

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19TH JANUARY 2025



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 CONFESSIONAL IN JOHNSTOWN, SATURDAY, 7:10PM

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, 18th January

6:00pm: -
 7:30pm: - John Morgan (MM)

Sunday, 19th January

9:30am: -

11:00am: - Michael (Mick) O'Shea (MM);
 Mary McCabe (2nd);
 Nancy Finnegan - Birthday Rem. &
 Jack Finnegan (4th);
 Tony, Philomena & Toddy Smith

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, 25th January

6:00pm: -
 7:30pm: - John O'Dowd (2nd);
 Mary & Oliver O'Neill

Sunday, 26th January

9:30am: - Margaret & Jack Darby & son Seán
 11:00am: - Paddy Carroll (10th);
 Kathleen Burns (3rd);
 Geraldine Monerawela (8th)

Weekday Mass Intention

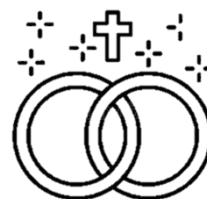
Mon. 9:30am	Tues. 9:30am	Thurs. 9:30am	Fri. 9:30am
Get well Intention	Christmas Intention	Christmas Intention	Mary Joseph

● **Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations to **Bret Schillingford** and **Niamh Byrne** who married this weekend in Johnstown Church. We wish them a lifetime of love, health and happiness as they enter the sacred covenant of marriage.

● **Rest in Peace:** Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Sr. Valerie Malone**, FFM Rush, Co. Dublin, formerly of Johnstown and Dublin Road Navan, **Isabella Spooner**, a student of St Mary's Special School, & Tubberclaire Meadows and **Martin Maher**, Priory View.

● **The Society of St Vincent de Paul is seeking new members.** The aim of the society is: to provide support and friendship, promote self sufficiency and work for social justice. The conference hold a meeting weekly at the church in Johnstown on **Monday at 7:30pm** and this is followed by visits to families and individuals in the locality who are in need of help. For further information see www.svp.ie or speak with one of the volunteers. Anyone requiring assistance please contact St Vincent De Paul 1800 677 777 and a visit will be arranged.

● **Life in the Spirit Course:** Experience how the Holy Spirit can bring renewed meaning, enthusiasm and joy to your Christian life. The course will run in Navan parish on six consecutive Sunday evenings from 2nd February. This offering is particularly aimed at anyone who has never attended a Life in the Spirit Course. An introductory video can be viewed at www.navanparish.ie/sharingfaith. Contact details are also available on the website page.



● **Confirmation Sponsors:** Our young Confirmation Candidates, who will celebrate this important sacrament on the 3rd April in St Mary's Church, Navan, welcome their chosen sponsors to Masses this weekend as they ask God's blessing upon their chosen sponsors who have agreed to take on this essential role in the lives of our candidates. The chosen sponsors are the people the candidates have chosen to stand beside them as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, and who will be with them in the years ahead to help grow in the Christian Faith.



At a minimum, a sponsor must fulfill the requirements of being a practicing Catholic, over 16 years of age, who has received Confirmation themselves and live a life of faith that befits the role undertaken.

However, it is a role that has taken on greater importance in the challenges that young people face today, and so must be undertaken with the sense that the Christian Sponsor of Confirmation are there to encourage and assist the candidate in their Christian faith, particularly in the practice of that faith; to be able to guide them in the understanding of the Christian Faith by sharing from their own knowledge and experience; to pray daily for the candidate, to guide and encourage them in the living out of a moral and virtuous life, and finally helping them to recognise and develop their God-given talents for the benefit of others, and to discover their vocation in life. It is a demanding responsibility, just as it is a privilege and an honour to be asked to be a sponsor. May God who calls our sponsors for this task, assist them with His grace to carry it out to the best of their abilities.

● **Meath Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome: 22nd - 27th September 2025. Led by Bishop Deenihan.**

Bookings and Enquiries: Email: connie.galligan@mullingartravel.ie Mullingar Travel:
Tel: 044 9340587.



● **Meath Annual Ecumenical Prayer Service, St. Mary's Church, Navan this Sunday evening 19th January at 7:30pm.** We join with neighbours from different Christian traditions. We also ask parishioners to invite a friend or neighbour belonging to another Christian community to accompany you to the Service. The visiting preacher is The Revd. Philip McKinley (Lead Evangelist Kildare Centre of Mission and Curate Dunboyne Rathmolyon Unions). We are invited to reflect on the story of Martha's confession of faith in Jesus as narrated in John 11 and to explore Jesus' question to Martha: "Do you believe this?" This year's Service of prayer has been compiled by the Bose Community in Italy. As we celebrate 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea, the worship service has at its heart, the Nicene Creed.

Parish Sunday Collection



● **Mobile Donation:** Thank you to so many parishioners who have begun to donate online, through the QR code link. 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.

● **Navan Rotary Club - Tree of Remembrance.** We wish to acknowledge their kind donation to the parish of €200.00

Offertory: €526.00 - Envelopes: €1105.87

Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.
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Thank you for the generous support of the work and upkeep of the Parish

Walterstown GFC - would like to invite all Senior Citizens to their **Annual Dinner, this Sunday 19th January, at 1pm.** in the Clubhouse. There will be food, entertainment and plenty of fun. Please contact **Seán 087 6637956** or **Ethna - 086 8435807**, to confirm your attendance.

GAA Lotto Results - Sun 12th Jan. Numbers **11, 15, 21, 22.** No winner. 2 Match 3 - **The McMahan Bros & Alan & Ann Cox- Next week's Jpot €11,200**