

Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Johnstown

Eircode – C15 H320

Vigil – **7.30pm**;

Sunday – **IIam**; Latin Mass **Ipm** Ist & 3rd Saturday Syro-Malabar Mass Weekdays except Wednesday – **9.30am** Funeral replaces daily Mass

Baptisms – Sunday after IIam Mass Confession before Vigil Mass. sh of Johnstown & Walterstow

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-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mission Sunday

Saturday 21st October

6.00pm - Christy Cullen

7.30pm - Máirín Lydon-O'Hora - Months' Mind;

John Jennings & his brother Philip recently deceased;

Mary Carrig – Ist Anniversary;

Shirley Murney (nee Curtis) – 3rd Anniversary

Sunday 22nd October

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

II.00am - Oliver McCann - I* Anniversary;

Peter MacMahon – 2nd Anniversary;

Joe Flannery, his parents Mick & Kitty & Emer Linton;

Tom, Clare & Hugh Cooney

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 28th October

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

7.30pm -

Sunday 29th October

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

II.00am - Joe Curran – 2nd Anniversary;

Samuel, Florence & Paul Lanney; Philip Dunne – 6th Anniversary

Baptism was celebrated last weekend with the family of Cadhla June McDonald.

World Mission Sunday is the annual global appeal for spiritual & financial support for the life-giving work of overseas. A collection take place in every parish in the world, not only Ireland & Europe, but also in poorer parishes in developing countries. It is a moment of universal solidarity when each local church, regardless of location or background, play their part in supporting each other.

All offerings go to the *Universal Solidarity Fund* for struggling communities across Africa, Asia & Latin America, where over 1,100 mission dioceses are found. As these dioceses grow, so do their needs, often in remote areas devastated by war and natural disasters. Mission Sunday offers young dioceses the financial & spiritual assistance they need to help men, women & children survive and thrive. *Missio Ireland* ensures Mission Sunday funding goes directly from Ireland to overseas bishops, churches, & missionary congregations. They provide a report and updates on the progress of their projects at https://missio.ie/world-mission-sunday/

The needs of overseas dioceses vary greatly, from a motorbike so a priest can celebrate Mass in a remote village, to a community hall to allow people gather and celebrate in safety, and vaccinations & medicines for the vulnerable. Funding provides parish infrastructure, prepares future Church leaders and supports education and healthcare programmes.

We cannot make disciples of all nations until we respond in humanity to every real and basic human right and need, now!

Fasting and Prayer for the Holy Land: thanks to all who observed the *Day of Fasting & Prayer* last Tuesday in union with the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem. A video message by the Patriarch to Youth in the Holy Land is on www.navanparish.ie/connect.

Pope Francis has requested that Christians worldwide would observe a similar day this Friday 27th October

November Altar List of the Dead: As the year turns full circle once again, the current List of the Dead comes to an end. Envelopes are available so individuals, families, households or groups of friends can get together to recall and record the names of all whom they have known and loved in life and whose memory they keep alive by the various rituals we have in the month of November, a month dedicated to remembrance and prayer for the faithful departed, the Holy Souls, and of care and compassion for the bereaved.

Annual Choral Candlelit Service of Remembrance and Prayer for the Dead and Bereaved on Friday 24th November at 7.30pm

Harvest Thanksgiving: on **Sunday 5th November** at 11am Mass. All farmers of the parish and anyone with home-grown fruit & veg are invited to supply produce for the harvest display. A seasonal display will also be blessed at the 9.30am Mass in Walterstown.

October -Month of the Rosary: who remembers the days of 'October Devotions'? We could all rediscover the value of this method of prayer, not fast-paced, mechanical repetition but rhythmic, reflective recitation of prayers while pondering on the life of Christ. **Rosary on the Hill of Tara** with the Legion of Mary on Sat 28th October at 3pm with those who would like to join in prayer.

Parish Pastoral Assembly training for our parish takes place on Wednesday 1st November at 8pm with Fr Derek Darby.

During the weeks of the **Synod in Rome**, see regular updates on www.navanparish.ie/synod

<u>Parish Finance Committee:</u> new members needed to help with specific tasks such as the annual tax rebate forms, which requires a knowledge of ROS, the online Revenue service by which donations are processed, and someone skilled in keeping up the database of the envelope collection etc. The work is not onerous and can be done at home or the parish office at the person's own pace and time.

Feast of Christ the King – the bishop asks every parish in the diocese to participate in *40 Hours Adoration* at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar starting with Mass at 7pm on Fri 24th November & ending with Vespers & Benediction on Sun 26th Nov at 4pm. Confessions available from 12noon on Saturday until midnight. The bishop asks that we pray for the following intentions:

- * for the children preparing for the Sacraments & their families, that they may grow in love for Christ in the Eucharist;
- * for a return to the Eucharist in our parish communities; * for vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our Diocese.

Coeliacs – low-gluten hosts always available on request, or the option to receive the Eucharist from the chalice.

Child Safeguarding Policies: Details on the notice boards of the parish, on www.meathsafeguarding.ie. and at the top of this bulletin.

Lismullen NS Enrolment 2024/2025 from Monday 23rd October to Monday 6th November 2023.

Navan Eucharistic Adoration Apostolate still seeking adorers for Saturdays at 3pm and Sundays at 1pm Tel: 087 7989890.

Navan Parish All Saints (All Hallow's Eve) Children's Party: Mass at St Oliver's at 6pm on Tuesday 31st October. Dress up as your favourite saint and join in the colourful procession of Angels and Saints! Then stay for a big party after the procession.

Youth Meet & Prayer Gathering (+18 yrs) Church of the Holy Trinity, Ratoath, Fri 3rd Nov 7.30pm. Inspired by World Youth Day this is an opportunity for young adults to meet for prayer, reflection & discussion with the support and guidance of priests from the diocese and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Share and bring a friend or two. Contact Fr. Mark English: duleekparish@gmail.com

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

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

Navan Male Voice Choir is seeking new members. Practice every Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Contact 087 8213075

Positive Futures service *Mo Shaol* - 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 moshaolservice@positive-futures.net.

Meath Befriending Service aims to help reduce loneliness or isolation with a weekly home visit. Info: Eva 085 862 249

Junior & Leaving Cert Irish Grinds - Contact 087 9312891

Decade of Centenaries Conference: Meath County Council host "The Big House in Meath" Sat 4th Nov 10am - 4pm at Buvinda House. Tea/Lunch provided. Free parking. Adm free. Tickets must be booked. Contact navanlib@meathcoco.ie or 046 909 7361

Andrew Gavin & friends - an evening of operatic favourites at St Mary's, Church of Ireland, Sat 11th Nov, 7:30pm. Featuring 'The Coronabeards' and Irish traditional music by Kildare-based group Cairdeas. Tickets €25 at the door or call 086 158 3474. Proceeds to *Look Good Feel Better* charity, helping women undergoing all kinds of treatment for cancer.

Rotary Club of Navan: Annual Cinema Night in aid of Meals on Wheels on Thursday 2nd Nov at the Solstice. Reception at 7:30pm followed by the showing of "Rocket Man" at 8pm. Tickets from the Solstice Theatre or from any member of the Rotary Club.

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

Last weeks' Offertory: €732.86 Envelopes: €508.90

<u>Bank details for direct debits etc.</u> BOI Navan.

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