

Bishop Alan & Dr Abigail Favale – Conversation on the Ordination of Women. This is a very honest & open conversation with Bishop Alan and Dr Abigail regarding the conversation around ordaining Women. To watch the video <https://www.downandconnor.org> - [Conversation between Bishop Alan McGuckian and Dr Abigail Favale.mp4](#).

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.

Clonard Solemn Novena 17 - 25 June 2026 Weekdays: 6:45am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 4pm, 6pm, 8pm. Saturday & Sunday: 6:45am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 4pm, 6pm, 8pm. Sacrament of the Sick Saturday, 20 June at 9:30am, 11:30am & 6pm Procession in Thanksgiving to Our Mother of Perpetual Help After the final 8:00pm Mass on Thursday, 25 June.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Monday 8 June** at 7.30pm in the Crowne Plaza, Shaws Bridge, Belfast.

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 cathedralmusic@downandconnor.org

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.

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

Aldergrove Cottage Open Days: Parishioners are warmly invited to visit our Open Days as we celebrate one year of supporting children, adults and families with their mental health and wellbeing in Aldergrove Cottage. Friday 12 June (9:30am–5pm)– Open Day for professionals and community members Saturday 13 June (12pm–5pm) – Family Open Afternoon. Come along for a chat, explore our therapeutic space, learn about our services, and enjoy some simple wellbeing activities. Everyone welcome! For more information visit: www.aldergrovecottage.co.uk or Contact Laura: 07817684432

St. Joseph's GAC: Lotto results 28.05.26. Winning no's 11–16–18–20 Jackpot £6,850 No Jackpot Winner. 2 Lucky dip Winners £25 each- J McGlyan – Gavin McKevitt. Next week's jackpot is worth £6,900. **The members of St. Joseph's GAC Thank you for your support.**

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



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
7 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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Secretary: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278
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The feast today highlights the central place of the Eucharist in Christian life, our faith that God becomes present in a real way in ordinary bread and wine - food for the journey of life in the bread, energy and joy for the journey of life in the wine. and the wine of the coming of the Lord. Bread and wine were very much part of the ordinary food of the people of his time, and also of their religious life. People would remember the bread in the desert and the wine of the coming of the Lord.



Each time we come to Mass, we take part in a real way in the death and resurrection of the Lord, The sacrifice of Christ on the cross and his resurrection is 'made present' among us. It is a place and time of grace.

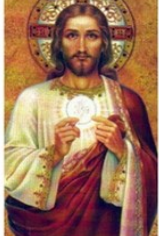
So our Eucharist today is not just to commemorate something that happened many years ago. It is our commitment to Christ in his people, and our faith in his real presence among us in the Eucharist and in each other.

Jesus asks us to share the bread and cup, to proclaim this 'mystery of faith' for all time, we proclaim today that the Jesus of the tabernacle is the Jesus within all of us. Let's be amazed that within each of us, God dwells in Jesus Christ.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J
Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew
CatholicIreland.net

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.

8—14 June 2026 Mass Intentions

	St Joseph's	Mater Dei	St James
Mon	9.30am Communion Service	11am Funeral	Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm
Tue		7pm Sean Mallon (Months Mind) 6.30pm Rosary 7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30—8.30pm Adoration	
Wed		9.30am Holy Souls Adoration 10am—12pm	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am William & Margaret McPhilemy & son Michael (Anniv)		
Sat	6.00pm Sarah Jordan (Anniv) Joe Patton (Anniv)	5.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sun	9.30am P.P. 12.00pm Thomas Boyle (Anniv)	10.45am Robert McManus (Months Mind)	Feumore Mass Centre Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm Mon Adoration

Recently Deceased Eilish Toland (*St James' Meadow*) Margaret Clenaghan (*Ballinderry Road*)

Month's Mind Sean Mallon

Anniversaries Francis Auld (1st), Marie Auld, Kitty Auld, Katrina Connolly, Margaret & Thomas Hamilton, Francis McCann, Jarlath Brankin, Joe & Bridie Johnston, William McCorry, William & Margaret McPhilemy, Michael McPhilemy, Sean Barbour, Charlie McKeown, Jim McKeown, Madge Jordan, Agnes Trowlen, Sheila O'Neill, Bridie Morgan, Tony Prior.

Sanctuary lamp intentions: Brenda McCloy, F,G,J,J,M &M

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.

Weddings Congratulations to Rebecca Heaney & Conor Clarke who were married in Christ.

Collection 31 May 2026

Weekly Offering: £3,280

Thank you for your generosity

Down & Connor Diocesan Novena to The Sacred Heart, June 4 - 12, the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. . Come to Me.

These words of Jesus are among the most tender in all of the Gospels. They are not a command but an invitation - offered freely, offered personally, offered to each one of us. To set aside time each day for prayer is to say yes to that invitation. It is a simple act, yet a profound one. In the busyness of our lives - with all their demands, their joys, and their anxieties - to pause and turn our hearts toward Jesus is itself a form of love.

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 next weekend, 13 & 14 June 2026

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 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.

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.

Parish Draw 2026-27

(Week 4) Winner £50 Margaret Nelson (*Glenavy*)
Winner £100 Ellen Forrester (*Glenavy*)

(Week 5) Winner £50 Joseph Brankin (*Ballinderry Upper*)
Winner £100: Elaine Mulholland (*Glenavy*)
Winner £500: Gary O'Neill (*Crumlin*)

Congratulations to our winners!

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

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.

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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