

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

A TASTE OF SUMMER MADNESS – SATURDAY 27 JUNE, 9AM–10PM

Koinonia Youth & Antrim, Randalstown & Duneane Youth Ministry invite 11–17-year-olds from across the Diocese to a special day of fun, faith & friendship at Summer Madness in Our Lady of Bethlehem Abbey, Portglenone. Enjoy all the festival action for just £15 (lunch and dinner included). Bishop Alan will be hosting a special Bishop's BBQ and will celebrate Vigil Mass on Saturday evening. Festival Info: www.SummerMadness.co.uk

Register or more info: Br Darren O'Reilly – darren@koinonia.ie 07752154369

BELFAST JESUIT CENTRE Thursday 25 June at 7pm, Greta Gerwig's *Barbie*.

Though bright & playful on the surface, the film offers a thoughtful reflection on truth, dignity, and the journey toward becoming who God created us to be. All are welcome. Small donation suggested.

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 & 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 dub 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.

Parish Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall

EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.

JACKPOT £1,000 IN 51 NUMBERS



**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
14 June 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)
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A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community

Why Sunday Matters

The journey of faith often comes with its own set of challenges. Many, particularly the younger generation, feel disconnected from the Church due to past abuses and how these were addressed. Alongside this, the pressures of modern life, the increasing levels of anxiety and mental health difficulties – especially among young people – together with the lingering effects of the pandemic, have contributed to a sense of distance from the Church.

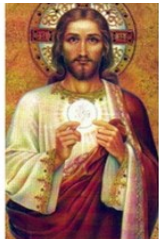
However, Sunday Eucharist continues to be a source of hope, life, and profound meaning. It invites us to participate in the celebration of Christ's death and resurrection, the Paschal Mystery. In this sacred celebration, we have the opportunity to be transformed, to receive God's grace, and to become the best versions of ourselves. As we navigate life, with all its joys and struggles, the Eucharist offers us the community and support we need to flourish and grow in faith.

Mass is not just a personal act of devotion; it is a communal act of worship. We go to God together. The Sunday Mass is where the Church is most visibly alive, and where every member of the community plays an essential role. Each person's participation is needed for the Church to truly live. It is important to gather physically for Mass, and although technology is helpful, it can never replace the tangible experience of being with the community as we listen to God's word and receive the Body of Christ. We invite you to consider how your presence at Mass can contribute to making the Church visible and alive.

The Sunday Mass is not only a time for worship but also for mission. Having listened to God's word and received the gift of Christ's Body and Blood, we are sent to live out our faith in the world as missionaries; sent to share the love of Christ with others. As we participate in the Sunday Mass, we receive not only spiritual nourishment but also the strength to live out our Christian mission in daily life. As the late Pope Francis reminded us, 'We do not go to Mass in order to give something to God, but to receive what we truly need from Him. In this spirit, we are called to approach the Eucharist not out of obligation, but with a deep desire for spiritual transformation.' This is why attending Mass on Sundays is so vital – it nurtures and nourishes our faith and prepares us for the mission to which we are called. We invite you to reflect on how your participation in Sunday Mass helps you to live as a missionary disciple, bringing the hope and joy of the Gospel to those around you, and to the world at large.

**Extract from an invitation to reflect on Sunday Mass
Irish Catholic Bishop's Conference**

15—21 June 2026 Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm
Tue		7pm Fiona Shannon (Anniv) 6.30pm Rosary 7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30—8.30pm Adoration	
Wed		9.30am Helen Mulholland (Anniv) In Honour of Our Lady of The Immaculate Heart Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am Ballymacrick Leavers Mass Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am Noel McComb (1st Anniv)		
Sat		5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.00pm P.P.	
Sun	9.30am Pat Mac Creanor (Anniv) Imelda Shephard (Anniv) 12.00pm Mass on The Grass Kathleen Nelson (Anniv) Frank & Anne Armstrong (Anniv)	10.45am Josephine Nelson (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

ANNUAL MASS ON THE GRASS will be celebrated on Sunday 21 June 2026 at 12pm on the pitch of St Joseph's GAC, weather permitting. Please come along.

DOWN & CONNOR PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES. The return to a larger pilgrimage brings with it its own challenge. Support is provided to those who require care and support to travel, young people who travel and the volunteers. There has been a noticeable increase in costs associated with travel & materials required while in Lourdes and for administering the pilgrimage. To help support the pilgrimage a church door collection will be taken up after Masses this weekend, 13 & 14 June 2026

ST JOSEPH'S ST VINCENT DE PAUL SENIOR CITIZENS SUMMER BUS TRIP Saturday 27 June 2026 to Newcastle with High Tea. Leaving St Clare's Hall carpark at 9am. Cost is £15 (minimum donation) per person. To reserve seats please ring 07764 797963. Limited numbers, book by Sunday 14 June 2025.

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.

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.

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 GLENNAVY 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.

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.

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.

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

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.

FEUMORE MASS CENTRE CONSULTATION Thank you to those who took part in the recent consultation. In view of the choices favoured, the present provision for Eucharistic Adoration only, will continue.

Month's Mind Robert McManus

Anniversaries Noel McComb (1st), Joe Patton, Sarah Jordan, Thomas Boyle Fiona Shannon, Helen Mulholland, Emer Heatley, Sean Connor, Canon Daniel McEvoy, Fr John O'Sullivan, Eileen Heatley, Edward Moore, Bridie Wilkinson, Kathleen Murray, Ann Moore, Kevin Biesty, Sheila Lavery, Roy Lavery, Kathleen McStocker, Bernie McStocker, Thomas Henry.

Sanctuary lamp intentions: Deceased Devereux Family

Collection 7 June 2026

Weekly Offering: £3,130

Monthly Stipend: £2,448

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2026-27 (Week 6)

Winner £50 Jim Mulholland (*Glenavy*)

Winner £100 Nuala McAreavey (*Ballinderry Upper*)

Congratulations to our winners!

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.

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 and don't already do so, 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 the parish secretary or Canon McBride in confidence. Please note that there is a separate account number for the Parish Draw and this should not be used when making a weekly donation.

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 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.