

## <u>Baptism</u> was conferred last weekend on Teidí McCann-Collins, Cara Lydon, Will Costelloe, & Mia O'Neill.

**Bulletin:** we present the bulletin in a different format this week, with a new heading and the content in two columns. Feedback would be very welcome as to which format is preferred, the new or the old!

**Parish IT!** the work of building our long-awaited parish website is now almost complete. Our web designer, Tim O'Leary, having created the platform in January Fr Alex has worked on the content for the past three weeks i.e., he has redesigned our booking forms for Baptism, Weddings, First Communion & Confirmation and taken digital photos of the stained-glass windows in Johnstown to be used in the layout. All the information or content for each section has now been compiled and entered onto the website. This week a meeting will be arranged with Tim O'Leary, Fr Alex and the PP to discuss and agree the final format and launch of the website. A website team of five or six parishioners will then be formed to manage and develop the parish site. **\*\*Change of Eircode:** it only recently came to light that Johnstown church and Parochial House have different Eircodes! We have been using C15 H320 for both but have now realised that the Church Eircode is C15 H320 and the <u>House and Office</u> <u>are C15 D5K3.</u>

Blessing of Graves on Sunday 27th August:	
Mounttown 3pm, Templekieran 5pm, Old Kilcarne 7pm.	

<u>Congratulations to Sr Catherine Lillis</u> and her Columban Community and Tabor House friends who celebrated her *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice (for Service to the Church and the Pope)* award which was conferred by Bishop Deenihan last Saturday.

<u>Annual Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock</u> this weekend. Prayers will be offered for families and people living under the shadow of addiction. Join in via EWTN or www.knockshrine.org.

<u>**The Synod:**</u> the official working document for the first session of the 16<sup>th</sup> Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, was launched on 20<sup>th</sup> June. Full text available at www.synod.ie. <u>**Tara Mines:**</u> we join the priests and parishioners of Navan in keeping in prayer all who have been impacted by events at Tara Mines. A Miner's Lamp has been placed near Our Lady's icon in St Mary's as a sign of solidarity and prayer.

<u>Carpark</u>: many thanks to Philip and Eileen Murtagh for their diligent work in maintaining the car park at Johnstown church. This week the rose bushes were removed as they were obscuring the view of the Parish Office. More work is planned soon for the carpark as the lines and arrows need to be redrawn and consideration given to how we manage the carpark at the expense of the parish when it is being used increasingly by many others who come on business unrelated to church and parish activities.

<u>World Youth Day</u>: the Meath diocesan pilgrim group who will be travelling to World Youth Day in Lisbon received a blessing from Bishop Deenihan last Sunday following the annual Mass in honour of St Oliver Plunkett in Oldcastle. An interactive notice board at the Adoration Chapel at St Mary's, Navan, allows parishioners to register their prayerful support for them in the run-up to WYD2023 with Pope Francis. We are also invited to join with the WYD2023 pilgrims from Navan Parish at the 6pm Mass in St. Mary's on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July to invoke God's blessing on them before they depart for Lisbon.

<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> in St Mary's: IIam - 9pm (Mon-Sat), 2pm - 9pm (Sun), St. Oliver's: Sat IIam - 6pm. Tel 087 798 9890. Adorers needed for: **Mon:** I - 2pm & 3 - 4pm; **Wed:** I -2pm & 5 - 6pm; **Thurs:** IIam -I2noon; I2noon - Ipm, 3 - 4pm & 7 - 8pm; **Fri:** IIam - I2noon; Ipm - 2pm; 2pm - 3pm, 7pm - 8pm & 8pm - 9pm; **Sat:** 2pm - 3pm; Sun: 3pm - 4pm.

<u>Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock</u> Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September. <u>Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock</u> Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August. To book a seat for either pilgrimage Tel 087-9299544

National Grandparents' Pilgrimage to Knock and World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly next Sunday. All are welcome to this celebration of family and faith through the generations. Principal Celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Denis Nulty. www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org. Tel. 087 655 6386 or 086 396 3103.

<u>Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land</u> 24<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2023, Cost is €2095.

Book with Navan Travel - 046 9068600. Enquiries to Fr MacCormack, Pilgrimage Director at Kingscourt Parish – 042 9667314. <u>Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes</u> Sept '23. Joe Walsh Travel 012410800 or info@joewalshtours.ie. Local Contact: 0868770729.

<u>Family Planning</u> – reliable, moral, ethical. Tel 086 2660867 or email familyfirstcc@gmail.com Are you a married couple suffering the pain of infertility or recurrent miscarriage? See www.naprobaby.ie.

<u>Samaritans Drogheda & North East</u> thank all who generously contributed to last weekends' Collection in support of their work. An Outreach team is willing to meet any community to talk about how they try to help those in distress. Free Helpline I16123.

<u>ACCORD</u> is <u>still</u> recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation facilitators. If interested, please call 01 505 3112 or email marriagepreparation@accord.ie for more details. Contact ACCORD branch telephone 902 3146

<u>Athletics Summer Camp</u> at Claremont Stadium, & 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> July, 10am-1pm. For children aged 6-12 years old, will feature sprints, javelin throwing, relays, power jumping and other games. Booking, €30 per child. Call 046 902 9693.

<u>HSE</u> provide a wide range of Home Support Services for the elderly - Carers, Community & Public Health, Nurses, Day-Care etc. Johnstown Health Centre offer advice, information & support to older people and their family carers – contact 046 9020040.

<u>Meath Befriending Service</u> aims to help reduce loneliness or isolation with a weekly home visit. Contact Eva at 085 862 2496.

<u>B.E.</u> - <u>Beginning Experience</u>, support group for those coping with the pain of loss through Death, Separation or Divorce. Tel. 086 087 7379 or bedublin@gmail.com.

<u>Community Employment Schemes</u>: Want a change of career into healthcare? Community Employment (CE) is an opportunity for you. If you are over 21 years of age, on Social Welfare Payment for over I year. Contact Navan EDP CLG Office: 046 907 1938, Mobile: 086 347 0263 Email: navanedp@gmail.com.

<u>Irish Wheelchair Association</u> Cleaning Assistant required. Parttime work placement for 19.5 hours per week through a CE Scheme. For info on this vacancy & eligibility criterion call EDP Scheme office on 046 907 1938.

Last weeks' Offertory: €880.46 Envelopes: €431.90 <u>Bank details for direct debits etc.</u> BOI Navan. A/C name: Johnstown Church Current Account Sort code: 90-35-09. Account Number: 89965174. IBAN IE97 BOFI 9035 0989 9651 74

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