

### WEEKEND MASSES

WALTERSTOWN: 6:00PM (SAT VIGIL)  
 JOHNSTOWN: 7:30PM (SAT VIGIL)  
 WALTERSTOWN: 9.30AM (SUNDAY)  
 JOHNSNTOWN: 11:00AM (SUNDAY)  
 PARISH PRIEST: FR. KEVIN HEERY PP



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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

### 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 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<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> 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

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent - Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> December

**6:00pm:** - Kathleen & Noel O'Brien;  
 James & Anna Bennett,  
 Paul & Kieran McGuinness &  
 Christy Collins;  
 Patrick & Mary Lynch &  
 Luke & Teresa Smith

**7:30pm:** - Lar McCormack;  
 Patrick & Annie Smith

#### Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December

**9:30am:** -

**11:00am:** - Pat Brady;  
 McCann, Mills, Lee & Lawlor DFM;  
 Malachy Oakes (4<sup>th</sup> Ann);  
 Richard Murphy

#### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> December

**6:00pm:** - ProPopulo

**7:30pm:** - Tommy Lynch;  
 Anthony O'Grady

#### Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> December

**9:30am:** -

**11:00am:** -



#### Weekday Mass Intention

<b>Mon. 9:30am</b>	<b>Tues. 9:30am</b>	<b>Thurs. 9:30am</b>	<b>Fri. 9:30am</b>
Private Intention	No Morning Mass	No Mass	No Mass

● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy **Ryan Evan Dunphy** through the sacrament of Baptism last Sunday. We pray God's blessing on him, his parents and family as he begins his Christian life.

● **Rest in Peace:** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Michael O'Shea**, whose Requiem Mass was offered in Johnstown this Saturday. May he rest in peace.

● **Parish Office:** Will be open on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec. from 10:00am to 1pm and will reopen again on 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 2025 after the Christmas Break.

● **Parish Envelopes 2025:** The new Parish Envelopes are now available for collection, from the porch at both churches. The parish envelopes are of vital support to the parish and go towards the maintenance of the parish buildings, offsetting the running costs of the parish and allows us to plan towards future projects. A big thank you to all who contribute through their box of Parish Envelopes. If you are new to the parish, and would like to register for the parish, Please contact the parish office or fill in the New Parishioner Registration Form at the back of the church and drop into Office or Sacristy. A Standing Order, Direct Debit or Donating online are also available through the Parish Website.



## Christmas Schedule 2024

### **24<sup>TH</sup> DEC - CHRISTMAS EVE**

- Johnstown:** 4:00pm – Syro-Malabar Christmas Mass  
**Walterstown:** 5:00pm – Family Mass (Children’s Choir)  
**Johnstown:** 7:00pm – Family Mass -Vigil of Christmas  
**Johnstown:** 10:00pm – Solemn Mass of Christmas “Midnight”

### **25<sup>TH</sup> DEC - THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, CHRISTMAS DAY**

- Walterstown:** 9:30am – Dawn Mass of Christmas  
**Johnstown:** 11:00am – Mass of Christmas Day

*Masses will be offered Pro Populo – for all Parishioners*



*(Navan Parish Mass Times - Christmas Eve: St Mary’s - 6.00pm & 9.00pm; St Oliver’s - 7.00pm.  
Christmas Day: St. Mary’s - 8am, 11am & 1pm; St Oliver’s -10am & 12noon)*

## CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS TIMES

**Christmas Confessions:** There will be a **Full day of Confessions** on Mon. 23rd Dec. from 8:30am in the morning until 9pm that evening in St Mary’s Church, Navan. Visiting priests will assist from 12noon onwards. All welcome.

**Johnstown Parish Christmas Confessions:** Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. After Mass from 12:00Noon - 1:30pm in Johnstown Church in the confessional.

- **Christmas Mass Bouquets & Christmas Remembrance Cards:** Available in Parish Office

## Advent Hymn

O come, O come, **Emmanuel**,  
And ransom captive Israel;  
That mourns in **lonely** exile  
here,  
Until the Son of God appear.  
**R/ Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel**  
**Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

O come, Thou **Day-Spring**,  
from on high,  
And cheer us by thy drawing  
nigh;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of  
night,  
And death's dark shadows put  
to flight.

O come, Desire of Nations bind,  
In one the hearts of all  
mankind.  
Bid now our sad divisions  
cease,  
and be Yourself our King of  
Peace. **R/**

A warm welcome home to parishioners who return this week for Christmas, and safe travels for parishioners heading away at this time too. Thank you to the Principals and Staff of our Parish Schools as they finish up this term and every blessing to the children of St Stephens, Holy Trinity Lismullen and St Mary’s Special Schools as they celebrate this special time of year with an enjoyable and relaxing break. With great joy, we see the work has commenced for the building of the new parish school in Lismullen and we wish the builders, contractors and design team every good wish on this exciting project.

## Parish Sunday Collection

- **Mobile Donation:** Simply scan the QR Code with your Phone camera (or google app) to connect to the Parish Account and choose the amount to donate. You can also click the link on the Parish Website above. 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: €1,011.57 Envelopes: €1,206.00**  
**Bank details for direct debits etc.** BOI Navan.  
**A/C name:** Johnstown Church Current Account  
**IBAN IE97 BOFI 9035 0989 9651 74**

**December Bulletin**  
**kindly sponsored by Frank Burke**  
**Thank you to all our generous Sponsors!**

*Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep of the Parish*

**GAA Lotto Results – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Numbers – 11, 12, 18, 25 - Two match 3 – Ian Reilly & Geraldine Gordon - Next Week’s Jackpot €10,800**