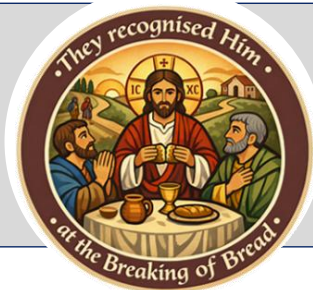


WEEKEND MASSES

WALTERSTOWN: 6:00PM (SAT VIGIL)
 JOHNSTOWN: 7:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
 WALTERSTOWN: 9.30AM (SUNDAY)
 JOHNSNTOWN: 11:00AM (SUNDAY)
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19TH APRIL 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

Third Sunday of Easter
Saturday, 18th April

6:00pm: Pro Populo
 7:30pm: Tom & May McMahon & daughter Olive
 Valentin; Ita Lyons (née Bourke) (4th); Ann Ratty
Sunday, 19th April
 9:30am: Jim & Kate Clinch
 11:00am: Frank Caffrey (MM)
 Cecil Geoghegan (13th);
 Terry Dowdall & DFM & John Hegarty;

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Saturday, 25th April

6:00pm:
 7:30pm: ProPopulo
Sunday, 26th April
 9:30am: Seamus, Eileen & Richard Hennelly
 11:00am:

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am Rory Nugent – Birthday Rem.	Tue. 9:30am Norah Connell	Thurs. 9:30am	Fri. 9:30am
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● **Baptism:** God’s Holy Church welcomed with great joy: **Jason Joseph Nowak & Annie O’Reilly**, through the sacrament of Baptism, praying God’s blessings on them and their families, as they begin their Christian lives. On Easter Sunday, **Benita Ophelia Bakanaitte & Iris Rose Varga** recived the Sacrament of Baptism in St Oliver’s Church, Navan after preparing through the Sundays of Lent.

● **First Holy Communion:** Congratulations to the 10 children from the SyroMalabar Community who received the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday. May they continue to grow in the friendship and love of our Risen Lord. We continue to pray for the children in our parish schools who preparing to receive First Holy Communion in a few weeks time.

● **Trocaire Boxes:** Thank you for your generous response to the Lenten Appeal. **The amount returned to date is €3,173.04**

Hymn: Alleluia Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the
 sceptre, His the throne.
 Alleluia! His the triumph, His
 the victory alone.
 Hark! the songs of holy Zion
 thunder like a mighty flood.
 Jesus out of every nation has
 redeemed us by His blood.

2/ Alleluia! bread of heaven,
 here on earth our food, our
 stay:
 Alleluia! here the sinful flee to
 thee from day to day.
 Intercessor, friend of sinners,
 earth's redeemer, plead for me,
 where the songs of all the
 sinless sweep across the crystal
 sea.

3/ Alleluia! King eternal, thee,
 the Lord of lords we own;
 Alleluia! born of Mary, earth
 thy footstool, heaven thy
 throne:
 thou, within the veil hast
 entered, robed in flesh, our
 great high priest;
 thou on earth both priest and
 victim, in the Eucharistic feast.

● **Saints Celebrated this Week:**

21st April St Anselm (1033-1109AD) Italian Archbishop of Canterbury in the aftermath of the Norman Conquest. Famous for his academic works in Philosophy and Theology, which he described as "Faith seeking Understanding". His great work the Proslogion argued for the existence of God through pure reason, before leading on to his attributes of Unity, Goodness, Omnipotence & Omniscience etc.



23rd April St George (c.303AD) Patron Saint of England, Georgia and Catalonia. Patronage was adopted through devotion of the Crusaders who honoured his patronage of the Holy Lands. Martyred under Emperor Diocletian.

25th April St Mark: Evangelist and Author of the 2nd Gospel, giving us a portrait of Jesus that is vivid, urgent, and full of movement. His Gospel is the shortest, yet it pulses with energy – Jesus is constantly healing, teaching, and calling people to follow Him *now*, not later. A Winged Lion is a symbol associated with St Mark. Patron Saint of Venice, Writers, Notaries and translators!

● **Vocations Sunday 26th April:** Next week the Church will celebrate Vocations Sunday as the gospel points towards Jesus as the Good Shepherd. If you feel called to be a priest, open your heart to Jesus, follow the Lord and do not be afraid. Vocations Director: Fr Tony Gonoude Phone: 044 9373923. www.meathvocations.com, vocations@dioceseofmeath.ie

● **Catholic Mothers Ireland:** vening for Women on Wed 22nd April in St Peter's Parish, Lurgan.
● **Johnstown PTAA Pioneer Meeting:** A special meeting of the Johnstown Pioneer Centre will take place in St. Columban's College, Dalgan Park on Tues 28th April 2026 at 8pm. The purpose of the meeting is to reactivate the Centre. All are welcome.

● **Retreat for Teenagers:** Inspired by St Carlo Acutis. Knock Shrine, 19th April 11am-2:30pm.

● **Sharing Easter joy with Our Lady,** the Angelus at Noon and 6pm is replaced until Pentecost with the **Regina Caeli** prayer:

Queen of heaven, rejoice,
alleluia.
For He whom you were worthy
to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray to God for us, alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin
Mary, alleluia.
R. For the Lord has truly risen,
alleluia.



Let us pray.

O God, who through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ gave joy to the world, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord.

Regina Caeli

Regina Caeli, laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare,
alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.
V. Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria,
alleluia.
R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere,

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● **Family Carers Ireland Step Up Walk:** Sun 26th April at 11am in Lough Boora Discovery Park, Co Offaly. Registration €10 per adult, children free. Sign up at www.familycarers.ie/get-involved