

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (VOCATIONS)

26TH 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-MALABRAR 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

Fourth Sunday of Easter Saturday, 25th April

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

Sunday, 26th April

9:30am: Seamus, Eileen & Richard Hennelly
 11:00am: Tony & Mary Deane

Fifth Sunday of Easter Saturday, 2nd May

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

Sunday, 3rd May

9:30am:
 11:00am: Christy Kavanagh (1st);
 Martin Smith (3rd)

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am	Tue. 9:30am	Thurs. 9:30am	Fri. 9:30am
No Mass	No Mass	No Mass	No Mass

● **No 9.30am Mass during this coming week.**

● **Rest in Peace** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **John Kavanagh**, Duleek, who was laid to rest on Tuesday

● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy: **Rían Peter McKeever, Beth Veronica Dowdall, Cillian Benedetto Dempsey-Dias & Kai Puskaric**, through the sacrament of Baptism, praying God's blessings on them and their families, as they begin their Christian lives



● **Holy Matrimony:** Congratulations to **Mark Cassidy and Boni McVey**, who married this weekend in Johnstown Church. We wish them a lifetime of love, health and happiness as they enter the sacred covenant of marriage.

● **Vocations Sunday :** This weekend the Church celebrates 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.

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Jesus, the Good Shepherd: Jesus, the Good Shepherd knows each of us. We are his sheep and he is our way to follow. He asks some to follow him in a closer way. To know him more intensely and to bring him to others. They are to be a way to God. This is the calling of the Priesthood. To know the Lord is to love and to bring love. To serve Him and to serve others. This is a beautiful ministry. To be a voice for Christ. To be a guide to Him. To be a shepherd for the Shepherd. To lead others to God. Priesthood is this call. However, to not serve, to not love is to be a false shepherd. Let us pray for good shepherds who will be the heart of Christ for others and will carry his sheep on the shoulders of their love.

● **Trocaire Boxes:** Thank you for your generous response to the Lenten Appeal. **The amount returned to date is €4,757.57**

Hymn: The Lord's my Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want,
He makes me down to lie, in pastures green;
He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For thou art with me, and thy rod
And staff me comfort me still.

My table thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling -place shall be.



God's Plan for Me: God's Plan for Me by St John Henry Newman

God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it if I do but keep His commandments. Therefore, I will trust Him, whatever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends. He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

A Prayer for Vocations

O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give your Church, helpers in the work of tomorrow.
Amen.

Prayer for Guidance

Holy Spirit give me wisdom to discern the path of life you wish me to follow. Help me to see clearly the things that matter and the things that don't. Help me to use every gift I have, remembering that it is from you. Spirit of God give me a generous and open heart, making me an instrument of peace and love in whatever choice I make. Amen.



Johnstown PTAA Pioneer Meeting: A special meeting of the Johnstown Pioneer Centre will take place in St. Columban's College, Dalgan Park this Tues 28th at 8pm. The purpose of the meeting is to reactivate the Centre. All are welcome.

Offertory: €982.00 Envelopes: €2,100.00

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