

WEEKEND MASSES

WALTERSTOWN: 6:00PM (SAT VIGIL)
JOHNSTOWN: 7:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
WALTERSTOWN: 9.30AM (SUNDAY)
JOHNSTOWN: 11:00AM (SUNDAY)
PARISH PRIEST: FR. KEVIN HEERY PP



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PARISH NEWSLETTER EASTER SUNDAY 5TH 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

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

Holy Saturday, 4th April

8:30pm: SACRED EASTER VIGIL

Easter Sunday, 5th April

9:30am: Pro Populo

11:00am: Pro Populo



Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Easter Saturday, 11th April

6:00pm: Paul & Kieran McGuinness;
Paddy Kennedy (1st) & Joseph, Katie &
John Kennedy

7:30pm: Elizabeth Moore (10th)

Low Sunday, 12th April

9:30am: Pro Populo

11:00am: Christine Reynolds (1st); John Lenihan (3rd);
Paddy & Moira King, Paddy & Elizabeth
King, Elaine & Tommy Russell, Michael & Margaret
McDonagh & Vesey & King DFM

● Weekday Mass Schedule for Easter Week:

● Easter Monday No Mass ● Easter Tuesday No Mass ● Easter Thursday 9:30am ● Easter Friday 9:30am. There will be Mass in St Mary's, Navan in Easter week at 10am (Mon -Sat).

● Trocaire Boxes: Please return Trocaire Boxes to the Churches or the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you for your generous response.

● Parish Office will be closed this week and re-open again on Tuesday 14th April

● Johnstown Church Hedge: A big thank you to Signature Turf Lawn Care and Monaghan Tree Surgeons who gave the hedge at the front and sides of Johnstown Church a long overdue pruning!

● A Special Thank you to the boys and girls of Walterstown Children's choir, who, instead of receiving an Easter Egg for their work in the choir, decided to donate the money to Trocaire and the Children's Hospital. Not to mention their help in filling all the Holy Water Bottles for Easter too!



Offertory: € 1,094.00 Envelopes: €840.00

Online: € 215.00

Bank details for direct debits etc. BOI Navan.
A/C name: Johnstown Church Current Account
IBAN IE97 BOFI 9035 0989 9651 74

April Bulletin

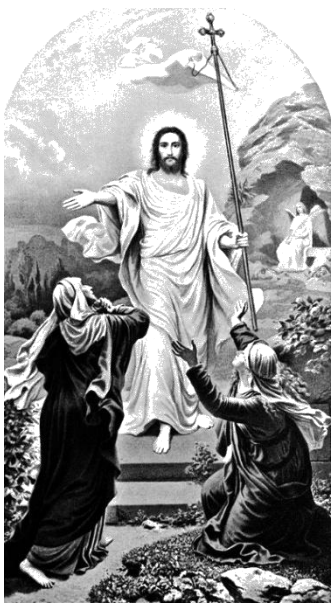
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Thank you to all our generous Sponsors!



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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



Happy Easter!

The celebrations of Holy Week, the Easter Triduum, and now this Easter Season

would be much less had it not been for the generous spirit of so, so many of our parishioners. On behalf of all our parishioners, I would like to express the thanks of the parish to all who enhanced and serviced the liturgy during these sacred days: our Parish Readers and Andrea who organises the rota, our Parish Choirs under the directions of Martina and Eileen, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Sacristans Mary and Anne, our dedicated team of Altar Servers and their Parents, Stewards and Counters, the Church Lockup Team, to Bernie and Anne for arranging flowers in both churches, the children of Walterstown who acted out a beautiful Stations of the Cross, Debbie, Sandra and our young parishioners who lead the Prayer around the Cross on Good Friday, and

Mike McGrane for electrical and elevation support. For all who gave of their time to tidy the churches, cleaning, polishing and maintaining the church grounds and prepared everything to welcome us all to the Easter Ceremonies, AnneMarie in the Parish Office and all who have done so much noticed only by the Lord, not least the generosity of so many parishioners that support our parish.

I pray the blessings of this holy season may overshadow the homes of our parish as we celebrate this most sacred time of the Christian year, that God may bestow His love, His Closeness and

His Peace upon us all. Have a very blessed Easter Season for the next 50 days, the Lord is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia!



Christ is risen!

ALLELUIA

The Easter Octave and the Season of Easter 2026

The eight days that flow from Easter Sunday to Low Sunday (next Sunday), called the Easter Octave is a time of great rejoicing, wherein each day is an Easter Day (Easter Monday, Easter Tuesday...Easter Saturday, and then Low Sunday). Enjoy celebrating after the Lenten Fast! The continuing season of Easter celebrating Christ's Resurrection lasts for 50 days, until the evening of Pentecost Sunday, and is a time marked with the great acclamation of our joy in the Lord - ALLELUIA! The Alleluia hangs on every aspect of the Sacred Liturgy and invites us to share the joy that fills our Christian hearts with all whom we encounter. In times ago, a customary greeting during this time, instead of a basic 'hello' would be "**Christ is Risen, Alleluia**" inviting a response "**He is Risen indeed, alleluia**" or in Irish "**Tá Críost éirithe! Alleluia- Go deimhin, tá sé éirithe! Alleluia**"

Sharing that 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.

Ÿ. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

Ŕ. 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. Amen

Regina Caeli

Regina Caeli, laetare, alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:

Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

Ÿ. Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria,
alleluia.

Ŕ. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.