

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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PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSION SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER 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-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 18th October

6:00pm: Pro Populo

7.30pm:

Sunday, 19th October

9:30am:

11:00am: Joe Flannery & parents Mick & Kitty

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 25th October

6:00pm:

7:30pm: Pro Populo

Sunday, 26th October (Harvest Mass)

9:30am:

11:00am: Tom, Clare & Hugh Cooney
Joan McLoughlin (1st), Joe Curran (4th)

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9.30am Family Intention	Tue. 9:30am Claire Tobin	Thurs. 9.:30am Children of the Eucharist	Fri. 9:30am Andrew Spatt
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● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy: **Arabella Sophia Nunis** through the sacrament of Baptism last Sunday, as we continue to pray God's blessings on her and her family, as she begins her Christian life

● **Mission Sunday:** Today with joy, we celebrate Mission Sunday with its emphasis this year on the call to bring hope and God's love to everyone as "*Missionaries of Hope among all peoples*". All offerings made on behalf of World Mission Sunday become

part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This Fund supports missionary activities in over 1,150 young dioceses; mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. As young dioceses grow, so do their needs. On top of this, they are often found in remote areas devastated by conflict or natural disasters. The Universal Solidarity Fund provides aid so that missionaries can continue to go to these places to share the love of God. We are blessed to have the home of the Columban Fathers located in Dalgan Park here in our parish whose society has been so dedicated to work as missionaries of hope in China, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, and in South America. A collection basket and envelopes will be made available for donations in our parish churches.

An excerpt of the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV's message for World Mission Sunday- (full video of His message available at <https://youtu.be/eEwDtbZxt4c>)

"Dear Brothers and Sisters, On World Mission Sunday every year, the whole Church prays, united, particularly for missionaries and the fruitfulness of their apostolic labours. When I served as a missionary priest and then bishop in Peru, I saw first-hand how the faith, the prayer and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities. I urge every Catholic parish in the world to take part in World Mission Sunday. Your prayers, your support will help spread the Gospel, provide for pastoral and catechetical programs, help to build new churches, and care for the health and educational needs



of our brothers and sisters in mission territories. This October 19th, as we reflect together on our baptismal call to be “missionaries of hope among the peoples”; let us commit ourselves anew to the sweet and joyful task of bringing Christ Jesus our Hope to the ends of the earth. Thank you for everything you will do to help me help missionaries throughout the world. God bless you all! “Leo XIV PP

● **Harvest Thanksgiving Mass:** On Sunday, 26th October, our 11am Mass will be offered in thanksgiving to God for the bountiful harvest we have enjoyed this year, and indeed for all the fruits of the labours of our farming community, asking the Lord that we would be made worthy of even further blessings, and that He may keep all involved in farming safe and well.



● **Marriage Enrichment Weekend:** Friday 7th – Sunday 9th November in Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For information and booking www.marriageencounter.ie



School Enrolment for our Parish Schools for 2026/2027

Lismullen: Applications from Mon. 20th Oct. - office@lismullenns.ie

St Stephens: Enrolment from Wed. 1st Oct. - www.ststephensns.ie 0469020080.

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:

2 nd March 2026	St Stephen’s School	Church of the Nativity, Johnstown
3 rd 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:

16 th May 2026	St Stephen’s School	10am & 12Noon	Church of the Nativity, Johnstown
23 rd 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.



● **October – Month of the Holy Rosary.** October is given as a month to renew and refresh devotion to the Rosary as both a personal and a family prayer. The daily habit of praying the rosary helps us to grow in our love of the Lord Jesus, brings us closer to the life of heaven, and overcomes many of the difficulties that can sap the joy of faith. Take this annual invitation to pray the rosary once again.

● **November List of the Dead:** As the month of the Holy Souls approaches, parishioners are asked to prepare their family List of the Dead for prayers throughout November, and the First Friday of each Month. The List of the Dead envelope can be found in the Parish Offertory Envelopes Box and returned to the sacristies, the box at the back of our churches or the Parish office. Envelopes for compiling the List of the Dead can also be found at the back of the Churches.

● **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 in this way



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Parish Sunday Collection

Offertory: €849.91 Envelopes: €526.50

Online: €50.00

Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.
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GAA Lotto: 12/10- Numbers –4, 6, 7, 23 - jackpot now €15,200

Navan Floral Art Club: Demonstration by Margaret Quinn A.O.I.F.A., Ardboyne Hotel on Wed. 15th Oct. at 8 p.m. All are welcome.