



**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)

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



**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

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

**7.30pm - Jack & Betty Daly & deceased members of Daly family;**

**Graham O'Grady - Months' Mind;**

**James & Elizabeth Callan & son Vincent**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October**

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

**11.00am - Jim & Dorothy Delahunty**

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

**6.00pm - Josephine Cummins**

**7.30pm - Paddy & Vera Allen;**

**Gerry Davis - 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv, son Karl & Mary Elliott**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

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

**11.00am - Seán Cahill - 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary;**

**Joe Carroll - 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary;**

**Seamus Reilly - 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & his father Tom**

**Baptism** was celebrated last weekend with the family of **Nathaniel Patrick Hopkins & Isabella Diane Watts.**

**First Friday:** Mass will be offered for all those whose names appear on the Altar List of the Dead. Communion calls as usual.

**Harvest Thanksgiving** on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> October at 11am Mass, with a display also at Walterstown.

**Annual Service of Remembrance and Prayer** for the dead and bereaved on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm

**Diocesan news:** as reported in last week's bulletin, there has been a meeting of the **Council of Priests**, made up of priest-delegates from each Deanery, and a meeting of **Navan Deanery**. Both meetings centred on the current state and needs of the diocese with fewer priests, smaller congregations and fewer active parishioners, yet with 69 parishes, 150 churches and many other ministries and activities to support. Clearly, significant change is required across all areas of parish life. No parish is an island and all must now work together to develop a plan for the next 5-10 years.

No change can be undertaken or even discussions held without the input and participation of the lay faithful, who may indeed be more adaptable, inventive and creative than the clergy imagine!

An Assembly of the clergy takes place for two days in November and thereafter the process of consultation and collaboration at parish level will begin in collaboration with the bishop, priests and the newly formed **Pastoral Assemblies** in every parish.

**Syro-Malabar celebration** - on Saturday we welcome Bishop Deenihan & Bishop Stephen Chirapanath, Apostolic Visitor for the Syro-Malabar Church in Europe for Mass & procession at 10.30am and an afternoon of celebration of Keralese Catholic culture at Dalgan Park from 1pm with the 65 families who comprise our thriving Syro-Malabar Mass Centre from Johnstown, Navan, Trim & Kells. All are welcome to the Mass on Saturday and to a preparatory Mass on Friday starting at 5.30pm with the raising of the Papal Flag!

**Family Adoration** - this Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct, 4pm in St Oliver's. All welcome for Rosary, Reflection, Benediction. Tea and a chat.

**PTAA:** Last Sunday afternoon, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass of East Meath Pioneer Region was offered in Johnstown church. We are grateful for the sum of **€417.58** generously donated by the PTAA and to Walterstown Childrens' Choir for their beautiful singing.

During the coming weeks of the **Synod in Rome**, regular updates available on [www.navanparish.ie/synod](http://www.navanparish.ie/synod)

**Eucharistic Adoration Apostolate** still needs Adorers to transfer from hours with too many or too few Adorers to the following times: Friday 10am, Sat. 3pm, Sun. 8am, 9am, 12 noon 1pm & 2pm. Tel: 0877989890

**Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood** in St Oliver's, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm. Live on Facebook Page: DioceseOfMeathVocations  
Contact Details: Website: [www.meathvocations.com/](http://www.meathvocations.com/) Email: [vocations@dioceseofmeath.ie](mailto:vocations@dioceseofmeath.ie) /Fr Tony Gonoude Tel: 044 9373923

**Enrolment Fortnight** for school year 2024/25 at St. Stephen's from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. All information in 'Admissions Notice' on school website [www.ststephensns.ie](http://www.ststephensns.ie) For further queries email [info@ststephensns.ie](mailto:info@ststephensns.ie) or call 046 9020080.

**RCIA Programme 2023/24:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, prepares and supports adults who wish to become members of the Catholic Church. For further details, visit [www.dioceseofmeath.ie/rcia](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie/rcia).

