

WEEKEND MASSES

WALTERSTOWN: 6:00PM (SAT VIGIL)
 JOHNSTOWN: 7:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
 WALTERSTOWN: 9.30AM (SUNDAY)
 JOHNS TOWN: 11:00AM (SUNDAY)
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17TH 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 1ST & 3RD 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 CONFSSIONAL IN JOHNSTOWN, SATURDAY, 7:10PM

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

Solemnity of Christ the King Saturday, 23rd November

6:00pm: - Pro Populo
 7:30pm: - Daniel & Catherine Traynor

Sunday, 24th November

9:30am: - Evelyn Cullen (9th Ann)
 11:00am: - John Nevin (10th Ann);
 Kit Clynch & parents
 Thomas & May;
 Nan Murphy

Weekday Mass Intention:

Mon. 9:30am: Private Intention	Tues. 9:30am: Patrick & Mary Smyth & DFM Smyth & McDonald	Thurs. 9:30am: Richard & Maura Crinion & DFM Crinion & Brady	Fri. 9:30am: Maria Hilliard
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● **RIP:** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Mr. Ronaldus Bitinaf**, Chapelbrook Mews & Lithuania who passed away last week.

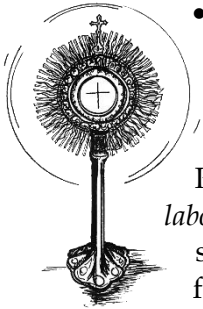
● **November List of the Dead/Prayers of Remembrance:** We continue to pray for all who are on the parish List of Dead. Please return your family list as soon as possible. Thank you to the choirs, organist and readers whose presence and talents helped to make our annual remembrance prayers a moment of great support to families grieving the passing of a loved one this year.

● **Irish Road Victims Association (IRVA)** will hold their annual prayer service in Bloomfield Hotel, Mullingar at 1pm on Sunday 17th Nov. to mark World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims. For every person killed on our roads in recent years, eight people have been injured. This weekend we remember in prayer the victims who have lost their lives or been injured on our roads and also the devastation that impacts on those left behind.

● **Harvest Thanksgiving Mass:** was celebrated last Sunday with plenty of local-grown produce proudly displayed and offered to God by our farming families and the whole parish. Many thanks to the farmers, producers and organisers. A particular word of thanks to Francis Deane & Charlie Traynor, the driving force behind this annual event and to the Deane family and other young volunteers who helped arrange the beautiful harvest display at Johnstown church. Thanks also to the choir for their seasonal and uplifting hymns of praise and thanksgiving! **Lord, for the harvest. We give You thanks!** Navan Meals-on-wheels have written to thank all who kindly donated and delivered the fruit and vegetables from the Harvest Mass which was much appreciated in preparing meals for the eighty people who use their wonderful daily home delivery service.

● **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: Prolifecampaign.ie/VoterGuide will publish this week a list of where candidates and their parties stand on Pro-life issues.
- Encouraging participation in society including supporting family life, the Freedom of Conscience and Religious Belief; Protecting the Ethos of Schools and Parental Rights. Any proposed future 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 are vulnerable, in need, or searching for safety from political, economic or environmental strife. Care for creation etc.
- Participation in forming society is part of our Christian faith and outreach.



● **Vocations Notice: Hour of Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood.** An hour of prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place this **Sunday 17th 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

● **Sacramental Preparation:** This weekend we welcome our Confirmandi - candidates for Confirmation- as well as their families to Mass as they renew their baptismal promises and commitment to Christian Faith. Next weekend, the children preparing for First Penance and First Holy Communion will be welcomed as they reflect on the Sacrament of Baptism in which they became Children of God.

● **Altar Server Recruitment.** 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



● **40 Hours Adoration:** To celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King this year, there will be 40 Hours Adoration in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, beginning with Mass at 7:30 pm on Friday, 22nd November and concluding with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4pm on Sunday 24th to which all are welcome. **Our Parish has been allocated the time of 3pm - 4pm on Sunday 24th.** As part of the 40 Hours Devotion, Confessions will be heard in the Cathedral continually from 12 noon to 12 midnight through Saturday.

● **Parish Minor Works:** New energy efficient windows will be installed in the Parochial House this week to replace the original single glazed windows that were installed when the house was built in the early 80's. This work will reduce heating bills significantly, as well as ensuring the house is compliant with Building Fire Safety regulations.



● **Parish Sunday Collection: Online Donation:** We are trialling a new way to support the work of the parish by Donating Online. Scan the QR Code with your Phone camera to connect to the Parish Account and it's a safe and easy way to send a donation from your phone. Providing an email or contact information will allow us to acknowledge the donation. It can also be used to pay for shrine candles. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office.



Last weeks' Offertory: €923.11 Envelopes: €659.00
Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.
A/C name: Johnstown Church Current Account
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GAA Lotto Results - 10th Nov - Numbers 2, 14, 21, 23. No jackpot winner. 2 with 3 nos. Niall Boland & Ashling McLoughlin, Next Week's Jackpot €10,400

Navan & District Historical Society - talk on Fourknocks : archaeology, astronomy and mythology in Columbanus Hall ,Canon Row, Navan on Thurs 28th November at 8pm. Speaker : Anthony Murphy. members free. Non members €5