

WEEKEND MASSES

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

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
29TH MARCH 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

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, 28th March

6:00pm: Thomas & Kathleen Barry & son Thomas
 Claire Mulligan

7:30pm:

Sunday, 29th March

9:30am:
 11:00am: Anne Woods (née O'Brien) (1st);
 Frankie Carroll (5th); John Lee & Carmel;
 Molly & Paddy McEvoy

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

Saturday, 4th April

8:30pm: SACRED EASTER VIGIL

Sunday, 5th April

9:30am: Mass of Easter *Missa ProPopulo*
 11:00am: Mass of Easter *Missa ProPopulo*

Weekday Mass Intentions

Mon: 9:30am List of the Dead	Tues 9:30am: Intention	Wed. 9:30am	Easter Triduum
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● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy, **Evie Rose King**, through the sacrament of Baptism last week, praying God's blessings on her and her family, as she begins her Christian life



● **Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations to **Owen Molloy and Kelly-Anne Smith**, who married on Thursday in Johnstown Church. We wish them a lifetime of love, health and happiness as they enter the sacred covenant of marriage.

● **Rest in Peace:** Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Fr Oliver O'Reilly**, late of Arva, Co. Cavan, and **Joan Sweeney (nee Barry)** late of Mitchelstown, Cork.

The Celebration of Palm Sunday - 28th/29th March

Blessing of Palms before all Masses

Palm Sunday Procession with Palms - weather permitting:

Johnstown Beginning at **10:50am** in the Church Yard before 11:00am Mass



● **Holy Week** is this week that contains the very central celebrations of the mysteries of our Faith, giving each day the title of Holy (Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday.....Holy Saturday) drawing out the wonders of God's loving plan of salvation. It is an invitation to enter into this sacred time in order to encounter the full meaning of the Passion, Death and

Resurrection of Jesus, that is for our salvation. With so much to distract us from this important week, let us take up the invitation with great intentionality that these days offer us as God's children, and follow in the path traced by Christ our saviour -from death to resurrection.

● **Church Spring Clean:** All hands needed to prepare our Churches for Easter. Johnstown Church Clean and Polish on **Tuesday following 9:30am Mass**. Please bring extra cloths and wood polish! Walterstown Clean up to be arranged. Thank you for your help!

● **Trocaire Boxes:** the fruit of Lenten penance, can be returned to the churches.



Chrism Mass: Spy Wed. 1st April, 7pm, Cathedral, Mullingar. **All welcome.**

The **Chrism Mass** is a diocesan celebration in which the priests of the diocese, gathered with the Bishop and parishioners from every parish, renew their promises of service of Christ and His People. At this Mass, the Holy Oils that will be used for the anointing's at Baptisms, Confirmations, the Sacrament of the Sick and the Last Rites are blessed and consecrated. Light refreshments served afterwards in the Parish Hall.

THE SACRED EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday

Johnstown **Mass of the Lord's Supper** 7:30pm
Procession of Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose for prayer and adoration, ending with Night Prayer at **9:30pm** which will be a special moment of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood throughout our diocese.



Good Friday

Solemn Day of Fasting & Abstinence

Walterstown **Way of the Cross 12 Noon** *Children's Dramatization*

Johnstown **Celebration of the Lord's Passion** 3pm

Johnstown: **Prayer around the Cross** 7:30pm

Holy Saturday

Johnstown **Sacred Easter Vigil** 8:30pm

Easter Sunday

Walterstown **Mass of Easter** 9:30am

Johnstown **Mass of Easter** 11:00am

Sacrament of Confession & Reconciliation

St Mary's Navan: **Tues 31st March** **All Day Confessions** 8am-9pm
with local and visiting clergy

Johnstown **Good Friday** 4:30pm-5:30pm

St Mary's Navan **Holy Saturday** 12Noon -3pm



● Easter Triduum in Navan Parish

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper St. Mary's at 6pm; St. Oliver's at 7:30pm

Good Friday Ecumenical Procession 12noon Celebration of Lord's Passion St. Mary's 3pm & St. Oliver's 7:30pm Stations of the Cross with Novena Prayers St. Mary's 9pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil St. Mary's 9pm

● **Funeral Rites during Holy Week:** Funeral Masses can be offered during Holy Week, except during the Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday-Easter Sunday) where a Funeral Service can be celebrated instead. The Deceased are received into the church during these days, and a Liturgy of the Word is prayed, with the Prayers and Commendation of the Dead being offered, followed by Christian Burial.

Offertory: €1,053.51 **Envelopes:** €555.70

Online: € 230

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Golf Classic Fundraiser - Lismullen National School: Lismullen National School Parents' Association will host a Golf Classic on 24th April in Royal Tara Golf Club. All support from the parish community would be very welcome. Please help by entering a team, sponsoring a tee or hole, or donating prizes.

St Mary's Special School, Johnstown Educational Campus, are recruiting for 2 Bus Escort posts to commence as soon as possible. Full details on educationposts.ie and indeed.com. Application closing date is 13th April.