



**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



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 23rd September

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

7.30pm - Eamon Cleary & decd mbrs of Cleary & McBennett families

Sunday 24th September

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

11.00am - Seán Walsh - 1st Anniversary;

Adam Landa - 12th Anniversary & decd family mbrs;

Margaret Walsh - 18th Anniversary

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Day for Life

Saturday 30th September

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

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

Graham O'Grady - Months' Mind

Sunday 1st October

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

11.00am - Jim & Dorothy Delahunty

Rest in Peace: we commend to God the soul of **Emmet McEnroe**, laid to rest in Dublin, (nephew of Barbara Carberry, Follistown)

Baptism was celebrated last weekend with the family of **Sadie Marie O'Sullivan**.

Dates for the Parish Diary: **Harvest Thanksgiving** on Sunday, 15th October at 11am Mass, with a display also at Walterstown. The **Annual Service of Remembrance and Prayer** for the dead and bereaved will be on Friday 24th November at 7.30pm

Dates and Events: just an insight for parishioners into what goes on in the parish for the rest of the week apart from Sunday Mass! This Monday the last meeting of the **Board of Management** of St Stephen's takes place at 7pm, next Monday for Lismullen; Tuesday at 2.30pm there is a meeting of the **Council of Priests**, made up of priest-delegates from each Deanery of the diocese, Fr Michael is the Navan Rep with Fr Declan Hurley. The term of the Council ends this month and a new Council will be elected to advise and collaborate with Bishop Deenihan in the work of renewal and reorganisation in the diocese with which the new Parish Pastoral Assemblies will be closely involved; on Wednesday at 4pm the priests of the eight parishes of **Navan Deanery** meet to discuss issues, including the planned gathering for all members, priests and laity, of the newly appointed **Pastoral Assemblies** of this Deanery on Tuesday 3rd October.

Eucharistic Adoration Apostolate still needs Adorers to transfer from hours with too many or too few Adorers to the following times: Fri. 8am, 9am; Sat 2pm & 3pm; Sun. 8am, 12noon, 1pm & 2pm. Tel: 087 798 9890.

PTAA: Welcome to all who join us at Johnstown church this Sunday at 3pm for the **50th Anniversary Mass** of East Meath Pioneer Region. Congratulations to those Pioneers who will receive Silver and Gold Jubilee Emblems and Certificates. Best wishes for the celebration that will take place afterwards at the Ardboyne Hotel. Music by Matt Leavy. Tickets €30.

Meath Diocesan Spirituality Afternoon for Pioneers at the Franciscan Abbey, Multyfarnham, Sunday 1st October, 2pm - 5pm.

Legion of Mary members from Navan and Johnstown will bring our prayer needs to Our Lady this Sunday as they join the annual Legion Pilgrimage to **Knock Shrine** to consecrate their work to Our Lady. Navan meetings Mon & Tues 7pm in Community Centre (via red door beside Meals-on-Wheels). Tel: 046 902 3474. New members welcome. Junior Legion 7pm on Thurs. Tel 086 367 1171

Enrolment Fortnight for school year 2024/25 at St. Stephen's from Monday 2nd October. All information in 'Admissions Notice' on school website www.ststephensns.ie For any further queries email info@ststephensns.ie or call 046 9020080.

Children not attending Catholic schools do a 2-year catechetical programme for First Communion & Confirmation. See parish website. Not every parish can provide this service but for those children from our parish in Navan schools the following applies: Navan Parish Catechetical Programme prepares children in schools not under the patronage of the Bishop of Meath for the Sacraments. Children in 2nd Class or above can join a 2-year programme to prepare for First Penance & First Holy Communion. A meeting takes place on Tuesday 10th October at 6:15pm in St Oliver's with parents/guardians who have enrolled in the 2023-2024 Programme. Enrolment forms can be collected from Navan Parish Office and returned not later than Sunday 1st October. Children in 4th class or above may apply for a 2-year programme for Confirmation. Those wishing to join Year I must apply for admission. Children from previous years who have completed Year I must also apply for admission to Year II.

Parish Schools come under the patronage of the local bishop and are governed by a Board of Management in accordance with the Directives of the Dept of Education & Science. The term of the current Boards ends on 1st November and new Boards must be formed to take up office on 1st December for a 4-year term. The BOM is composed of the Patron's two nominees (usually the PP and one other member approved by the Patron); the Principal and one other elected teacher; two elected Parents, one Mother and one Father. This 'core Board' then appoints a further two *community representatives* to the BOM. This lengthy process commences now.

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.

Day retreat for Young Adults (18-40yrs) Saturday 30th September 10am - 5.30pm in Dalgan Park. Cost - €20 (lunch provided). Helpful Talks, Mass, Confession, Adoration, Spiritual guidance if desired, walks through woodland. Contact: Sr Úna 090 6481666 email: youthretreats@gmail.com 'Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ the Lord' Jn14: 27

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

Meath Samuel Group for Young adults (18-39) who want to strengthen & 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

Ceili Catholic Community will be starting a new residential school of evangelisation from 1st October for young adults between the ages of 18 and 35 who wish to discern their vocation, take a gap year or a career break. Director, Albert Galea. Email: school@ceilicommunity.net or text to 087 978150 from Ireland or +353 87 9789150 from outside Ireland.

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

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

St Vincent's, Castleknock College invite 6th class boys & their parents to an **Open Evening** on Tuesday 26th September, a ticketed only event. Also, 1st Year 2024 Applications/ Scholarship Applications available to download on www.castleknockcollege.ie

Corpus Christi Prayer Group weekly meetings of praise on Sundays at 8pm in Navan Parish Room. All are welcome.

Introduction to the Bible on Kells Webcam begins Mon 2nd Oct on www.kellsparish.ie. contact Fr John jplowebyrne@gmail.com

Teams of Our Lady "Would you like to strengthen your marriage? Find out more at 8:30pm **24th Sept** on Zoom. Call 086 2511759

1st Meath Navan Scouts Registration Night continues Wed from 7 – 9pm at the Den at 1-2 Liscarton Villas, Kells Rd C15 XT65. If over 18 and interested in becoming a leader email info@1stmeathnavanscouts.ie

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

Chopin by Candlelight with Frank McNamara, St Mary's Church of Ireland, Saturday 30th Sept at 9pm. Tickets via Eventbrite

Royal Tara Bridge Club: Fridays at 7:30pm, Dalgan Park. New members welcome. Tel 086-8376669.

St. Michael's Loreto Convent Bridge, Mondays at 7:30pm. New members welcome. Tel 087 919 0685

Socialite Singers (formerly Tara Singers) seeks new members. Mon 7:30pm- 9pm, CYWS Hall. Tel 087 680 7519 or 086 061 7666.

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

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

Last weeks' Offertory: €700.82 Envelopes: €488.73
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