



**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](http://www.meathsafeguarding.ie)

Designated Contact Person-Marie O'Sullivan 083 3175742 [dlp@dioceseofmeath.ie](mailto:dlp@dioceseofmeath.ie) Marie Willoughby [dlp@dioceseofmeath.ie](mailto:dlp@dioceseofmeath.ie)

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



**The Transfiguration of the Lord**

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August**

**6.00pm - Nancy Clarke (McCabe) - 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary**

**7.30pm - Eileen McCabe (née Husband) Month's Mind  
Martina Kane**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

**9.30am - pro populo - for the People of the Parish**

**11.00am -**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

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

**7.30pm - Amanda Flynn - 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August**

**9.30am - pro populo - for the People of the Parish**

**11.00am - Tommy Russell - 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Baptism** was celebrated last Sunday with the family of **Hugh Edward Gannon**.

**Daily Mass** – no 9.30am Mass on Monday, August Bank Holiday. Mass at 10am in St. Mary's. No 7:30pm Mass in St. Oliver's.

**Blessing of Graves on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August: Mounttown 3pm, Templekieran 5pm, Old Kilcarne 7pm**

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023:** On this Feast of the Transfiguration Pope Francis celebrates the concluding WYD Mass for the estimated over one million gathered in Lisbon. Forty-four young pilgrims from the Diocese of Meath, including four from our parish and eight from Navan, with Bishop Tom, have participated in this past week's programme of events including the *Rise Up Encounters*, a series of talks, discussions, prayer and reflections. They have attended a variety of cultural, religious and festival events to celebrate the joy of this global gathering of young Catholics.

Pope Francis presided over the *Welcome Ceremony*, *The Way of the Cross* and over the weekend the *Prayer Vigil* and now the WYD Mass this Sunday morning. At the end of this WYD Mass Pope Francis will bless the youth for the ongoing Mission which we all share as the witnesses to Christ, under the protection of Our Lady of Fatima.

Check out online [www.dioceseofmeath.ie](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie) and also [www.lisboa2023.org](http://www.lisboa2023.org) to see what has been happening at WYD!

**RTE1 are broadcasting the World Youth Day closing Mass live this Sunday at 8:55am.**

The **Diocesan Website** has been updated with World Youth Day and Education resources which may be of interest.

**WYD Mass at Slane this Sunday** with Archbishop Martin as part of the *Light the Fire* rosary/healing service for WYD. Sister Briega McKenna will lead the healing service while Dana will sing her new *Song for Saint Patrick* which recalls how our Patron saint lit the fire of faith on Slane in 433AD. All welcome **12:15pm - 4:30pm**. (Hill of Slane, Co. Meath C15 DV76) [hillofslaneaugust6@gmail.com](mailto:hillofslaneaugust6@gmail.com).

**Navan and Johnstown/Walterstown parish Eucharistic Adoration Renewal** takes place on 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> August. Eucharistic Adoration has brought many graces and blessings 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 at all Mass that weekend and invitation cards will be distributed encouraging us to commit to a weekly hour of adoration.

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

**St Mary's, Navan:** 8am daily Mass will resume on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

**The Synod:** the official working document for the first session was launched on 20th June. Full text at [www.synod.ie](http://www.synod.ie).

**Parish Projects:** a meeting was held with a stonemason to arrange the cleaning of the headstones in Johnstown churchyard which have become illegible with the passage of time and the elements; to re-do the lettering on the monument erected to mark the Jubilee Year 2000 and the Old School plaque in the wall of the car park. It is hoped to move the Baptismal Font back two feet to allow more room for christenings and for the crib at Christmas, and to set it on an octagonal limestone base to give it a better sense of proportion. The little marble knobs missing from the altar for many years will also be replaced. This work should be carried out at the end of August.

**Fleadh Cheoil:** two events will be hosted in the Cathedral of Christ the King during the Fleadh. Both will provide a rich tapestry of sound and reflection at the service of the liturgy: Fuaimlaoi with Emmet Cahill on Friday 11th August at 7pm & Cór Chúil Aodha with Seán Ó Sé on Saturday 12th August at 8:30pm.

**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 now available from Navan Parish Office.

**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August. Anointing of the Sick 2.30pm, Mass 3pm.  
Preacher - Fr. Declan Hurley Adm. Navan, with the Diocesan Choir directed by Jim Walsh, Organist Jane Lynch.  
Bus leaving Fair Green at 8am. Tel 087 929 9544

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

**Under Mary's Mantle - Young Adult Conference:** All Hallows College, DCU. 19th /20th August. Talks, workshops, Mass and good company. Speakers include Bishop Cullinan, Michael Kelly and Sally Read. Cost €60; Sat only €40; Sun only €30.  
Call 085 1442423 or Eventbrite or deusetpatria@gmail.com

**Upcoming Pilgrimages to Knock Shrine:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August. Bus from Fairgreen 8:30am. Tel 087 252 9944.  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August, Anniversary of the Apparition. Tel 087 618 9148

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the East Meath Pioneer Region** - Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 are now available from the Regional Committee and local centres. For Information: Jim 0876501915; Mary 086 3592636; Chris 087 6766586.

**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** 24<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2023, Cost is €2,095.  
Book with Navan Travel - 046 9068600. Enquiries to Kingscourt Parish – 042 9667314.

**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** on September 12<sup>th</sup> under the leadership of 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](http://www.naprobaby.ie).

**ACCORD** is still recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation facilitators. If interested, please call 01 505 3112 or email [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie) for more details. Contact ACCORD branch telephone 902 3146

**Meath Heritage week 12<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> August:** Mr Christopher O'Brien-Lynch will give a talk on the history of Old Kilcarne Cemetery and St Stephen's Church on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm in the cemetery.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:navanedp@gmail.com)

**6-week Course in How to use Smartphones and Tablets:** Claremont Stadium, starting 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:events@claremontstadium.ie) / (046) 902 9693. Course is funded and delivered by LMETB Community Education Service.

**Heart Smart:** 6 weeks fitness and movement class for the over 50s starts 11<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am, Claremont Stadium, with David Rock of D.R Fitness. Focus on basic movement exercises, light weight lifting and other exercises for heart 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.

Last weeks' Offertory: €844.56 Envelopes: €562.40  
**Bank details for direct debits etc.** BOI Navan.  
A/C name: Johnstown Church Current Account  
Sort code: 90-35-09. Account Number: 89965174.  
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