



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, 2024 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; 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](http://www.meathsafeguarding.ie)

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April

6.00pm - Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish

7.30pm -

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

9.30am - Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish

11.00am - Charlie Deens – 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary;

John Lee – Months' Mind;

James Murtagh – 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary &

Frances Kelly – 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary;

Tom Reilly - 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & son Seamus

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May

6.00pm - Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish

7.30pm - Martin Smith – First Anniversary

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

9.30am - Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish

11.00am - Paddy & Moira King, Paddy & Elizabeth King,

Michael & Margaret McDonagh, Tommy Russell &

Kathleen & Johnny Vesey;

Sr Sheila Lucey & Sr Lily Lucey;

Cecil Geoghegan – 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Rest in Peace** we commend to God the soul of **Frank Gorman**, Chestnut Square, whose funeral will take place on Monday. No 9.30am Mass on Monday.

**Baptism** was celebrated last weekend with the family of **Cruz Samuel Mason McConnell-McGuinness**.

**Trocaire Boxes**, the fruit of Lenten penance, can be returned to the church at any time, the sooner the better for those in Malawi and elsewhere who are waiting for our help. The amount kindly returned and counted so far is **€3,527.69**.

**Lismullen school**, having first been approved for a new school in 2003, has finally been given the go-ahead to commence construction. We are delighted for the school, and grateful to all who have been involved over many years: Principals Connie Price, Pat Sheridan, Jerry O'Donoghue and Violet Molloy, the members of successive Boards of Management, parents, and pupils

**Prayer for our Farming Community:** Heavenly Father, You have created all things in wondrous harmony to Your glory and for our use and benefit; You have given us the earth to care for and to provide us with food; We humbly ask you to give us the dry weather we now so urgently need so that seed may be sown and crops can be planted. **St Isidore, pray for us. St Fiacre, pray for us.**

'**Counters**' – more volunteers needed to help count the weekly collection. Please contact the Office or sacristy if you can help.

**First Holy Communion** will be celebrated for St Stephen's on 18<sup>th</sup> May and Lismullen on 25<sup>th</sup> May.

**The Parish Pastoral Assembly:** As grace builds on nature, so faith builds on fellowship and so it is proposed to have a series of parish events to bring people together socially after Mass. On consecutive weekends there will be a parish gathering with refreshments, perhaps music, and a chance to talk, on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June in Johnstown after the 11am Mass and on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June after the Vigil in Walterstown, both events in the respective church grounds. Help will be needed for both with tables, food etc. More

information to follow. It is also planned to have an Advent event and a Christmas Carol Concert. All were agreed that these events must be planned months ahead of time!

**Johnstown church:** a suspended ceiling contractor has carried out an inspection of the ceiling and will issue a report.

**Navan Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** in St Oliver's church on the Nine Fridays for Mass and Devotions at 7:30pm from 12<sup>th</sup> April until 7<sup>th</sup> June, Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. More details at [www.navanparish.ie/sacred-heart-novena](http://www.navanparish.ie/sacred-heart-novena)

The first **National Pilgrimage for Life**, organised by the *Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference*, will be celebrated on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May in Knock with Mass at 3pm in the Basilica, anointing of the sick during Mass. Main celebrant and preacher will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. Join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

**Family Adoration** - Sun 5<sup>th</sup> May 4 -5pm in St Oliver's. All welcome for Rosary/Reflection/ Benediction. Refreshments afterwards.

**Silverstream Priory, Stamullen**, was founded over ten years ago with the support of Bishop Smith and now of Bishop Deenihan. The community of young Benedictine monks has grown to 16 members, spending their days in prayer and work, praying especially for our diocese before the Blessed Sacrament. To help them provide accommodation for more vocations and facilities to receive the many visitors who come for guidance there are two initiatives being organised by the Apostolate of Adoration. 1. Go Fund me page: on WhatsApp and email. <https://gofund.me/ca8f1270>. 2. Concert in Rathcairn Parish Centre, C15E8FT on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

**Navan Corpus Christi Charismatic Prayer Group** meet on Sunday evenings at 8pm in the Parish Room. All are welcome to attend.

