

WEEKEND MASSES

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



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PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23RD AUGUST 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
BAPTISMS: SUNDAY FOLLOWING 11:00AM MASS – *ENQUIRIES TO PARISH OFFICE*
CONFESSION: CELEBRATED IN THE CONFESSIONAL IN JOHNSTOWN, SATURDAY, 6:10PM

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 22nd August

6:30pm: Sheila Lynch ; John & Breda Keogan;
Irene Mangan (MM)

Sunday, 23rd August

9:30am: ProPopulo

11:00am: Paddy Murphy & Mary Lynch

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 29th August

6:30pm: Souls interred in Parish Cemeteries

Sunday, 30th August

9:30am: ProPopulo

11:00am: Souls interred in Parish Cemeteries

Weekday Mass Intention

Mon. 9:30am

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Tues. 9:30am

Thurs. 9:30am

Fri. 9:30am

● **Baptism:** God's Holy Church welcomed with great joy, **Alfie Michael Lyness, James Kit (Séimí) Clinch-Bannon & L'Jay Sean Farrell**, into God's family through the Sacrament of Baptism. We pray God's blessings on them and their families as they begin their Christian lives

● **Cemetery Devotions 2026:** We will gather for the Annual Prayers for our Faithful Departed interred in the cemeteries of our parish next Sunday 30th August.

TempleKieran Cemetery: 1pm

Mounttown Cemetery: 3pm

Old Kilcarn Cemetery: 5pm

Please be mindful of those who may need assistance in tending a loved one's plot in preparation for our cemetery devotions. Take away and recycle where possible any rubbish that may arise in tidying graves. A special word of thanks to all who maintain our parish cemeteries throughout the year, especially the generosity of time given by our Parish Cemetery Committees.

Please be generous in supporting the collection that will be taken up at the entrance to the cemeteries which goes towards offsetting the bills associated with keeping the cemeteries tidied and accessible for families visiting a Loved One's resting place, as well as ensuring a welcoming place for those who will escort the remains of a loved one on a funeral day in the coming year. Donations can be made online too.

● A **Columbarium Wall** has been built in TempleKieran Cemetery where the ashes of loved ones who have been cremated may be placed. Enquires to the parish office.



● **Weekend Mass Schedule:** Our normal Weekend Mass Schedule will resume from **Saturday 5th September** in Walterstown at 6pm and in Johnstown at 7.30pm after the Summer holidays Schedule. The Parish Pastoral Council welcome feedback from parishioners as to what their experience of this change meant to them and the parish.



●**Financial Support of the Parish: Preparations for the printing of next year's Boxes of Parish Envelopes are underway.** Parishioners who wish to begin contributing to parish funds by envelope, or Standing Order please contact the Parish Office or if you have decided to change in your way of supporting the parish from contributing by envelope to another means (S/O, Direct Debit, Online, Annual Contribution) please let the office know.

●**Leaving Certificate Results:** Congratulations to our young parishioners who received Leaving Certificate Results on Friday. We wish you the very best in the new possibilities that lie open to you and pray God's blessings on the decisions in what road you now take. *"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end!"*

●**Welcome Back to School:** We wish every blessing to our even younger parishioners as they return to our parish schools this week, and of course a big welcome to the new Junior Infants on their first day of school. A big welcome back too, to the school principals, teachers, SNA's and school staff at the beginning of this new academic year. May they have a blessed year of happiness, learning and growth in the love of the Lord.

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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.	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!	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.
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TARA TO SLANE PILGRIMAGE

Ireland invites couples to a residential weekend from 2nd- 4th October at the 'Focolare Centre, Curryhills', Co Kildare. Step away from daily distractions, to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. www.marriageencounter.ie

●**Johnstown Pioneer Centre 75th Anniversary:** A special Mass will be offered to mark this important milestone in Johnstown Church on Friday 18th September 2026 at 7.30pm. Presentation of Pioneer Emblems will be presented to those eligible in the following categories, 10 years, Silver (25 yrs), Gold (50 yrs), Diamond (60 yrs). For further information contact Kay Mob. 086 3684959 or Mary Mob. 086 3592636.



● **Weekend Retreats:** given by the Benedictine Monks of Perpetual Adoration in Silverstream Priory on various topics related to monastic teaching and practice. The retreats will consist of four conferences taking place from Friday evening until Sunday afternoon. Retreatants are welcome to stay overnight or to visit only during the daytime for the conferences, Mass, and the Divine Office with the monks. See website for various dates: www.cenacleosb.org/school-of-lords-service



● **Honey for Sale:** Local Honey from Johnstown, recently harvested, is on sale from the Parish Office.

Offertory: €844.62 Envelopes: €392.00

Online: € 5

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Walterstown GAA ClubDraw: 16/08/2026 - Numbers drawn 10,15,22,23 - Next weeks jackpot €2,900