



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



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday 23rd December

6.00pm - Malachy Oakes – 3rd Anniversary
7.30pm - NO MASS!

Sunday 24th December

9.30am - NO MASS!
11.00am - McCann, Mills, Lee & Lawlor families

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph

Saturday 30th December

6.00pm - pro Populo – for the People of the Parish
7.30pm - James & Elizabeth Callan & son Vincent

Sunday 31st December

9.30am - McCabe & McEntaggart families
11.00am - Tommy Lynch

Christmas Mass Times in our Parish

Sunday 24th December - 11.00am Johnstown only, without choir (**no 9.30am** in Walterstown)

Sunday 24th December - Christmas Eve

4.00pm Johnstown - Syro-Malabar Mass, with Carol Concert at 3pm
5.00pm Walterstown - Family Mass with Children’s Choir
7.00pm Johnstown – Family Mass with St Stephen’s School Choir
10.00pm Solemn Festive Mass with Johnstown Choir

Monday 25th December - Christmas Day

9.30am Walterstown
11.00am Johnstown

Navan Christmas Mass times - Christmas Eve: St Mary’s - **6pm & 9pm**; St Oliver’s - **7pm**
Christmas Day: St. Mary’s - 8am, 11am & 1pm; St Oliver’s -10am & 12noon

Daily Mass in Christmas Week in our Parish and Navan

Johnstown: St. Stephen’s Day at 11am – No 9.30am Mass on Thursday or Friday.
Navan: St Mary’s- St. Stephen’s Day, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am;
St. Oliver’s: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 7.30pm

Christmas Week Masses in Navan Parish

We can prolong the celebration of Christmas by attending daily Mass during the Octave, the eight days of Christmas celebrations, when we reflect on the meaning of the Incarnation by listening to the Word of God, and by joining in singing the beautiful hymns of this sacred time:

Tuesday – St. Stephen, Martyr: St. Mary’s 10am (Carols led by John & Michael)

Wednesday – St. John, Apostle, Evangelist: St. Mary’s 10am (Carols led by David & parishioners) St. Oliver’s 7:30pm

Thursday – The Holy Innocents: St. Mary’s 10am (Carols led by St Oliver’s Youth Choir) St. Oliver’s 7:30pm

Friday – Fifth day of the Octave of Christmas: St. Mary’s 10am (Carols led by Damien Sheridan) St. Oliver’s 7:30pm

Saturday – Sixth day of the Octave of Christmas: St. Mary’s 10am (Carols led by Brendan & visitors)

Rest in Peace: we commend to God the soul of **Aideen Herdman**, Johnstown Wood, (a pupil of St. Mary’s Special School) laid to rest on Wednesday; and **William (Bill) Bourke**, Ratoath (brother of Eleanor Meegan) who was laid to rest on Friday.

Baptism - was celebrated with the family of **Leonor Róisín Camunas O’Dea, Cillian Peter Lee, & Fiadh Rose Lorenz**

Parish Office will re-open on Tuesday 2nd January, 2024

Parish dues envelopes 2024 – ready for collection at both churches.

St Paul Sunday Missal 2024, complimentary copies available for our Readers at the sacristy.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul freephone line for the Meath area is 1800 677777 Ext 2

Thanks to the Old Johnstown Village Enhancement Group and to the dedicated and creative volunteers for their seasonal festive display, including the outdoor crib, in the village.

Village Core Redevelopment and Public Realm Enhancement Scheme for Old Johnstown Village. Everyone is asked to read and complete the following survey before January 26th 2024 <https://consult.meath.ie/en/content/old-johnstown-village-survey>

Pioneer Calendar 2024 now available. 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

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

Youth leadership programme with Ceilí Catholic Community, Kilbeggan, supported by the diocese of Meath starts Feb 2024: for young people 18 - 30 • 8 modules, one weekend per month • knowledge, skills & practical tools and techniques for parish youth ministry • Accredited by St Mary’s College, Queen’s University, Belfast • approx. €120 per module (depending on number of participants) Free accommodation at Ceili Evangelisation Centre • info - email school@ceilicommunity.net or call/ text 087 9789150

Red Cross – restart Friendship Club in Newgrange Hotel on Sundays 2 - 4pm. Tel 085- 2834021. All welcome.

Bective GFC Bingo on Sunday 31st December at 2pm.

Camino De Santiago: Holy Week Pilgrimage – The Last 100km – Saria - Santiago led by Fr Derek Darby 22 – 29 April. Cost €1,150pps. 4 nights Lugo; 3 Nights Santiago. Contact Marian Pilgrimages www.marian.ie or 01 878 8159 for info.

Walterstown Lotto: 17-12-23- Numbers drawn 2-8-10-18. No jackpot winner and none with 3 numbers. Next weeks’ Jackpot €9,800

St. Ultan’s Special School requires a bus escort for 20 hours per week to support pupils on the journey to and from school each day. The hours are split between the morning and the afternoon. Tel 046 902 1831.

EDP Community Employment Vacancies: Programme Assistant -Irish Wheelchair Association, Commons Road & Irish Wheelchair Association, Kells Rd. Care Assistant- Clann Mor, Commons Rd. Clerical Assistant- Enable Ireland. These are Part-time work placement vacancies for 19.5 hours per week through a CE Scheme. Training will be provided. Info from 046 907 1938.

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.ie

Meath Befriending Service helps reduce loneliness or isolation by a weekly home visit. To avail of this service Tel 085 862 2496.

ALONE seeks volunteers in Navan area. Full training provided. Contact Frances on volunteer@alone.ie or on 086 108 5965.

Last weeks’ Offertory: €754.94 - Envelopes: €814.20 – Donation €250

Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.

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