**Lough Derg One-Day Retreats in May** - guided days of prayer and reflection on Sun 5<sup>th</sup>, Mon 6<sup>th</sup>, Sun 12<sup>th</sup>, Tue 14<sup>th</sup>, Sat 18<sup>th</sup>, Sat 25<sup>th</sup> & Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May [www.loughderg.ie](http://www.loughderg.ie) €45 per person, booking essential. **Three Day Pilgrimage** from 31<sup>st</sup> May until 15<sup>th</sup> August.

**Youth Meet & Prayer Gathering** (+18 years) in the church of St. Cianán, Duleek, Fri 3rd May at 7.0pm. An opportunity for young adults to meet for adoration, prayer, reflection & discussion with the support of priests of the diocese and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Share the invite and bring a friend or two. Contact Fr. Mark English for more info: [duleekparish@gmail.com](mailto:duleekparish@gmail.com).

**Young Adult Retreat for Eastertide** Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May (10am - 5pm). Join other young people in peace, prayer and joy. Mass, friendship, talks, confession, chat. Cost-€20 (lunch/ tea breaks provided) Contact: Sr Úna 090 6481666/ email: [youthretreats@gmail.com](mailto:youthretreats@gmail.com)

**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August. The **Fr. Willie Doyle Pilgrimage** also on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August.

**Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 10<sup>th</sup> September with Bishop Deenihan and the Diocesan Choir. 4, 5 & 6-night options from €769 with various hotels available. Further info from Joe Walsh Tours, 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin. Tel.: 01 2410800

**Navan Choral Festival Secondary School Choir** competition: Navan parish is looking for volunteers to assist in welcoming over 1,000 young people from around the country on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May. Please contact Parish Office 046-9027518.

**Captains' Charity Day Golf Classic** at Headfort Golf Club - Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May, in aid of St Vincent de Paul Visitation Conference, Kells. Call Headfort Golf Club 0469240146

**Meath Alzheimer Café**, Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin, Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, 7pm - 9pm. Guest speaker: Mary Williams, Senior Physiotherapist - Care of Older People. Topic: "MOVE it or Lose it". All welcome. Tea/coffee served. Contact: 087 188 8178.

**Navan Alzheimer's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea Day**, Whistlemount Day Care Centre – Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> May 4pm - 7pm. Cake sale and raffle.

**SeniorLine** is Ireland's national telephone service for older people, open every day of the year 10am-10pm. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or just for company during their day. Volunteers are trained to listen, support, discuss options and refer a caller to other services if necessary. Don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. **Freephone 1800 80 45 91**

**Kingscourt Parish Pilgrimage** in honour of Our Lady of Montserrat, Spain takes place from 24<sup>th</sup> Sept – 1<sup>st</sup> Oct staying at Summa Hotel on the sea-shore of Pineda de Mar on a half board basis. Contact Navan Travel at 046 906 8600 to reserve a place.

**Navan Arch Club**, a social club for people with intellectual disabilities, meets Thurs & Sun for social events etc. Over 120 members and many more on a waiting list, but cannot cater for new members without new volunteers. Tel 086 322 2256 for information.

**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, Cavan and Monaghan. For info Tel 087-2525336 or [communications@cultur](mailto:communications@cultur)

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

**St. Oliver Plunkett School Annual Bingo Fundraiser** on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 7:30pm in the school. Please support.

**Lotto:** Nos. drawn – 4 - 15 – 16 – 28. No jackpot winner. 3 numbers - Lisa Reynolds. **Next week's jackpot €10,000**

Last weeks' Offertory: €976.38 Envelopes: €574.00  
**Bank details for direct debits etc.** BOI Navan.  
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