Weekend Masses

WALTERSTOWN: 6:00PM (SAT VIGIL)
JOHNSTOWN: 7:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
WALTERSTOWN: 9.30AM (SUNDAY)
JOHSNTOWN: 11:00AM (SUNDAY)
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PARISH NEWSLETTER 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10TH NOVEMBER 2024



PARISH LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS:

Weekday Masses: Johnstown 9:30 am Monday to Friday except Wednesday

On occasion of a Funeral, 9:30am Mass is suspended

Syro-Malabrar Masses: Johnstown $1^{st} \& 3^{rd}$ Saturday of the Month

Trad. Latin Mass: Johnstown 1pm every Sunday of the Month

Baptisms: Sunday following 11:00am Mass – *Enquiries to Parish Office* confession: Celebrated in the Confessional in Johnstown, Saturday, 7:10pm

32nd Sunday in Ord. Time Saturday, 9th November

6:00pm: - Liz Dunphy - (15th Ann) **7:30pm:** - Jim Markland (1st Ann);

John Jennings (13th Ann);

Kit & Margaret O'Brien, their son

Aidan & his son Ronan Sunday, 10th November

9:30am: - Pauline Cullen 11:00am: - Regina Kweco;

Brian Corroon & DFM

33rd Sunday in Ord. Time Saturday, 16th November

6:00pm: - Brian Coyle (1st Ann); **7:30pm**: - KT Joseph (4th Ann); Brian Daly (6th Ann); Peggy & Jim Davis;

Gerry Murtagh (2nd Ann)

Sunday, 17th November

9:30am: - Mary Byrne (2nd Ann)

11:00am: - Orla Murphy

Weekday Mass Intention:

Mon. 9:30am:Tues. 9:30am:Thurs. 9:30am:Fri. 9:30am:Private IntentionEllen McLoughlin & Con PowerHelen Loftus

Weldon DFM

● <u>Baptism</u>: God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy **Tadhg Frankie Burke** through the sacrament of Baptism last week. We pray God's blessings on him, his parents and family, as he begins his Christian life.

• <u>RIP:</u> Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Con Power**, Summerhill, laid to rest on Wednesday.

•November List of the Dead: As we continue the month of prayer for the Holy Souls, parishioners are asked to prepare their family List of the Dead and return as soon as possible. Loved ones who make up our List of the Dead are prayed for throughout the year on the First Friday of the Month

• <u>Harvest Thanksgiving Mass:</u> This Sunday, the 11am Mass is offered in thanksgiving to God for the bountiful harvest we have enjoyed this year, and indeed for all the fruits of the labours of our farming community, asking the Lord that we would be made worthy of even further blessings. May the Lord bless all who work the land for the support of our community, and give them due rest from

their labours to enjoy the fruits of their own work. God bless our farming families! *Prayer After the Harvest*: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the fruits that earth has given to benefit the human family and we pray that, as the working of your supreme providence has produced them, so you may cause the seed of justice and the fruits of charity to spring up in our hearts. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

- Elections 2024: As the country prepares to go to the polls to elect a new government, Parishioners are encouraged to exercise their right to vote. There are many pressing topics and concerns that people would like candidates to address in their canvassing; desiring to see decent politics at the service of people and the common good rather than resorting to populism and party spin; Parishioners should inform themselves too as to where candidates and the parties they represent stand on many issues that are at the heart of Catholic Social Teaching such as the Dignity of the human person and the Right to Life including the life of the unborn and the care of people with Terminal Illness; encouraging participation in society including supports to family life, and the Freedom of Conscience and religion; Any proposed constitutional amendments; The dignity of work and the rights of workers (an economy that serves people not the other way around); a programme of solidarity with those who the vulnerable, Care for creation etc. in order to make a conscientious choice for a candidate that best represents them.
- Annual Service of Prayers and Remembrance for the Bereaved: Families of Parishioners who have passed away since last November are invited to the Annual Service for the Bereaved which will take place next Friday, 15th November at 7:30pm, as well as parishioners mourning a loved one whose

We pray too for family and friends who have died in other parts of the country and the world, remembering all of them on our Parish List of the Dead. We know that there is no straight path through grief, and how we experience loss is as individual as each one of us. Our Annual Service of Remembrance is a moment once more to stand with parishioners with love and to walk together in prayerful remembrance on that emotional path of grief and healing; remembering those who have gone before us, asking the Lord to bring them to the fulness of life, and strengthen our hope for the day, that He will bring us together again.

- <u>Vocations Notice</u>: <u>Hour of Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood</u>. An hour of prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on **Sunday 17**th **Nov. at 5pm** in **Johnstown Church**, led by Fr Tony Gonoude, Diocesan Vocations Director to pray for Vocations to Priesthood. All welcome to pray, following the Lord's invite to "Ask the Lord of the Harvest to send labourers to His Harvest". It will be a time of prayer, a chance to meet priests who serve the Lord, to share your experience with others who also feel called and a time to reflect on the call God has for you. Website: www.meathvocations.com. Email: vocations@dioceseofmeath.ie
- <u>Sacramental Preparation</u>: Our young Parishioners who are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation next April, will renew their Baptismal Promises next Sunday at Masses, as they relight their Baptismal Candle, renewing the commitment to live as followers of Jesus that as they mature into their teenage years they take on more responsibility for their faith. We thank them for their ministry of presenting the gifts at Masses these past few weeks.
- <u>Altar Server Recruitment.</u> Applications Forms are available in the sacristy and the Parish Office for children who have received First Holy Communion to become Altar Servers. To serve at the Altar of God is a great privilege that affords our younger parishioners a chance to grow in their love of the Lord Jesus, deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith, and realise their dignity as valued members of the parish community. "Being an altar server is a call to prayer and mission" -Pope Francis
- <u>CHY Tax Rebate Requests</u>: Our Parish Finance Committee have sent letters to parishioners requesting details to complete the application for the Charity Tax Rebate. Thank you to all who have returned the forms so far. It is an important source of revenue and support for the parish. Please return any outstanding forms as soon as possible If you contribute regularly through the Envelopes or Standing Order and haven't received a Request Form, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Parish Sunday Collection

Last weeks' Offertory: €996.44 Envelopes: €740.00

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