

ST CLARE'S HALL is temporarily closed for renovations.

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. JOSEPH'S GAC: Lotto results 10 July 2026 Winning no's 2-4-16-18 Jackpot £7,150 No Jackpot Winner. 2 Lucky dip Winners, £25 each – M Fallon – Tanya Gilbride. Next week's jackpot is worth £7,200. The members of St. Joseph's GAC Thank you for your support.

NAOMH SEAMAS CLG Sponsored Walk 2026 Join us on Sunday 26 July for our inaugural club sponsored walk. Bring the kids, the dog, family & friends – everyone is welcome! Divis Lower Car Park, Ridge Trail, approx. 4.2 miles. In support of Action Mental Health, who provide vital mental health services across our community. Your support helps the club continue to grow and develop for future generations. Donations can be made here: <https://gofund.me/23a467848> Ní Neart Go Cur Le Chéile

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 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.

WORDS OF SPIRIT AND LIFE An evening with Jeff Cavins Sunday 26 July at 7pm in Voco Hotel, Belfast. If you're a catechist, a young adult, or simply drawn to Scripture, come to meet others who love the Word, share in a time of prayer led by Fr Conor McGrath, and be reminded that the words of Jesus are Spirit and they are life. Register Online: <https://tinyurl.com/5h483c83>

24 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS on the Feast of St John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests, 3 – 4 August. The Parish of St Colmcille, 191a Upper Newtownards Rd, Belfast invites you to 24 hours of prayer beginning with Mass at 7pm on Monday 3 August & concluding with Mass at 7pm on Tuesday 4 August, . If you can spare an hour please join us, all are welcome. Please email Fr Conor - c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org

GIVE BLOOD SAVE LIVES. Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service will be at the Leisure Centre in Crumlin on 6 August between 12.30pm and 7.30pm. The link to book an appointment is: <https://nibts.hscni.net/online-booking-for-blood-donation-appointments/> For more information www.nibts.org Tel: 028 9053 4713 / 07823 391 620

Parish Bingo

Due to renovations in St Clare's Community Hall there will be no Bingo for the next two weeks.



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 19 July 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
Parish Support Officer: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278
Email: glenavy@downandconnor.org
Parish Website: glenavyandkilleadparish.com
www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish
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Small Beginnings

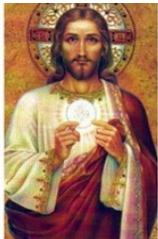
Everything starts small. The mustard seed was a tiny seed that grew into a flowering bush; it was not mustard as we know it, but only a bush to give beauty and shelter. It can remind us of the beauty of creation, and of the caring shelter we can give to others. It is also a reminder that each of us began as a seed in the mother's body and grew with the plan of God.

The love of God grows like that - it begins small with birth and with baptism and then grows wide so that we share our love of God. It is the same with marriage - love begins and then grows so that children and grandchildren and others may shelter in love. Love grows when love is given, in our immediate circle, and in our care for the wider world. Good friendship and love spreads out to many.

We want the kingdom of God on earth and God is saying that it grows slowly. It grows as we try to grow love, peace, justice and compassion. The shelter of the mustard bush is the mercy of God, encouraging our parish to be '*an oasis of mercy*' (Pope Francis). It is not easy, as love and care for the needy often meets with opposition. The kingdom of God grows with the help of God, and without this help, our efforts are in vain.



20—26 July 2026 Mass Intentions

	<u>ST JOSEPH'S</u>	<u>MATER DEI</u>	St James Monday Adoration 7pm—8pm 
Mon	9.30am Communion Service		
Tue		7pm Mona Magennis (Anniv) 6.30pm Rosary 7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30—8.30pm Adoration	
Wed		9.30am P.I. No Adoration in July or August	
Thurs	9.30am P.I. Adoration 7pm—9pm		
Fri	9.30am Patricik Riordan (Anniv) In Honour of St Joachim & Anne		Feumore Mass Centre Sun Adoration 6.30pm—7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm Mon Adoration
Sat		11am Baptisms 6pm Matt O'Brien (Anniv) Kevin Fairley (Anniv)	
Sun	9.30am Malachy Cormican (Anniv) Elizabeth O'Brien (Anniv) 12.00pm P.P..	10. 45am Teresa Heffron (Anniv) Helena, Patrick & Bridget McPeake (Anniv)	

Months Mind Malachy Donnelly, **Anniversaries** Paul Loughlin (1st), Charles Hughes, Patsy Byng, Joe Mooney, John Brankin, Jimmy Armour, Sally Armour, Ellen Keyes, Patrick Riordan, Brigid McGarry, Mona Magennis.

Sanctuary lamp intentions: Moore Family, Special Intention

Adoration No Adoration in Mater Dei on Wednesday mornings in July and August.

Parish Office is closed on Monday 20 July 2026

Collection 12 July 2026

Weekly Offering:

£2,558

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Draw 2026-27 (Week 11)

Winner £50
Winner £100

Brenda Gallagher (Glenavy)
Patricia O'Neill (Glenavy)

Congratulations to our winners!

SAVE THE DATE! FOLLOWING CHRIST

Monday Evenings from 7 September - 17 October 2026, 7-9pm in Mater Dei Pastoral Centre. Following Christ is a 7-week journey of Catholic discipleship. It is designed for those interested in learning about the Catholic Faith or those seeking to deepen or revitalize their faith. It offers practical ways in which to live out the Christian life - to think like, act like and to love like Jesus Christ. Register your interest now by leaving your name and contact details in the parish office, email glenavy@downandconnor.org or Tel. 02894422278

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.

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

THE GLENNAVY BRANCH OF THE APOSTOLIC WORK are organising a one-day Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 16 August 2026. The bus will leave St Joseph's church, Glenavy at 7.45am and will return that evening at approx. 8pm. Cost £35 per person. If you would like to book a seat or would like more information, please contact 07764 797963 or 07752 879591.

COFFEE IN THE COURTYARD during the summer months after 10.45am Mass in Mater Dei, weather permitting. Volunteers are needed. If you can help, please contact the Parish office.

STANDING IN THE BREACH CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT Saturday 25 July 9am – 1pm, Portglenone Monastery. Contact Thomas Carey 07967 620435 or email sean@catholicminute.co.uk

DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST VACANCY - BALLYMENA PARISH YOUTH MINISTER (3 Year Fixed Term Contract). Based at Ballymena Parish, 2/4 Broughshane Road, Ballymena, Co Antrim BT43 7DX, 35 hours per week to include evening & weekend work. Salary range £29k to £31k gross per annum – commensurate upon experience. This is an exciting new role of 'Youth Minister', within the Ballymena Parish, collaborating with the teams within the Family of Parishes, to align youth ministry with the broader mission of the parishes. For full details: <https://www.downandconnor.org> & job vacancies. Or <https://www.nijobs.com/jobs/> Closing date for applications 12 noon on Tuesday 21 July 2026.

DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST VACANCY ST COLMCILLE'S & FAMILY OF PARISHES 'YOUTH MINISTER' (3 Year Fixed Term Contract) Based within our St Colmcille's Parish 191 Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast BT4 3JB, 35 hours per week - evening & weekend work. Salary within the range of £29k to £31k gross per annum – commensurate upon experience. If interested, full details can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies. Also at <https://www.nijobs.com> and the Community NI website. Closing date for applications will be 12 noon on Tuesday 28 July 2026.

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

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.

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.

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 Support Officer 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.

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.