

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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

28TH 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 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

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 27th September

6:00pm: Jo Cummins (24th A.V.)
7:30pm: Denis Doherty (recently deceased);
James Callan, wife Elizabeth & son -
Vincent;
Gerard McCann (2nd A.V.)

Sunday, 28th September

9:30am: Pro Populo
11:00am: Margaret Walsh (20th A.V.)

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 4th October

6:00pm:
7:30pm: Pro Populo

Sunday, 5th October

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

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9.30am

Tue. 9.30am

Thurs. 9.30am

Fri. 9.30am



● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy: **Robyn Friel, Shane John Power** and **Jonas Zibolis**, 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:** This weekend, we 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 the 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.

● **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 1st Oct. More information is available via navanyoucat@gmail.com

● **Síol Youth Group:** Explore your faith, make friends and have fun for post confirmation youth aged 12-18. Meets every Thursday, 7:30pm-8:45pm in St Mary's Parish Rooms, Navan. Contact St Mary's Parish Office for more information. (046) 9027518





Dates of the Celebration of the continuing Sacraments of Christian Initiation

First Confession

The celebration of God's mercy in the sacrament of First Confession will take place in the evening of:

2nd March 2026 St Stephen's School

Church of the Nativity, Johnstown

3rd March 2026 Holy Trinity School, Lismullen,

Church of the Nativity, Johnstown

First Holy Communion

We will celebrate the children of our Parish receiving the Lord Jesus Christ in the sacrament of First

Holy Communion on:

16th May 2026 St Stephen's School

10am & 12 Noon

Church of the Nativity, Johnstown

23rd May 2026 Holy Trinity N.S., Lismullen:

10am

Church of the Nativity, Johnstown

Confirmation

The celebration of receiving the fulness of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on **11th March 2026 at 3pm** in St Mary's Church, Navan.

● 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 - 9am-4.30pm.

Book on Accord.ie or phone 046 9023146



● Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Friday 7th - Sunday 9th November in Focolare

Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For information and booking www.marriageencounter.ie

● Feasts of the Holy Angels. This week we will celebrate two feasts dedicated to the angels. The Archangels - St Michael, St Gabriel and St Raphael - will be celebrated on Monday, traditionally known as Michaelmas. St Michael is mentioned in the Book of Revelation as the leader of the heavenly hosts. He is patron saint of Police Forces, Soldiers and those who stand up for truth and justice. St Gabriel is sent to Mary at the Annunciation for her consent to become the Mother of God. St Raphael heals Tobit from his blindness in the Book of Tobit and as he is a guide to young Tobias on his journey is patron saint of youth. His name means God heals. On Thursday, we will celebrate the feast of the Guardian Angels. Our Catholic teaching is that everyone is given an angel by God to guide and guard them in life. The prayer to the Guardian Angel is among the first prayers taught to children.

Prayer to St Michael

Blessed Michael the Archangel, defend us in the hour of conflict; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil - may God restrain him, we humbly pray - and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust Satan down to hell, and with him, all the wicked spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



Prayer to our Guardian Angel

O Angel of God
my guardian dear,
to whom His love commits me
here,
ever this day (night) be at my side
to light and guard,
to rule and guide. Amen.

● St Oliver Plunkett 'Archbishop & Martyr' - The Life and Death of St Oliver Plunkett', a talk by the Most Rev. P. Connell, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnois to mark the 400th anniversary of St Oliver and the 50th anniversary of his canonisation - Thursday 2nd October, 7.30pm at Killeen Castle Golf Club, Dunsany, C15 FH39. All welcome - Admission free. Supported by Meath County Council Heritage Office

● 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: €728.79 Envelopes: €485.00

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