



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

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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 & son Jerome – Birthday Rem.;
Margaret-Claire Duffy -6th Anniversary &
Christopher McCann – 4th Anniversary

Sunday 26th November

9.30am - Pauline Cullen
11.00am – Pat & Helen Carolan;
Arturas Razma, Eugeniga Razmiene & Petras Razma

First Sunday of Advent – First Sunday of Liturgical Year B

Saturday 2nd December

6.00pm - pro populo – for the People of the Parish
7.30pm - Jim Markland – Months' Mind

Sunday 3rd December

9.30am - Maureen & Jack Maguire
11.00am - John & Mary Davis;
Christy Carroll;
Noreen Oakes & deceased mbrs of Oakes family;
Deirdre Cahill – 10th Anniversary;
Nancy Finnegan – Months' Mind

Rest in Peace -we commend to God the soul of **Brian Coyle**, Farganstown, laid to rest in Old Kilcarne on Friday.

Baptism was celebrated last weekend with the family of **Leah Jean Arshad**.

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

November Rituals: On Friday night the annual parish *Service of Remembrance and Prayer for the Dead and Comfort for the Bereaved* took place in Johnstown church. Attended by the biggest crowd in many years, it was a poignant commemoration marking the grief and the hope of all whom the parish has served at their time of loss this past year. The combined choir was superb and many people in attendance spoke of how uplifted they were by the singing and by the support and compassion of the parish.

*****Christmas Mass Times:** to rationalise Mass times for Christmas weekend it is proposed that we will have only ONE Vigil Mass on Saturday 23rd December and ONE Sunday morning Mass on 24th. The Final Christmas Mass schedule will be published next week. **Readers** are alerted to collect the new **St Paul Sunday Missal** and to check they have the right Readings for Christmas Masses!

Feast of Christ the King: the bishop asked every parish in the diocese to participate in **40 Hours Adoration** at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, which concludes with Vespers & Benediction this Sunday at 4pm. Our parish, and other parishes in the Navan area, were assigned 3pm to 4pm this 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. A bus leaves from the Fairgreen at 1.30pm on Sun 26th November. Cost €12. Contact 087 7989 890 or 087 9882706

Boards of Management: Membership of the new Boards has been finalised and comes into effect on 1st December. In his letter of thanks to BOM members, Bishop Deenihan mentions how they have ‘...had to deal with the COVID crisis; accommodating children displaced from Ukraine; an ongoing shortage of teachers; the challenges of adequately funding our schools; adapting to changes in leadership; extending services to children with additional educational needs; an ever-increasing legislative oversight’.

Divine Mercy for Africa Charity – Churchgate Collection this weekend. Currently helping in St. Thomas Parish, diocese of Orlu State, Nigeria. Since 2014, Food aid has been provided for 100 people, mostly widows & widowers, a water project providing clean water, a purpose-built bakery, supplying fresh bread to the community & the sponsorship of several students in the private education system and limited health care. None of this would be possible without the generosity of parishes!

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
East Meath Pioneers Mass, Dunshaughlin, Sunday 3rd Dec at 3pm followed by meeting in Pastoral Centre. May 087 133 4872

*****St Vincent de Paul Christmas Church-Gate Collection** before all Masses nationwide next weekend, 2nd/3rd December.

Family Adoration: Sunday 3rd Dec at 4pm in St Oliver's. All welcome for Rosary, Reflection and Benediction. Tea, and a chat after. 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

Legion of Mary **Candlelit Rosary Procession** on Friday 8th December after 6pm Mass at St Mary's, Navan.

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

St Mary's Parish Shop stocks Christmas cards, gifts and Advent candles. Great value!

Annual Navan Meals-on-Wheels Collection takes place in Navan Shopping Centre and on Thurs, Fri & Sat next, 30th Nov - 2 Dec. The Collection supports a very important service which runs six days providing 90 meals per day.

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

Dealing with Family Bereavement: Tues, 28th Nov at 7:30pm in Headfort Arms. Dr Patricia Casey, Professor of Psychiatry at UCD and consultant psychiatrist at the Mater reflects on her personal & professional experience of family bereavement. All welcome.

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

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.

Duleek Christmas Fair this Sunday, 9.30am to 4pm in Duleek Community Facility, Navan Rd. Lots of gifts. Santa arrives at 2pm.

Claremont Stadium Christmas Food and Craft Fair - Sunday 10th Dec, 2-5pm. Sports Hall, Claremont Stadium. Stalls with gift ideas for Christmas, music by Navan Community Singers. interested vendors - contact events@claremontstadium.ie/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: €1,052.98 - Envelopes: €669.05
Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.
A/C name: Johnstown Church Current Account
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