

WEEKEND MASSES

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

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

18TH JANUARY 2026



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

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday, 17th January

6:00pm: Tom Gibbons, parents & DFM

7:30pm: Pro Populo

Sunday, 18th January

9:30am:

11:00am: Gerry & Bridie Shiels;
 Martin Maher (1st);
 Isabella Spooner (1st)

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday, 24th January

6:00pm: Oliver & Mary O'Neill

7:30pm: John Dowd (3rd)

Sunday, 25th January

9:30am: Pro Populo

11:00am: Michael Woods (1st);
 Margaret Geraldine Monerawela (9th);
 Mary McCabe (3rd);
 Jack Finnegan (5th) & Nancy- Birthday Rem.

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am

Tue. 9:30am

Thurs: 9:30am

Fri: 9:30am

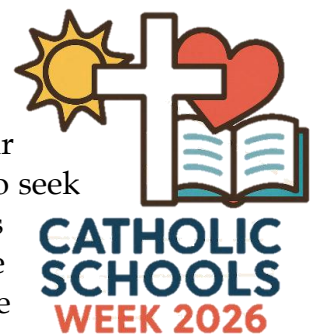
● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy, **Elysa Therese Domingo**, through the sacrament of Baptism last week. We pray God's blessings on her, her parents and family.

● **Rest in Peace:** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Seamus Camplisson**, formerly of Walterstown, who was recently laid to rest in Galway and pray for the parents of Baby Demi Anna Lawlor, Mullingar.

● **Catholic Schools Week 2026:** 18th-24th Jan. 2026 Catholic Schools – “Normal Lives, Called to Holiness”

“Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith.” Catholic Schools Week celebrates the role played in our parish and society by the schools that are inspired by our Catholic Faith, and who seek to make themselves schools of the gospel, so that all may know their dignity as loved by God our heavenly Father. This year's theme is to reflect on the extraordinary call to holiness in the midst of ordinary life. Inspired by Pope Francis's reflection on Blessed Carlo Acutis this year's theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to explore the call to holiness as something both universal and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for all; not reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for every student, teacher, parent, (and grandparent!) living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ. Catholic schools exist to form individuals who know that their lives have a purpose and a calling. This year's theme, “Normal Lives, Called to Holiness,” resonates with the central conviction that education is a path not only to knowledge and maturity but to sainthood. “Each of us is called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do.” Daily Themes

Each day of the week reflects a different dimension of our call to holiness: **Monday: Called to Holiness through Prayer:** Holiness begins with a relationship with God. Children will learn that prayer is the lifeblood of that relationship—from silent moments to joyful praise, from formal prayers to personal words shared with Jesus.



Tuesday: Called to Holiness through Love and Friendship: Holiness is lived in love of neighbour, in kindness, forgiveness, and friendship. Inspired by the words of Jesus, “Love one another as I have loved you” (John 15:12).

Wednesday: Called to Holiness in Family Life – Grandparents’ Day: A cherished tradition, this day honours the vital role grandparents and elders play in passing on the faith and in showing how holiness can be lived over a lifetime. Pupils will be encouraged to show gratitude and celebrate their family roots.

Thursday: Called to Holiness through Service and Courage: Young people will explore how self-giving love and courage in the face of challenges form part of holiness. Stories of saints who served the poor, forgave their enemies, or stood up for what is right will be shared.

Friday: Called to Holiness through Joy and Mission: Holiness is not grim but joyful! The final day focuses on the joy of the Gospel and how young people are called to be missionary disciples who share Christ through action and word in the world.

Hymn: Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best thought by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light	Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one	Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art	High King of heaven, my victory won May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Son! Heart of my own heart, what ever befall Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.
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● **Word of God Sunday Invitation to Parish Readers:** Next Sunday has been given the title of “Word of God Sunday” that invites us to reflect on the meaning of the scriptures in our life.

We are particularly indebted to our Parish Readers who so dedicatedly proclaim the Word of God at every Parish Mass. This is a truly beautiful ministry in which our parishioners lend their voices to proclaim God’s Word. To highlight this important ministry, our Parish Readers (both Weekday and Sunday) in each church are invited to Sunday Mass next week – Walterstown Readers 9:30am – Johnstown Readers 11:00am to receive a blessing for their ministry. If you would like to become a reader in our parish, please drop your name into the Parish Office.

● **Parish Council and Pastoral Area:** Members of our Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday evening with members of the other Parish Council which make up our Pastoral Grouping of Parishes: (Navan, Bohermeen and Oristown) to develop opportunities for shared pastoral initiatives. This is the first of the joint meetings of the grouping of parishes that form part of the pastoral outreach and coordination plan of the diocese. May the Holy Spirit guide this work.

● The **Kingscourt Parish Pilgrimage 2026** is in the footsteps of St. Blaise and to Medjugorje 22nd - 29th September. Cost is €1350 Bookings with Navan Travel on 046 9068600 and enquiries to Kingscourt Parish Office on 042 9667314

● **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: €747.12 Envelopes: €540.52

Online: € 235.00

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Walterstown GFC would like to invite you to our Annual Senior Citizens Dinner in the Clubhouse on 01Feb at 1pm. food, drink, plenty of chats and entertainment. Please message Ethna- 086 8435807 or Séan - 087 6637956 to confirm your attendance. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Navan and District Historical Society talk on ‘Fide et Patria -for faith and fatherland’ The work of Richard King in Columbanus Hall, Canon Row, Navan on Thurs Jan 29th - 8.30 pm Fr Robert Mc Cabe. members free Non-members €5

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