



**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-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 2nd September

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

7.30pm - Marie McCarthy

Sunday 3rd September

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

11.00am - Noel & Kathleen Burns

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 9th September

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

7.30pm - John & Helena Dowdall, son Tom, grandson John & great-grandson - Callum

Sunday 10th September

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

11.00am - Frank Donnellan - 1st Anniversary

Rest in Peace: We commend to God the soul of **Fr Eamon O’Brien**, retired PP of Rochfortbridge, former Adm., St. Mary’s, Navan, & the soul of **Avril Allen (née Tobin)** Garlow Cross & Skryne, laid to rest this weekend.

Blessing of Graves - People gathered in great numbers last Sunday at Mounttown, Templekieran and Old Kilcarne for the Annual Blessing of Graves. Many thanks to all involved in any way in the ongoing care and maintenance of the cemeteries and the work involved on the day itself. It is a great time for families to come together and is one of those things which the Church and parish do best in providing familiar and effective rituals which, in word and action, bring some meaning to life and consolation to the bereaved. The collection taken at Old Kilcarne towards the upkeep of the cemetery came to €2,105.72

Johnstown Choir resumes this Sunday after the summer break. **New members & musicians are always welcome to join!**

Leaving Certificate Results: Best wishes for a bright future to all our students who received their exam results. May the next stage in their young lives offer many opportunities for employment, travel, training or further education.

WYD2023 - a message from Holly, one of four young women who represented our parish *“World Youth Day was an incredible experience to witness the faith and joy of young people from all across the world. We spoke to so many people from different continents, sharing stories from our own cultures which were so different from one another but we’re all united by our faith. The immediate solidarity and friendliness from the pilgrims around us from countries so unfamiliar and far from our own was one of the biggest highlights for me from the pilgrimage.”*

Question: Are you weary, worried, looking for quiet time, down time, time to tune out of IT & social media to find stillness, peace and rest? Then, come to Adoration to find that stillness not in ‘me time’ but in quality time with the Lord. Last weekend, with speakers at all Masses, *Navan Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration* called us ALL to a renewal of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament inviting and encouraging those who can to commit to a weekly hour of adoration or to invite a family member or friend to do so. There was a great response with more than 180 new volunteers signing up for an hour a week, 30 of the volunteers from our parish. We thank them for their generosity in praying on our behalf.

***Information meeting for Adorers this Tuesday 5th September in the Parish Room, St Anne’s Resource Centre at 7pm.

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

Family Adoration resumes this Sunday at 4pm in St Oliver’s. All welcome for Rosary, Reflection, Benediction, tea and a chat after.

Our Parish Primary Schools have now reopened. We hope staff and pupils return refreshed and ready to teach and learn!

Dates for First Holy Communion: Syro Malabar Sat - 4th May; St. Stephen's - Sat 11th & 18th May; Lismullen - Sat 25th May.

Times for the ceremonies to be confirmed. First Confession takes place during Lent.

Confirmation will be on Wednesday 20th March at 3pm at St Mary's, Navan.

This year, it is planned that enrolment for these sacraments will take place at Masses on specific weekends and that the children and their parents/guardians will attend one of those Masses. Further details will be given in the letters that will be sent prior to enrolment.

Handrails are being made for the side door and the steps from the carpark to the sacristy at Johnstown church.

St Mary's Navan: 8am daily Mass has now resumed after the summer break.

Padre Pio Devotions & Mass this 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.

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

50th Anniversary of East Meath Pioneer Region - Sunday 24th Sept: Mass in Johnstown at 3pm, dinner and a social at the Ardboyne Hotel. Music by Matt Leavy. Tickets €30. Presentation of Silver, Gold & Diamond Emblems and Certs to eligible members. (Please inform, if applicable) Tickets from Regional Committee and local centres. Jim 0876501915; Mary 086 3592636; Chris 087 6766586.

World Suicide Prevention Day - a Remembrance Event takes place from 2pm on Sunday 10th September, at the Ramparts.

Prayer Service at 5:30pm at the Car Park entrance. Info from Marie 085 7476564. Sosad Ireland need volunteers to shake a bucket on the day from 10am – 6pm in 2-hour slots. Contact by email or phone 085 747 6564 or. mariekennedy@sosadireland.ie

Young adults (18-39) want to strengthen & develop your daily prayer life? Join *Meath Samuel Group*. 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.

Meath Alzheimer Café - Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin - Wednesday 6th September 6 - 7pm to 9pm. Guest speaker, Elaine Byrne, Solicitor, Athboy on "Positive Planning for the Future – a Legal Guide to Wills, Powers of Attorney and More". All families/carers and loved ones living with Alzheimers /Dementia welcome. Tea served. There is no charge for this service. Contact: 087 188 8178.

Whistlemount Alzheimer Social Club: a fun social gathering where anyone affected by Alzheimers can access information and support on Saturday 9th Sept, 11am-1pm at Whistlemount Day Care, Kells Rd. Tel 087 974 0871 or email liam.burke@alzheimer.ie.

1st Meath Navan Scouts Registration Night - Wed 6th Sept, 7 – 9pm at the Den at 1-2 Liscarton Villas, Kells Rd C15 XT65.

We cater for boys and girls ages 6-26. If over 18 and interested in becoming a leader email info@1stmeathnavanscouts.ie or see Facebook page for more info @1stmeathnavanscouts

Anam Cara Midlands monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed 13th Sept at 7:15pm in Mullingar Park Hotel. Event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For info call 01 4045378

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, D.R Fitness. Registration is €60. To book - 046 902 9693

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

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

Housekeeping/laundry: Part-time morning work in Navan- Dunshaughlin. Contact Liz or Helen by text, WhatsApp or 085-1437645

Last weeks' Offertory: €764.61 Envelopes: €625.30
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