



**Church of the Nativity of Our Lady,
Johnstown**
Eircode – C15 H320

Vigil – 7.30pm;
Sunday – 11am; Latin Mass 1pm
1st & 3rd Saturday Syro-Malabar Mass
Weekdays except Wednesday – 9.30am
Funeral replaces daily Mass
Baptisms – Sunday after 11am Mass
Confession before Vigil Mass.



Parish of Johnstown & Walterstown
Diocese of Meath, 2023 AD

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**Church of the Assumption of Our Lady
Walterstown**
Eircode – C15 HX36

Vigil – 6pm
Sunday – 9.30am
Baptisms – by arrangement
Confession before Vigil Mass
Church open daily for prayer

Parish Office: The Parish Secretary, AnneMarie McGrane, is available at the Parochial House on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10am to 1pm for Mass bookings, the issuing of certificates, appointments, and other parish business

Sacristans: Johnstown: Mary Macneil: Tel: 085 7443129; Walterstown: Ann Farrelly Tel: 087 9901277

Society of St Vincent de Paul: Johnstown, contact Freefone 1800 677 777 Ext. 2

Safeguarding Children: The Parish of Johnstown/Walterstown has adopted and implemented the Meath Diocesan Safeguarding Children Policy and Procedures, available at www.meathsafeguarding.ie
Designated Contact Person-Marie O’Sullivan 083 3175742 dlp@dioceseofmeath.ie Marie Willoughby dlp@dioceseofmeath.ie

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Carol Coogan 085-1916347 & Emer O’Connor 087-6778682



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 19th August

6.00pm - pro populo - for the People of the Parish

7.30pm - Nuala Wall - 13th Anniversary;
Sheila Lynch

Sunday 20th August

9.30am - Niall & Sheila McNelis & their sons - Danny & Joe

11.00am - pro populo - for the People of the Parish

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 26th August

6.00pm - Theresa & Bertie Tallon,
Theresa’s parents James & Peggy McManus &
their son Seamus

7.30pm - John Keogan - 2nd Anniversary

Sunday 27th August

9.30am - Phil Brady - 24th Anniversary

11.00am - pro populo - for the People of the Parish

Rest in Peace: We commend to God the soul of **Alice Eiffe**, (mother of Kathryn O’Sullivan at St. Stephen’s) laid to rest on Monday.

Baptism was celebrated last weekend for **Cadhla Hannon, Mary Adesuwa Agbonze & Bernard Efosa Agbonze.**

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

***‘The Kilcarne Font’ a new, illustrated brochure available at the Font in Johnstown church. Please take one home!

A message from Fr Alex: With joy and gratitude for the almost two months that I have spent in the Parish of Johnstown-Walterstown, upon my leaving on Monday, I would like to thank the Lord for having worked through me for the good of the people of this Parish. A thought of gratitude is offered to Bishop Thomas Deenihan who accepted my stay in the Parish and entrusted to me a pastoral work. The highest feeling of gratitude is towards each and every parishioner whom I may or may not have met directly. I am grateful and thankful for all the pastoral enrichment that I have received through encouragement, words, generosity and friendship from the people of the Parish and pray to God that all will be blessed by God’s graces and protection.

My most sincere and total gratitude is given to Fr. Michael for not only having invited me to take part of the Parish he shepherds, but invited and accepted me to take part in his home, sharing with me his spiritual and human life. I am grateful to him for the generous means through which he has made my stay here the most helpful, friendly, comfortable and enjoying experience one would be able to ask for from a host and that he has shared with me one of the most enriching spiritual and life experiences of my life. Even though my capacities were very limited, I do hope that I was able to bring at least the slightest help to his so dedicated ministry. Once again, thank you to every single person from the Parish and I will always remember, be grateful and pray for the people with whom I lived two months of my life and that shared with me their lives.

Meath Heritage Week - many thanks to Christopher O’Brien-Lynch who gave a fascinating and engaging talk to a large crowd last Tuesday on the Norman church of St Stephen at Old Kilcarne and a most descriptive overview of our parish history spanning 800 years.

St Mary’s, Navan: 8am daily Mass will resume on Monday 28th August.

Navan and Johnstown/Walterstown Parish Eucharistic Adoration Renewal takes place on 26th/27th August.

