



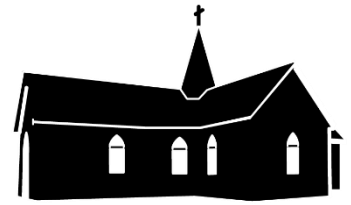
Church of the Nativity of Our Lady,
Johnstown
Eircode – C15 H320

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



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 18th November

6.00pm - pro populo – for the People of the Parish
7.30pm - Pat Wade – 2nd Anniversary;
Michael, Imelda & son Aidan McGrane;
Nancy Blake & her sister Teresa

Sunday 19th November

9.30am - Mary Byrne – 1st Anniversary;
Evelyn Cullen – 8th Anniversary
11.00am - Gerry Murtagh – 1st Anniversary

Feast of Christ the King – Last Sunday of the Liturgical Year

Saturday 25th November

6.00pm - pro populo – for the People of the Parish
7.30pm - Peggy Davis – 30th Anniversary & husband Jim;
Michael & Rose Lyness & their son
Jerome – Birthday Remembrance;
Margaret-Claire Duffy 6th Anniversary &
Christopher McCann – 4th Anniversary

Sunday 26th November

9.30am - pro populo – for the People of the Parish
11.00am -

Christmas Mass Times?? As Christmas Day is a Monday, our usual schedule would include two Saturday Vigils, two Sunday morning Masses, three on Christmas Eve, two on Christmas Day and a Syro-Malabar Mass, **ten Masses in all!** The Parish Pastoral Assembly will be consulted as to how we should alter the usual mass schedule for that weekend to best meet and serve the needs of all.

Readers are alerted to collect the new **St Paul Sunday Missal** and to check they have the right Readings for Christmas Masses!

November Altar List of the Dead: the thousands of names of our departed loved ones have been combined into one Altar List of the Dead which is placed on the altar at Mass for the month of November and every First Friday thereafter.

We hope the various rituals we have in November, a month dedicated to remembrance and prayer for the faithful departed, the Holy Souls, also bring some comfort and hope to the bereaved.

Annual Choral Candlelit Service of Remembrance and Prayer for the Dead and Bereaved this Friday at 7.30pm, with the combined parish choirs. Invitations have been sent to those bereaved since November 2022, but **all are most welcome** to come and join in prayer and to offer a candle in loving memory of the loved ones they have come to represent. Candles will be provided.

A Statement on the Diocesan Assembly: ‘last week, priests from our 69 parishes assembled in Cavan to begin a process of reflection on the future of priestly ministry and pastoral life in parishes in the Diocese of Meath. During this assembly, new models of parish life, possible collaborations among parishes, the provision of sacraments, personnel and resources, faith formation and the welfare of priests were considered in the context of the mission of the Church and the desire to sustain vibrant faith communities.

The establishment and supporting of Parish Pastoral Assemblies was deemed a necessary structure in every parish. It was also agreed that there would have to be consultation and engagement with local Pastoral Assemblies before any developments occur.

While there are no simple solutions to these issues, parishes are encouraged to commend this work to their prayers as the Diocese, the Diocesan Pastoral Assembly and the various Parish Pastoral Assemblies consider the next steps in the process’.

November Pioneer Pledge for the Holy Souls gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families living with addiction. Further info on 01 805 4226 or via www.pioneers.ie/pray

Pioneer Calendar 2024 now available, suitable for Pioneers and all impacted by addiction, designed to appeal to pupils in pre-

Confirmation classes and Secondary School RE classes. Includes the 12 steps of the AA programme. Contact: prayer@pioneers.ie. Join Fr Robert for *Pioneer Hour* on Radio Maria at 7pm on the First Friday of every month. Podcast on www.pioneers.ie/updates

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, opening Mass at 7.30pm 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.**
Our parish, and other parishes in the Navan area, have been assigned the very convenient time of 3pm to 4pm next Sunday which makes it easy to stay for Evening Prayer and a sermon to be given by Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland. Parishioners intending to represent the parish are asked to let us know by email or phone call to the Parish Office. Some will use their own transport; others may avail of the services of a bus leaving from the Fairgreen at 1.30pm on Sun 26th November. Cost €12. Contact 087 7989 890 or 087 9882706

Boards of Management: under the current Patronage system whereby the Bishop of Meath is Patron of our two Primary Schools, the parish has the responsibility of forming the new BOMs for St Stephen's and Lismullen, in line with the directives of the Dept of Education, and to support the Catholic ethos and outlook. Meetings will take place this week to finalise membership of the Boards by selecting and appointing the two 'Community representatives' according to the skills needed by each Board.

Congratulations to all at Dalgan Park on the Feast of their Patron **St Columban**, celebrated this Thursday.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Church-Gate Collection before all Masses nationwide on the weekend of 2nd and 3rd December.

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

Legion of Mary, Navan, meetings Mon & Tues 7pm in Community Centre (via red door beside Meals-on-Wheels). Tel: 046 902 3474. New members welcome. Junior Legion meets 7pm on Thursdays. Tel 086 367 1171

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at +353 818 445 500

Kells Parish "Living beyond Grief & Loss and Us Knowing How to Offer Support", Headfort Arms, 7:30pm, Tuesdays of November.

Introduction to the Bible on Kells Webcam continues on www.kellsparish.ie. contact Fr John jplowebyrne@gmail.com

Youth Meet & Prayer Gathering (+18 years). Church of Our Lady, Donore A92 FN36 at 7.30pm on Fri 1st Dec, a monthly gathering for young adults to meet for prayer, reflection & discussion with priests from the diocese and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Share the invitation and bring a friend or two along. Contact Fr. Mark for more info via duleekparish@gmail.com.

Advent Retreat for Young Adults! (18-40yrs) Saturday 2nd Dec (10am - 5.30pm) at Dalgan Park. Prepare spiritually for Christmas! 'Come Lord Jesus, Come'. Friendship in the faith with other young adults, prayer, Holy Mass, Adoration, great talks, confession, personal chat and lovely walks. Cost: €20 suggested (lunch/tea provided). Contact: Sr Úna 090 6481666 or youthretreats@gmail.com

Navan Floral Art Club - Christmas Gala Demonstration by Christine Hughes A.O.I.F.A. on Wed 22nd Nov, Ardboyne Hotel 8pm.

Temple Street & Crumlin Children's Hospitals Toy Run in memory of Zak Moran - 2nd Dec. Donations of new toys for children aged 0-16 welcome for children who will spend Christmas in hospital. Collection points: St Paul's NS, St Olivers NS, St Patrick's School, Mother Hubbard's Montessori, Navan O'Mahonys GAA, Crawfords Newsround and Smyth's Toys Superstore.

Claremont Stadium & Jigsaw Meath host the last in the series of *Mental Health Awareness Workshops* this month for 16+ yr olds this Wednesday, 6.30-7.30pm. Register -www.claremontstadium.ie. Further info - 046 902 9693/ email events@claremontstadium.ie.

Christmas Food and Craft Fair - Sunday 10th December, 2-5pm in the Sports Hall, Claremont Stadium. Stalls filled with gift ideas for Christmas, music by Navan Community Singers. interested vendors - contact events@claremontstadium.ie or call 046 902 9693.

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

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

Cultúr Migrants Centre is recruiting male and female volunteer Mentors for a new community project working with 19-40-year-old male migrants in Meath, Louth and Monaghan. Tel 087 252 5336 or communications@cultur

Bingo in St Mary's Community Centre on Monday at 8:30pm. Navan O'Mahony's Bingo on Tuesday at 8:30pm.

Last weeks' Offertory: €790.47 - Envelopes: €597.90
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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