

WEEKEND MASSES

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



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PARISH NEWSLETTER
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
23RD FEBRUARY 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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, 15th February

6:00pm: Bernadette McCarthy (2nd) &
Parents: Mary-Elizabeth & Harry;
Kieran Browne & DFM & Richard &
Annie Kennedy

7:30pm: Jack Murray (14th)

Sunday, 16th February

9:30am: Stephen Clinch
Colin McElvaney

11:00am: Michael Woods (MM)
Martin Maher (MM);
Geraldine Doyle (4th);
Josie Nolan;
Desmond Kelly (20th) & Helen (2nd)

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, 22nd February

6:00pm: ProPopulo

7:30pm: Paddy & Nuala Wall

Sunday, 23rd February

9:30am: Intention

11:00am: Martin & Angela Deane & Eugene (1st)



Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am
Frank Heery & DFM

Tues. 9:30am
Intention

Thurs. 9:30am
Private Intention

Fri. 9:30am



● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy, **Shane Alexander Enright**, through the sacrament of Baptism last week, praying God's blessings on him and his family, as he begins his Christian life.

● **Rest in Peace:** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Ann Sheils** (Walterstown), laid to rest during the week.

● **First Confessions:** We welcome our young parishioners to the sacrament of God's mercy as they celebrate their First Confession this week. While the word 'celebrate' might seem out of place in talking about the sacrament of confession, as the penitent reflects on their life through the lens of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and a sense of guilt, shame or regret for the ways in which our lives have missed the gospel mark may be present, the word 'celebrate' points us passed our initial hesitations to the overwhelming mercy of God that obliterates our sins, declaring that we are forgiven, set free, and renewed by His grace. It is the joy of the Lost Sheep being found, the Prodigal Son returning, the woman caught in sin being lifted up to walk with head held high, because our souls feel their worth in the sight of God, so we truly 'celebrate' the ever ready mercy of God in confession. Let our young parishioners be given that necessary example of confession through our own participation in it, as well as the support of the prayers of all our parishioners. The Sacrament of Confession awaits!



Holy Trinity School, Lismullen:
St Stephen's School, Johnstown

Tuesday 7pm-8pm Johnstown
Thursday 7pm-9pm Johnstown

Love is His word

Love is His word, Love is His way,
Feasting with all, fasting alone,
Living and dying, rising again
Love only love is His way.

Love is His way, love is His mark,
Sharing His last Passover feast.
Christ at the table, host to the twelve
Love, only love, is His mark.

Love is his mark, love is His sign,
Bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
This is my body, this is my blood
Love, only love is His sign.

Chorus: Richer than gold is the love of my Lord. Better than splendour and wealth.



● Celebrating the Great Jubilee Year 2025

● **Confession:** Sunday 2nd March in St. Mary's Church, Navan, 4pm-6pm. Parishioners are invited to celebrate God's liberating mercy and forgiveness during the Jubilee Year. The confessor will be Fr. Noel Horneck, PP Dunderry. *In this Jubilee Year, may no one be deprived of the opportunity to receive God's forgiveness and consolation! (Pope Francis).*

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

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

● **Jubilee Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries** During 2025, on the last Friday of each month the 7:30pm Mass, in St. Mary's, Navan, will gather those who marked their wedding anniversary during that month.



● **Jubilee of Youth:** 28th July - 3rd August 2025 Young people (18+) of the Diocese of Meath are invited to join with over a million fellow young people from around the world for this great week of events with Pope Francis. Celebrating youth and faith in the Eternal City will be one of the highlights of this Jubilee Year. Cost €750 approx. including flights and accommodation. For more info contact the Parish Office or see www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth or



scan QR code for registration of interest.

● **Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.** "With Mary Pilgrims of Hope". The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, lead by Bishop Deenihan, will travel on 9th September 2025. Pilgrims may choose between a 4-night or a 5-night stay. Accommodation in Hotels and fares begin at €829. Booking forms are available through Joe Walsh Tours. For further inquiries, Tel: 01-2410800.

● **Parish Carpark:** New signage will be erected in the parish carpark soon to address the parking needs that have arisen in recent times; not least the parking spaces being occupied preventing parishioners parking for daily Mass. Mourners coming for funerals have had difficulty finding spaces because others have left their cars while heading off to work all day,



or attending classes, and guests at weddings (already running late 😊) have had to circle around because of the lack of spaces available. HGV's, lorries and Farm vehicles have also exhibited dangerous driving in the carpark, which should be a pedestrian friendly area and so are prohibited from driving and parking in the carpark. Unfortunately there has also been a rise of anti-social behaviours late at night and so carparking is prohibited after 8pm. We hope these regulations will allow the carpark to be utilised fully for the good of the parish.



● **Mobile Donation:** Scan QR code (right) to donate to the parish for Offertory, Envelopes, Donations, or candle shrines. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office. Thank you to all who have chosen to donate using new technology available to us.

● **Envelopes:** All remaining boxes of parish envelopes are available in the parish office if your family box haven't been collected yet.

Parish Sunday Collection

Offertory: €753.75 Envelopes: €1,401.54
Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.
A/C name: Johnstown Church Current Account
IBAN IE97 BOFI 9035 0989 9651 74

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Cantwell (in memory of baby Croía)
Thank you to all our generous Sponsors!

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

GAA Lotto Results: Sun 9th Feb. Num: 4, 6, 11, 12. No winner. 1 Match 3 (Laura Barrett) Next week's Jpot €11,600