# MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH SATURDAY 3RD JANUARY 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Angela Broderick, Knockiel 1st Anniversary

Kathleen Lupton, Coolkerry & deceased members of the

Corry & Fogarty Families. Oliver Browne, Moore St.

**SUNDAY 4TH JANUARY 2026** 

Errill: 10am: Mairead Gaffney-Moore, Village View, 1st Anniversary

Jer & Teresa Dowling, Knockardgannon & deceased members of the Dowling & Tierney Families.

Kathleen Hassett, Lisduff.

Masses During this Week

Monday No Mass

Tues 10am Rathdowney: Feast of the Epiphany

Wed & Thursday Mass at 10am
Friday 10am: Elizabeth Fields.

Recent Deaths: Gladys McClean, Rossmore, Errill.

Clem Whyte, Ballynevin, Cullohill.

# MASSES NEXT WEEKEND SATURDAY 10th JANUARY 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Liam Cummins, Knockiel

Betty, Billy & John O'Brien, Donaghmore

Jer Campion, Coolkerry

#### **SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2026**

Errill: 10am: Mary Hetherington & deceased members of the

Hetherington Family, Harristown. Thomas & Mary Wall, Rossmore Sonny O'Connor, Lismorougha

### **Collections**

Weekend 21st/22nd December 2025

Loose Plate - €287 Envelopes - €4969

#### Christmas & Weekend 28th/29th December 2025

Loose Plate - €1490 Envelopes - €1546

## **Adoration**

Will resume in Rathdowney on Thursday 15th January and in Errill on Friday 16th January

Rosary each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

#### **Blood Donation Clinic**

Scoil Bhride National School, Rathdowney

Thursday 8th January 16.30pm to 20.40pm

Check your eligibility and book your appointment at www.giveblood.ie or call 1800 222 111

#### **Anam Cara monthly Parent Support Evening**

#### Wednesday14th January at 7.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age their child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email <a href="mailto:info@anamcara.ie">info@anamcara.ie</a>

Newsletter for the Parishes of Durrow and Rathdowney 3rd/4th January 2026 2nd Sunday of Christmas 6th January - Feast of the Epiphany



#### An Epiphany

Three kings came to see the king and asked him where the new king was born. But the first king told the three kings that he didn't know where the second king was. His advisors looked in the Bible – though not in First or second kings – and found that the second king was to be born in Bethlehem. So the first king told the three kings to find the second king and tell him, the first king, where the second king was, because the first king thought the second king was one king too many. But when the three kings found the second king they realised that he was actually the number one-king – the King of Kings – and that, compared with him, the other king and all other kings were really not kings at all.

#### The Dalai Lama's advice for a New Year

- 1. Take into account that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
- 2. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
- 3. Follow the three Rs:-Respect for self. -Respect for others -Responsibility for all your actions.
- 4. Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.
- 5. Learn the rules so you know how to break them properly.
- 6. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
- $7.\ When you\ realize\ you've\ made\ a\ mistake,\ take\ immediate\ steps\ to\ correct\ it.$
- 8. Spend some time alone every day. Maybe even use this time to pray!
- 9. Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values.
- 10. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
- 11. Live a good, honourable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll be able to enjoy it a second time.
- 12. A loving atmosphere in your home is the foundation for your life.
- 13. In disagreements with loved ones, deal only with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.
- 14. Share your knowledge. It's a way to achieve immortality.
- 15. Be gentle with the earth.
- 16. Once a year, go someplace you've never been before.
- 17. Remember that the best relationship is one in which your love for each other exceeds your need for each other.
- 18. Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.

#### MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

#### **SATURDAY 3RD JANUARY 2026**

**Cullohill 7.30pm:** May Whyte, Cullohill.

Judy Brophy, Aughmacart

Jimmy Dunne, Belmont, Cullohill

**Durrow 7.30pm:** Anna May Kenna, St Fintan's Tce

#### **SUNDAY 4TH JANUARY 2026**

**Durrow 11.15 am:** Harold & Sheila Lawlor, Mill Road, Durrow

Charlotte Walsh, Ballykealy, Durrow.

#### Masses During this Week

Mon Mass in Durrow at 8.50am
Wed to Fri Mass in Durrow at 8.50am

Cullohill Mon 5th Jan. 7.30 pm

Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Epiphany

Durrow Tues 6th Jan 11.15am

Feast of the Epiphany

**Recent Death:** Clem Whyte, Ballynevin, Cullohill.

#### **MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

#### SATURDAY 10TH JANUARY 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm Kieran Costigan, Cannonswood.

Durrow 7.30pm:

SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2026

Durrow 11.15am:

### <u>Collections</u> <u>No Collections to Hand</u>

#### **Adoration**

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 8.50—9.50am, in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays

# **Parish Office Opening Hours**

Rathdowney will re-open on Tuesday 6th January 2026 and Durrow on Wednesday 7th January 2026

# **SAFEGUARDING**

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www.towardshealing.ie
Towards Peace Helpline: 01-505 3028

#### Parish Representatives Rathdowney

John Casey & Helen Campion Durrow

www.towardspeace.ie

Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

# Parish Office Has Moved!

You can now visit the Parish Office in the old Community Employment premises in Durrow, to book anniversaries, Baptisms etc and buy signed Mass cards and other religious items.

Entry from the Church car park. The Community Employment office is now situated where we were.