Joseph's GAC Thank you for your support.

Summer Singing Course for young people aged 8 – 16. St Peter's Cathedral Belfast, 6 – 10 July 26. Book by 30 May for 5-day course. For more information email cathedralsinging@downandconnor.org

One Day Retreat, Tobar Mhuire, Crossgar, Saturday 6 June 26, 10am – 4pm, guided by Fr John Verghese. Limited spaces (£30 pp). To book or for more information 02844 830242.

Encounter Weekend Donegal, Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. 6pm - 10.30pm Friday 5 June. 9am - 10.30pm, Saturday 6 June. Come and be refreshed and empowered by the Holy Spirit and learn from the Saints how to live the lifestyle God intended you to live. For more information see <https://encounterschoolofministrydonegal.regfox.com/encounter-conference-donegal> or email donegal@encounterschool.org.

All-Ireland Rally for Life takes place in Belfast on Saturday 4 July. Coaches will be travelling from towns across Northern Ireland. To book your seat contact **02890278484/ 07592280522** or email info@preciouslife.com

Parish Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall
EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.
JACKPOT £1,000 IN 51 NUMBERS



Pentecost Sunday **24 May 2026**

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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Spirit Alive

Someone dies and we say he kept his spirit alive to the end; or we say that 'his spirit lives on'. A word we talk of easily. It's something elusive; you can't pin it down. It comes from somewhere. Maybe from parents, a spirit of endurance or being able to make it through tough time; or from our prayer and faith. We talk of good team spirit, or of a person who kept joyful and courageous to the end. Today is the feast of the Spirit of God, alive, active and joyful.




The flame of the Spirit of love is the flame of God. The tongues of fire over the apostles and the followers of Jesus were flames of love, the Spirit of God that would burn on the inside forever. Pentecost is the flame of God's own love, given to his followers to mark the birth of the community, the body of Jesus, the church. It is the spirit of forgiveness always, a gift of the first Pentecost. Did this blow in Ireland during the Royal visit of the British queen Elizabeth a few years ago, or when the Good Friday Agreement and other peace agreements were signed, when the call came for a new reconciliation among people hurt badly in the times of the troubles?

Compassion, mercy, forgiveness and a hope for justice for all are gifts we ask from the Spirit who blows among us strongly today.

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25–31 May 2026 Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm
Tue		7pm Thomas Brankin & Rosaleen Maginnis (Anniv) Special Intention Rosary at 6.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm Adoration 7.30—8.30pm	 <b style="color: red;">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
Wed		9.30am Samuel (Sammy) Cushnahan (Months Mind) Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. 7pm—9pm Adoration		
Fri	9.30am John McShane (Anniv)		
Sat	1pm Wedding	6pm Paula McNeice (Anniv) Patricia Morgan (Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00pm Sonya Higham (Months Mind)	10.45am Seamus O'Boyle (Anniv) Maura Connolly (Anniv)	

Recently Deceased Eamon Devereux (*Chapel Road*)

Months Mind Sammy Cushnahan, Sonya Higham

Anniversaries Patrick McCallin (1st), Olive McLornan, Thomas McKeever, Brenda McCloy, Mary Loughan, Thomas Brankin, Rosaleen Maginnis, Eamon McGurnaghan, Hugh McPeake, Mary Kelly, Sarah Hendron, Roland & William McCorry

Sanctuary Lamps Falloon Family, Special Intention—McMullan Family

Weddings Congratulations to Rebecca Marquess and Seamus McGarry who were married in Christ.

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.

Collection 17/05/26

Weekly Offering: £2,805
 Education of Diocesan Priests: £1,102

Thank you for your generosity

The Future of Feumore Mass Centre The Parish Finance Committee have prepared a Consultation document on the Future of Feumore Mass Centre. The document is available at the back of the churches for your perusal. The Parish Finance Committee invites you to respond to the options by completing the form attached to the back of the Consultation document. Please return your completed response to the Parish Office no later than **12noon on Friday 29 May 2026**.

The Annual Blessing of Graves St Joseph's, Sunday 28/06/26 @ 3pm
 St James, Sunday 5/07/26 @ 3pm, Crumlin Cemetery Sunday 5/07/26 @ 4.15pm.
 There will be a gate collection for the upkeep of the graveyards.

Prayer for those in our parish who are doing Examinations This month of May going into June, is a very important time for many people. It is exam time! It can be a time of anxiety and worry. Much depends on these few weeks the outcome of which can have a huge effect on the direction of the rest of their lives. During the month of May, at the back of each Church in our parish a book is available in which the names of those taking exams may be entered. You can also add the name of their school, college, university, or company, if you wish. This book will be placed in the sanctuary of the Church during each Mass when we will acknowledge all those listed in the book and pray for their success and peace of mind. Our Lady seat of Wisdom, pray for them.

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.

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.

Deacons Those who are discerning a vocation to the permanent diaconate are encouraged to make contact with the Diocesan Director for the Permanent Diaconate, b.lockhart@downandconnor.org. Rev Brett Lockhart.

Coffee in The Courtyard We would like to resume coffee in the courtyard after 10.45am Mass in Mater Dei, weather permitting. Volunteers are needed. If you can help, please contact the Parish office.

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.

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.

Parish Office is closed on Monday 25 May 2026 and will reopen on Tuesday 26 May 2026

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

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.

Church Webcam The church webcam for live stream of Masses can be accessed via the Parish Website 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. 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. 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.

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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

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