Eucharistic Adoration has brought many graces and blessings to the parishes of Navan, Johnstown and Walterstown and the whole area in the past thirty-four years. Navan Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration invites us to join in Adoration of the Most Holy Sacrament by committing to one hour per week. Speakers will say a word to us at all Masses next weekend and **invitation cards** will be distributed this weekend encouraging us to commit to a weekly hour of adoration or to invite a family member or friend to join us.

Eucharistic Adoration in St Mary's: 11am - 9pm (Mon-Sat), 2pm - 9pm (Sun), St. Oliver's: Sat 11am - 6pm. Tel 087 798 9890.

World Youth Day: our parish was well represented at WYD in Lisbon by four young and active parishioners Osagumwenro, Holly, Andrea and Katie. They found it a wonderful, enriching, exciting experience of faith and friendship and have been invited to give the parish a report of the event and experience in their own words. We look forward to their stories in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

Padre Pio Devotions & Mass on Wednesday 6th September in St Oliver's Church. Fr Bryan Shortall from the Padre Pio Apostolate office will be the Principal Celebrant. Veneration of the relic from 7:10pm during the Rosary; Mass at 7:30pm followed by Benediction.

Tara Mines: we join the priests and parishioners of Navan in still keeping in prayer all who have been impacted by events at Tara Mines. A Miner's Lamp continues to burn near Our Lady's icon in St Mary's as a sign of solidarity and prayer.

Walking Pilgrimage from Tara to Slane on Saturday 26th August. Booking forms available from Navan Parish Office.

Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock - Sunday 24th September. To book a seat, Tel 087-9299544.

50th Anniversary of the East Meath Pioneer Region - Sunday 24th September: Mass will be celebrated in Johnstown Church at 3pm, followed by dinner and a social evening at the Ardboyne Hotel. Music by Matt Leavy. Tickets €30. Presentation of Pioneer Silver, Gold & Diamond Emblems and Certificates will be made on the day to eligible members. (Please inform, if applicable) Tickets now available from the Regional Committee and local centres. For Information: Jim 0876501915; Mary 086 3592636; Chris 087 6766586.

Columbanus Cultural Heritage Festival - Sunday 2nd Sept in St Finian's church & Community Centre, Clonard, 11am – 5pm. It will explore the importance of Clonard on the Columban Way/Turas Columbanus. 11am "Power and Patronage in medieval Ireland: Clonard 6th – 12th centuries"; 12noon "Via Musica" with Schola Hyberniae; 1pm light lunch; 1:30pm Presentation of the Columban Way pilgrim route; 2pm Pilgrim Walk to St Finian's Well; 2:45pm Irish Music at the well. See: turascolumbanus@gmail.com

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: 24th November – 2nd December. Cost is €2,095. Book with Navan Travel - 046 9068600. Enquiries to Kingscourt Parish – 042 9667314.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on 12th September with Bishop Deenihan. The 4-night & 6-night options are booked out. Places still available for the 5-night option. Booking on JWT Travel Ltd, Tel: 02410800.

Family Planning: 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

HSE 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 046 9020040.

Meath Befriending Service aims to help reduce loneliness or isolation with a weekly home visit. Info: Eva 085 862 2496.

Beginning Experience, support for coping with death, separation or divorce. Tel. 086 087 7379 or bedublin@gmail.com.

Community Employment Schemes: 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 1 year.
Contact Navan EDP CLG Office: 046 907 1938, Mobile: 086 347 0263. Email: navanedp@gmail.com

6-week Course in How to use Smartphones and Tablets: Claremont Stadium, starting 5th September, 7pm-9pm. Ideal for older people or anyone looking to increase their confidence with smart devices. Registration essential to guarantee a place.
Contact events@claremontstadium.ie / (046) 902 9693. Course is funded and delivered by LMETB Community Education Service.

Heart Smart: 6-week fitness and movement class for over 50s starts 11th Sept at 10.30am, Claremont Stadium, with David Rock of D.R Fitness. Registration is €60. To book - 046 902 9693.

Irish Wheelchair Association Cleaning Assistant required. Part-time 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.

St Mary's Musical Society (SMMS) presents Summer Cabaret 'Movies and Musicals' in Solstice Art Centre on Fri 25th & Sat 26th August @ 7.30pm. Bookings: Tel: 046 909 2300 or @ www.solsticecentre.ie. Tickets €17 or €60 for Family of 4

Royal Tara Bridge Club: Bridge commences Friday 8th September 7:30pm Dalgan Park. New members welcome. Tel 086-8376669.

Last weeks' Offertory: €657.12 Envelopes: €560.50
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