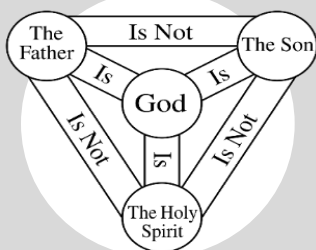


WEEKEND MASSES

WALTERSTOWN: 6:00PM (SAT VIGIL)
 JOHNSTOWN: 7:30PM (SAT VIGIL)
 WALTERSTOWN: 9.30AM (SUNDAY)
 JOHNSNTOWN: 11:00AM (SUNDAY)
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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

31ST MAY 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

The Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday, 30th May

6:00pm: Eileen & Larry McEntaggart
7:30pm: Mick O'Brien (MM); May McCormack;
 Peter Doran (4th)

Sunday, 31st May

9:30am: Sylvia Kennedy (3rd)
11:00am: Thomas Erasmus (14th)

Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Saturday, 6th June

6:00pm:
7:30pm: Mai Ryan (MM); Kevin Jones (15th)

Sunday, 7th June

9:30am: ProPopulo
11:00am: Mary Brennan (1st); Tom Moloney (5th);
 Jimmy Byrne (11th)

Weekday Mass Intention

NO MASS	Tue. 9:30am	Thurs. 9:30am Charles Fitzsimons	Fri. 9:30am
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● **No 9.30am Mass on Monday, owing to the Bank Holiday**

● **The Solemnity of Most Holy Trinity- Trinity Sunday** The faith of all Christians rests on the Trinity – One God in three Divine Persons, "*Christians are baptized in the **name** of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: not in their names, for there is only one God, the almighty Father, his only Son and the Holy Spirit: the MOST HOLY TRINITY.*" The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the "hierarchy of the truths of faith". The Trinity is a mystery of faith in the strict sense, one of the "*mysteries that are hidden in God, which can never be known unless they are revealed by God*". It is a mystery not in the sense of beyond understanding, but of something hidden and revealed by God to us. To be sure, God has left traces of his Trinitarian being in his work of creation and in his Revelation throughout the Old Testament. But his inmost Being as Holy Trinity is a mystery that is inaccessible to reason alone or even to Israel's faith before the Incarnation of God's Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit.

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

● **Opening of the New St Mary's Special School:** We heartily congratulate the Principal, Staff, Children and Board of Management of St Mary's Special School on the great occasion of the Official Opening of their new school building last Tuesday. It was a moment of great excitement and joy as the ribbon was cut to mark the beginning of this new era for Special Education in our parish and community. We wish the children and their families as well as staff and management every blessing in their new school.

● **Summertime Mass Schedule:** The Parish Pastoral Council is discerning a proposal to join our two Saturday Vigil's Masses into one Mass at 6:30pm in Johnstown for the months of July & August. If you would to feed into this discussion, please email or call the Parish Office before the next PPC meeting on 8th June.



Hymn: Holy God, We Praise thy Name

1. Holy God, we praise thy name!
Lord of all, we bow before thee!
All on Earth thy sceptre claim,
All in Heav'n above adore thee;
Infinite thy vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign.

2. Hark! the loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising!
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord;
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

3. Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name thee,
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim thee;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.

4/Spare thy people, Lord, we pray,
By a thousand snares surrounded;
Keep us without sin today;
Never let us be confounded!
Lo! I put my trust in thee;
Never, Lord, abandon me.

Prayer for Students sitting Exams Lord, be
with me as I begin my exams,
help me to think clearly, to be calm
and to express my answers accurately.
Help me to realise that you are with me
throughout my life
and with your Spirit to guide me I may reach
my full potential. Amen



**Best wishes to all our Parishioners undertaking exams this week.
You will be in our prayers.**

"Do not be anxious about anything,
but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
present
your requests to God." - Phil 4:6-7

● **Remaining Human in the Age of AI: A Summary of Magnifica Humanitas:** Pope Leo XIV has issued a landmark Encyclical Letter, *Magnifica Humanitas (Magnificent Humanity)* addressing the profound challenges and opportunities presented by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and digital technology. At its heart, the document is a call to safeguard the dignity of the human person, ensuring that technical progress always serves the common good rather than dominating humanity. **Key Themes for Our Lives:** *AI is a Tool, Not a Person:* While AI can imitate human language and solve complex problems, it lacks a soul, conscience, and the capacity for love. We must never delegate irreversible moral decisions—especially those involving life and death—to an algorithm. *The Dignity of Work:* Technology should be designed to support workers, not simply to replace them. A society that prioritises profit over the right to dignified work risks a "paradox of material progress and anthropological regression" *Truth as a Common Good:* In an era of disinformation and "fake news," we are called to an ecology of communication. Seeking and defending the truth is essential for a healthy democracy and a just society *New Forms of Slavery:* The Pope warns against "digital colonialism" and the hidden exploitation of workers who "label" data or mine resources for our devices in dangerous conditions. *Building a "Civilization of Love":* We are not meant to be passive spectators of these changes. The Encyclical invites us to: "Disarm" our words by rejecting the "war of words" online and choosing language that heals rather than divides. Invest in education, helping the younger generation use digital tools critically and responsibly. Prioritise physical presence, remembering that the human heart yearns for genuine closeness—such as shared meals and community gatherings—that a screen cannot provide. By placing God at the forefront and the human person at the centre, we can ensure that the "construction site" of our era leads to a home where righteousness and peace can embrace.

● **Meath Regional Pioneers Mass** will be celebrated by Bishop Deenihan on Friday 5th June at 7.30pm in Walshestown Church Mullingar

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● **Walterstown Lotto- 24th May** Numbers drawn 9,10,16,26 No jackpot winner. 4 with 3numbers - Joe Mc Mahon x 2 Breege O' Keeffe. Mark Fahy. Next weeks' jackpot €1,700.