

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

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

3RD AUGUST 2025



18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 2nd August

6:00pm: Pro Populo
7.30pm: Thomas Dunne MM;
Vincent Blake

Sunday, 3rd August

9:30am: Joe Lenehan MM
11:00am: John Barry

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 9th August

6:00pm: Nancy Clarke 5th
7:30pm: Edward Dowdall - 2nd, his parents -
Julia & Christy & baby sister Julia

Sunday, 10th August

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

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am
No Mass

Tue. 9:30am

Thurs. 9:30am

Fri. 9:30am



● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy, **Chloe Grace Murray, Rose Bridget Gannon, Alex Philip Oliver Louth, Daisy Claire Hilton-Fox & Alaia-Mae Mulligan**, through the sacrament of Baptism last week, praying God's blessings on them and their families as they begin their Christian life.

● **Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations to **Declan Murray & Erin Zaremski** who married 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.

● **Daily Mass:** No 9.30am Mass on Monday, owing to the Bank Holiday.



Cemetery Devotions 2025: The Annual Parish Prayers for our Faithful Departed interred in the cemeteries of our parish will take place on the 31st August.

TempleKieran Cemetery:

1pm

Mounttown Cemetery:

3pm

Old Kilcarn Cemetery:

5pm

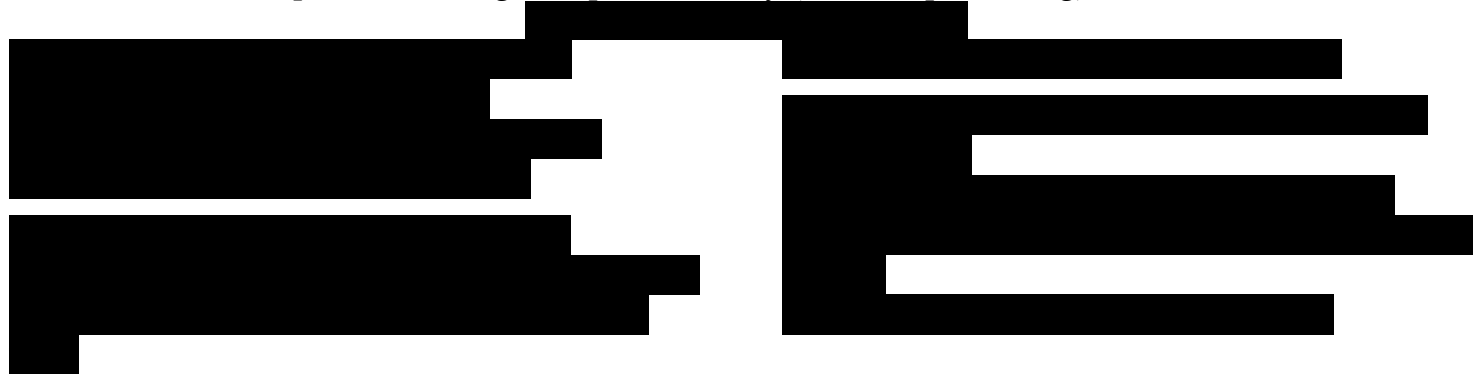


● **Jubilee of Youth:** As "Pilgrims of Hope" celebrating this Jubilee Year 2025 all roads are leading to Rome! Of-course not everyone can make the pilgrimage to Rome, so around the diocese many parishes are undertaking local pilgrimages to Loughcrew and Clonard; Knock, Lough Derg and Croagh Patrick; as a way to mark this significant Year for us in the Catholic Church around the world. During this past week from 28th July - 3rd August, a group of 38 pilgrims along with Bishop Tom Deenihan, represented the Diocese as they participated in the Jubilee of Youth, which culminates in the Jubilee Mass celebrated by Pope Leo XIV in Rome this Sunday. Please keep these young pilgrims in your prayers as they join thousands from every corner of the world for this great witness of Hope in the Lord. Check out this event on www.vaticannews.va, www.dioceseofmeath.ie and EWTN television.

● **Knock: Diocesan Pilgrimage and Novena:** Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday 10th August led by Bishop Tom Deenihan with the Meath Diocesan Choir. Schedule: 2.00pm: Rosary, 2.30pm: Anointing of the Sick at Knock Basilica 3.00pm: Concelebrated Mass at Knock Basilica followed by Benediction & Rosary Procession The **National Novena to Our Lady of Knock** offers nine days of reflection and prayer and a chance to reconnect with your faith in the unique and sacred space of Knock Shrine. The purpose of the Novena is to recognise the unique role that Knock, as an International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine, has to play in the life of the Irish

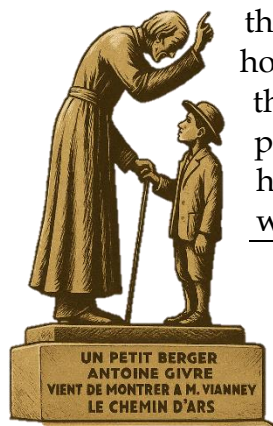


Church and to honour Our Lady, the Mother of God. Please note that the Novena will now culminate on the 21st of August, the anniversary of the Apparition at Knock in 1879. Ceremonies will take place in the Basilica at 3pm and 8pm over the course of the nine days with guest speakers present during each ceremony. Each evening, we will hold a candlelight procession, a traditional feature of the Novena at Knock, which takes place following the 8pm ceremony (weather permitting).



Saints of the Week

Memorial of Saint John Vianney – 4th August. The saintly Curé d’Ars – Parish Priest of Ars, France is the patron saint of priests, a noted preacher, a dedicated confessor who spent up to 18 hours a day receiving penitents in the confessional, and so dedicated to his parishioners they refused him to leave to join a monastic order. The town of Ars is a great site of pilgrimage to this day. As he made his way to take up his appointment in the parish, he met a young boy and asked for directions saying “Show me the way to Ars and I will show you the way to heaven”.



Prayer of St John Vianney:

'I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You
until the last breath of my life.

I love You, O my infinitely lovable God,
and I would rather die loving You, than live without loving You.

I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally.

My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You,
I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.'

Feast of the Transfiguration – 6th August: This great celebration marks the moment when Jesus shows his divinity to His disciples on Mount Tabor, in the presence of Moses and Elijah, with God the Father saying “This is my Beloved Son, listen to Him”. We pray that as we come to know Jesus, and encounter Him in His Church, at Mass, in prayer, in charity, and by way of the sacraments, we may truly say with St Peter. “Lord, it is good that we are here”.



● **Local Honey:** Our parish bees have been very busy and have produced some lovely local honey for sale in the Parish Office. 🍯 🐝

● **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.



Parish Sunday Collection

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