

## 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 NEWSLETTER

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 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 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> 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

#### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> September

6:00pm: Pro Populo  
7:30pm: Eamon Cleary & DFM;  
Noreen Ward (recently deceased)

##### Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September

9:30am: Bartle Christie (6<sup>th</sup> AV)  
11:00am: Seán Walsh (3<sup>rd</sup> AV)

#### Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> September

6:00pm: Jo Cummins (24<sup>th</sup> AV)  
7:30pm: Denis Doherty (recently deceased);  
James Callan, his wife Elizabeth & son Vincent

##### Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> September

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

#### Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9.30am	Tue. 9.30am	Thurs. 9.30am	Fri. 9.30am
No Mass	No Mass		Special Intention

- **Weekday Masses:** There will be no 9:30am Mass on Monday or Tuesday this week.



- **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy: **Adrijan Ivanovas** and **Taja Altay** through the sacrament of Baptism last Sunday, as we continue to pray God's blessings on them and their families, as they begin their Christian lives.

- **Enrolment for Confirmation:** Next weekend, we will welcome the young people of our parish wishing to be enrolled for preparation for Confirmation, which will be celebrated next year on the 11th March, at 3pm in St Mary's

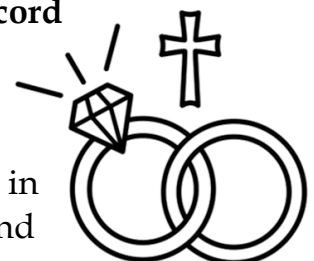
Church, Navan (due to the large numbers expected). We look forward to welcoming the parents and families of the budding Confirmandi. Whilst parents have the main role in this preparation through the example of Christian faith in the home, the school has an important position in the breaking open of the rich teaching of the faith, all guided by the community of faith that is the parish in which the Christian Faithful gather as God's family to praise Him each Sunday at Mass. We support these young parishoners in their preparation through our prayers offered for them and encouragement we give them in the practice and knowledge of the faith; particularly in helping them in understanding the meaning and consequences of the sacrament and their place in our parish community. May the Holy Spirit guide and direct all of us in this sacred task of sharing the Faith.



- **Bus to Knock - Legion of Mary Pilgrimage** on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September. Bus pick-up - Johnstown 8am Fairgreen, Navan - 8.15am. Contact 087 9299544 to book a seat.

- **Getting Married in 2025/2026: - Details of Pre-Marriage Courses:** Accord Navan Marriage Preparation Programmes: 28th September & 5th October 2025, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Also Friday 17th October 7pm - 10pm & Saturday 18th October 2025 9am-4.30pm. Book on Accord.ie or phone 046 9023146

- **Marriage Enrichment Weekend:** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November in Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For information and booking [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)



● **YOUCAT Companion Study Group:** Would you like to know your faith better? Do you wish to learn what Catholics actually believe? Be able to answer those difficult questions about the Catholic faith that friends or colleagues put to you? Join us on Wednesdays at 7:30pm beginning with an information night on 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. More information is available via [navanyoucat@gmail.com](mailto:navanyoucat@gmail.com).

### Hymn: Lourdes Magnificat

1/My soul now glorifies  
The Lord who is my Saviour.  
Rejoice for who am I,  
That God has shown me  
favour.

God's greatness and his glory

Are humbled and defeated.

2/ The World shall call me  
bless'd  
And ponder on my story,  
In me is manifest

3/ For those who are his  
friends  
And keep his laws as holy  
His mercy never ends  
And he exalts the lowly.

5/He feeds the starving poor  
He guides his holy nations,  
Fulfilling what he swore  
Long since in revelation.

4/But by his pow'r the great  
The proud, the self conceited  
The kings who sit in state

6/Then glorify with me  
The Lord who is my Saviour,  
One Holy Trinity  
Forever and forever.



### School Enrolment for our Parish Schools for next year

**Lismullen: Applications from Mon. 20<sup>th</sup> Oct. - [office@lismullenns.ie](mailto:office@lismullenns.ie)**  
for new Junior Infants beginning in the 2025/2026 school year.

### SAINTS THIS WEEK

● **Memorial of St Vincent DePaul: 27<sup>th</sup> Sept:** "A Heart for the Poor" Born in 1581 in France, St. Vincent de Paul devoted his life to serving Christ through the poor, the sick, and the forgotten. Ordained a priest at just 19, he quickly became known not only for his preaching but for his deep compassion and tireless work among those in need. He founded the Congregation of the Mission to bring the Gospel to rural communities and reform the clergy. Alongside St. Louise de Marillac, he co-founded the Daughters of Charity, a ground breaking community of women who served the poor outside the cloister – an idea revolutionary for its time. St. Vincent's legacy lives on in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, established in 1833 and active in parishes around the world, including our own. His life reminds us that holiness is found not only in prayer, but in action – especially when that action lifts up the least among us. 🙏 Canonized in 1737, he is the patron saint of charitable works, and a model of Christian love in motion. His body is kept in the Church of "*Charity is the cement which binds communities to God and persons to one another.*" – St. Vincent de Paul



● **Memorial of St Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio): 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept.** Born in the small village of Pietrelcina and joined the Capuchin Order when he was 16. After being ordained, he lived for the next of San Giovanni Rotondo where he was sought after as a spiritual advisor, confessor and intercessor. He died a few days after the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his receiving the 'Stigmata' the wounds of the Crucified Christ and over 100,00 people attended his funeral "*Joy, with peace is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter.*" -Padre Pio



**A prayer of St Pio:** May Jesus comfort you in all your afflictions. May He sustain you in dangers, watch over you always with His grace, and indicate the safe path that leads to eternal salvation. And may He render you always dearer to His Divine Heart and always more worthy of Paradise. Amen

● **Mass Cards:** A selection of Mass Cards are available in the Parish Office or in Sacristies.

● **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

**Offertory: € 1,005.60 Envelopes: €524.40**

**Online:**

**Bank details for direct debits etc.** BOI Navan.  
**A/C name:** Johnstown Church Current Account  
**IBAN** IE97 BOFI 9035 0989 9651 74

**September Bulletin**

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**GAA Lotto: 14/09 - Numbers – 5,7,21,28 - No jpk winner - 2 match 3 – Alex Quigley & Laura WoodruffeJ jackpot now €14,800**