**Introduction to the Bible** on Kells Webcam begins Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct on [www.kellsparish.ie](http://www.kellsparish.ie). contact Fr John [jplowebyrne@gmail.com](mailto:jplowebyrne@gmail.com)

**Meath Samuel Group for Young adults (18-39)** who want to deepen and develop daily prayer life. One Sunday a month, Oct to May, at St. Mary's for a Talk, Holy Hour & Mass, with commitment to daily prayer. It's free! [www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony](http://www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony)

**Monastic Vocations Weekend** at Glencairn Abbey to discern God's call to monastic life as lived there since 1932. If you are a single woman, aged 19-40, come and experience the life of prayer, work, hospitality & contemplation in the solitude and beauty of Glencairn, Co Waterford, 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Oct., Visit [www.glencairnabbey.org](http://www.glencairnabbey.org) or Contact Sr Sarah at: [vocations@glencairnabbey.org](mailto:vocations@glencairnabbey.org)

**Anam Cara Midlands Support Evening** for bereaved parents on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7:20pm in Mullingar Park Hotel. Online service also available. For further information - call 01 4045378 Contact [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

**Viatore Christi:** Venture Training Programme - live interactive online Venture for current and aspiring development and humanitarian aid workers, missionaries & volunteers to equip them with practical skills for work in the field. Programme covers modules such as mission & development, global awareness, community development, project cycle management, social and climate justice. Dates - Oct 7<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>; Nov 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>. Fee €300, for 6 interactive training days with experts and access to 20+ hours of online self-directed training material. Register on Google. Contact VC's Training Officer, Sorcha, at [sorcha@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:sorcha@viatoreschristi.com).

**St Joseph's Mercy Secondary School Open Evening** for girls in 6th class and their parents/guardians on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October from 5pm to 7pm. Further information can be found on their website [www.mercynavan.ie](http://www.mercynavan.ie) and the school's Facebook page.

**St. Patrick's Classical School Information Evening**, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7pm for parents/guardians of 6th class pupils.

**Meath Alzheimer Café** - Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin, this Wednesday 7pm to 9pm. Guest speaker, Sandra Masterson, Support Coordinator with ALONE CH08. Topic is "ALONE – An Overview of Supports & Services". Tea/coffee. Contact: 087 188 8178

**Meath Careers Expo** 11<sup>th</sup> Oct, Ardboyne Hotel, 12pm – 8pm. 100's of jobs on offer. Meet the employers, live interviews and CV clinics. Check out the jobs and register for FREE at [www.careersexpo.ie](http://www.careersexpo.ie) in partnership with Jigsaw Meath

**Positive Futures service *Mo Shaol*** enables children and adults with disabilities to be supported by a host family or individual hosts in their own homes or even just a day out in the community. Could you be a host and offer short breaks to adults and children with disabilities? More hosts/host families needed across Co Meath. Tel 042 942 8078 or email [mshaolservice@positive-futures.net](mailto:mshaolservice@positive-futures.net).

**Jigsaw One Good Adult Workshop:** Claremont Stadium in partnership with Jigsaw Meath will host a One Good Adult Workshop on 25<sup>th</sup> Oct from 7pm - 8:30pm. Workshop ideal for anyone involved in voluntary or community work, also suited to any adult who wishes to be the One Good Adult in the life of a young person. Tel 046 902 9693 or [www.claremontstadium.com](http://www.claremontstadium.com).

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

**Navan Floral Art Club** - Demonstration by Sharon O'Sullivan of A.O.I.F.A. Ardboyne Hotel, Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 8pm. All welcome.

**Spotlight Stage School** – St Mary's Community Centre, Tues & Thurs, dancing, drama & singing, age 3- 18 years. Tel 087 814 8161

**Junior & Leaving Cert Irish Grinds** - Contact 087 9312891

**Navan Active Retirement** continues Thursdays at 10:30am in the Community Centre. Contact 085 723 4794

**Programme Assistant** – Irish Wheelchair Association Navan. Part-time work placements for 19.5 hours per week through a CE Scheme with QQI Level 5 training provided. For info, tel Navan EDP Scheme office - 046 907 1938.

Last weeks' Offertory: €667.64 Envelopes: €532.26  
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