

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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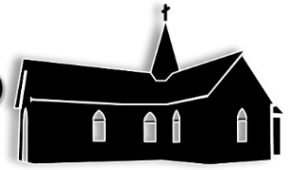
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)

27TH APRIL 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-MALABAR 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 of Easter (Low Sunday)

Saturday, 26th April

6:00pm: ProPopulo
 7:30pm: Ita Lyons (née Bourke) (3rd);
 Anne Ratty (11th);
 Gerry Smith (12th)

Sunday, 27th April

9:30am: Pope Francis
 11:00am: Anne (Nan) Woods – (née O'Brien) MM
 Cecil Geoghegan (12th);
 Paddy & Moira King, Paddy & Elizabeth
 King, Tommy Russell, Mikey & Margaret
 McDonagh & Vesey DFM

Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday, 3rd May

6:00pm: Seamus Hennelly (1st)
 7:30pm: Martin Smith (2nd)

Sunday, 4th May

9:30am: Pro Populo
 11:00am:



Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am Special Intention	Tue. 9:30am Thomas Duffy	Thurs. 9:30am Thomas Collins	Fri. 9:30am Intention
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● **Rest in Peace:** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Anne Brady**, late of Bailieborough, Co. Cavan, who was laid to rest on Friday.

● **Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations to **Blaine O'Brien** and **Alexandra Barrow**, who married on Friday in Johnstown Church. We wish them a lifetime of love, health and happiness as they enter the sacred covenant of marriage.

● **Pilgrimage to Lisieux:** celebrating the centenary of the canonisation of St. Thérèse, led by Fr. Declan Hurley (Navan). 25-30 May 2025, €995 per person sharing, half board. Small number of places remaining. Contact Navan Travel, 1 Bridge Street, Navan, 046-9068600.

● **Trocaire Boxes:** Please return Trocaire Boxes to the Churches or the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you for your generous response. **The amount returned to date is €2,132.12**

● **ACCORD** (Catholic Marriage Preparation Service) is recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive free professional training during seven in-person workshops and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes in the region. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or see www.accord.ie

● **The passing of the Holy Father, Pope Francis:** Bishop Deenihan will offer Mass in the Cathedral on Tuesday, 29th April at 7:30pm for the repose of the soul of the late Holy Father, and in thanksgiving for his Petrine ministry. All welcome to attend. "The announcement of the death of the Holy Father on Easter Monday morning was a cause of sadness and shock, given his appearances over the past few days during the various ceremonies. At his time, I join with the priests, religious and people of the Diocese of Meath in praying for his soul, confident that the God of Mercy will welcome this faithful servant".

Let me say this once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy

“In prayer, God keeps calling us, opening our hearts to charity.”

I ask you to ensure that humanity is served by wealth and not ruled by it.

“Joy springs from a grateful heart.”



“Please” “Thank You”, and “Sorry” are words that open up the road to a good family life

“The emptier a person’s heart is, the more he or she needs to buy, own and consume.”

Build bridges not walls!

“Jesus keeps knocking on our door in the faces of our brothers and sisters, in the faces of our neighbors, in the faces of those at our side.”

We thank the Cathaoirleach and members of Meath County Council for providing an opportunity for people to sign a Book of Condolences for Pope Francis in the foyer of Bovinda House. An Post is offering a free service for Letters of Appreciation, Mass Cards and Sympathy Cards on the death of Pope Francis to Vatican City. They can be addressed for delivery: Cards to the Vatican, PO Box 13812, FREEPOST, Dublin 1



- **The Month of May** is dedicated to Our Lady, and the Faithful are encouraged to mark this month with renewed devotions and pious practices, such as a May Altar in the home, praying the rosary as a family, daily praying the Litany of Loreto, signing of hymns to the Mother of God. We too continue to share the joy of the Resurrection of her Son with Our Lady, by replacing the Angelus at Noon and 6pm until Pentecost with the **Regina Caeli** prayer:
Queen of heaven, rejoice,
alleluia.

For He whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray to God for us, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ gave joy to the world, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

- **Mobile Donation:** Scan QR code (left) 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 this technology available to us.

Regina Caeli

Regina Caeli, laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.
V. Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria,
alleluia.
R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.



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Offertory €1,737.59 Envelopes: €1,243.50 Online: €363.88
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