

WEEKEND MASSES

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

Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Saturday, 21st June

6:00pm: Joe Cullen

7:30pm:

Sunday, 22nd June

9:30am: ProPopulo

11:00am:

Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul

Saturday, 28th June

6:00pm: ProPopulo

7:30pm:

Sunday, 29th June

9:30am:

11:00am: Bernie Cullen (13th)

Audrey Lewis (4th)

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am	Tue. 9:30am	Thurs. 9:30am	Fri. 9:30am
Private Intention	Intention		

● Reduced Parish Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday this week 10:00am-1pm

● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy: **Eoin Gerard Harkin & Freddie Dillan Whelan** through the sacrament of Baptism last Sunday, as we continue to praying God's blessings on them and their families, as they begin their Christian lives.

● **Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations to **Ms. Kate MacQuillan** (Johnstown) who married **Mr. Gavin Kelly** (Howth) on Saturday in Johnstown Church. We pray that the Lord will bless them with a lifetime of love, health and happiness as they enter the sacred covenant of Holy Matrimony.



● **Ordination to Priesthood:** We rejoice in the news of the ordination to the priesthood of Br. Philip McMahon OFM which will take place in St. Mary's Church this Sunday at 3:00pm. The new Fr. Philip will offer his First Mass in St. Mary's on Monday 23rd June at 7:00pm. All are welcome to both ceremonies. Brother Philip, from Navan is a member of the Franciscan Order. We pray God's blessing on the new Fr Philip and his ministry in the years ahead, as well as a prayer for his parents Bernard and Mary and all his family. From the parish of Johnstown, we wish Fr Philip a hearty congratulations and a traditional "Ad Multos Annos" – to many years!!!!

● **400th Anniversary Celebrations** of the birth of St Oliver Plunkett at Loughcrew, Oldcastle A82 X4Y1 next Sunday, 29th June with Mass at 3pm. All welcome to mark the birth of this great saint who was born in our diocese.

● **The Solemnity of Corpus Christi - The Body and Blood of Christ:** This great feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ originated in France in the mid-thirteenth century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264, and was traditionally celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday as a memorial of the Institution of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday, but has been changed to the Sunday following in many countries, in order to allow a greater number of the faithful to participate.



This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ: In the Most Holy Eucharist and in the Church as the people of God. The primary purpose of this feast is to draw our focus more acutely to the Blessed Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the people of God who are the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his people. The Lord Jesus expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head, and we then make up the body. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church. The Feast of Corpus Christi is commonly used as an opportunity for public Eucharistic processions, which serves as a sign of common faith and adoration. Our worship of Jesus in His Body and Blood calls us to offer to God our Father a pledge of undivided love and an offering of ourselves to the service of others.

Hymn: Tantum Ergo

Tantum ergo sacramentum
Veneremur cernui,
et antiquum documentum
novo cedat ritui.
Præstet fides supplementum
sensuum defectui.

Genitori genitoque
laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
sit et benedictio!
Procedenti ab utroque
compar sit laudatio! Amen



● **Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Friday, 27th June.** We celebrate the great feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following on from Corpus Christi, allowing us to meditate on the heart that has so loved us so perfectly. Images of the Sacred Heart from our homes can be brought to the 9:30am Mass for blessing. We continue to pray the Novena in preparation for this great feast.

Novena Prayer to the Sacred Heart: O Divine Jesus, who said, "Ask and you shall receive", I kneel at your feet. From whom shall I ask if not from you, whose heart is the source of all blessings. With a lively faith in you, I come to ask... *Share your petitions silently with the Sacred Heart.* I admit I am most unworthy of your favours, Jesus, but this is not a reason for me to be discouraged. You are the God of mercies and you will not refuse a contrite heart. Look with pity on me, I beg you, and your compassionate Heart will find in my weakness a motive for granting my request. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on me (x3) Amen.



● **Congratulations:** to the Pupils of our parish schools as they finish up the academic year. A special word of thanks to the Principals, Teachers, Special Needs Assistants and Staff of our schools who work so dedicatedly on behalf of our young parishioners. We wish the students of 6th class every blessing as they prepare to begin their second level studies in September.

● **Mobile Donation:** Scan QR code 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 this way.



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