

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH**

**SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2026**

**Rathdowney 6pm:** Pat Delaney, Coolkerry. Month's Mind  
Hannah Finane, Mooreville  
Matthew Clancy, Rapla  
Tommy & Marcella Byrne Ballybuggy,  
and deceased members of the Webster family

**SUNDAY 22ND MARCH 2026**

**Errill 9.30am:** Ann Marie Bowden, Village View  
William Hogan, Conoboro Road  
Deceased members of the Rathdowney/Errill GAA Club

**MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY**

**Tues 10am:** Eileen Hyde, Glosa Road  
**Wed:** Mass at 10 am  
**Thursday:** Rita O'Brien,  
**Friday:** Deceased members of the Fitzpatrick family, Kyledellig  
**Recent Deaths:** Niall Wallis, Coolkerry  
**Anniversaries:** Kathy Dowling, Daly Terrace  
John Dowling, Clonmeen  
Mary & John Holohan, Middlemount

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND – Palm Sunday**

**SATURDAY 28TH MARCH 2026**

**Rathdowney 6pm: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass**  
Kathleen Carroll, Kilbreedy  
Norah Ryan, Ossory Terrace  
PJ Costigan, Coolkerry

**SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2026**

**Errill 9.30am** Angela Tighe, Kylemalawn  
Kieran O'Dea, Level Meadows  
Mary & John Gleeson, Knockardgannon

**Collections**

**Weekend 14th / 15th March 2026**

Loose Plate - € 336 Envelopes - € 878

**Adoration**

Rathdowney on Thursday after Mass until 12 noon  
Errill on Friday from 10am until 12 Noon  
**Rosary** each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

**Epilepsy Awareness Day**

Purple Day or Epilepsy Awareness Day Will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026.  
In Ireland today, over 45,000 people live with epilepsy.  
For further information, please visit [www.epilepsy.ie](http://www.epilepsy.ie)

**St. Bernadette's Community Hall Committee**

present "A Song A Tune and A Tale" an evening of entertainment on Friday next 27<sup>th</sup> March in the hall from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Artists include The Finns, Ann-Marie Delaney, Nora Fogarty, Eddie Dowling's Céili Band joined by Brendan Ryan and Willie Fogarty, Michael Creagh, The Creaghs, Christine Fogarty, Jack and Mary Fahy and Noel Joyce.

This promises to be two hours of top-class entertainment, not to be missed.

Admission including raffle ticket €15 payable on the door – Over 12's only.

We would love to see you there.

**Newsletter for the Parishes of**

**Durrow and Rathdowney**

**21st / 22nd March 2026**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**SAFEGUARDING**

Designated Liaison Person  
Fintan Fanning - 085 802 1633  
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Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997  
Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313 416  
[www.towardshealing.ie](http://www.towardshealing.ie)

Towards Peace Helpline: 01-505 3028  
[www.towardspeace.ie](http://www.towardspeace.ie)

**Parish Representatives**

**Rathdowney**  
John Casey & Helen Campion  
**Durrow**  
Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

**Pastoral Council Members**

**Rathdowney**

Assumpta Casey; Helen Campion;  
Tony Holohan; Fran Doyle; Maureen  
Guilfoyle; Oliver Kennedy, Mary Nolan,  
Mary O'Dea, Tadhg Keane;  
Sr Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

**Durrow**

Martin Lawlor; Mary Lawlor; James  
Walsh; Vicky Murphy;  
Margaret Murphy; Liam Kavanagh;  
Pádraig Kiely;  
Anne-Marie Kiely  
Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

**Diocese of Ossory Lenten Programme**

**Trócaire Stations of the Cross**

Praying the Stations of the Cross using reflections from Trócaire. Come and experience this moment of prayer in song, Silence and hope. All are welcome

Location: St Marys Cathedral, Kilkenny

Date: Good Friday, 3rd April at 7.00pm

**Mass of Chrism**

Will take place in St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny  
on Wednesday 1st April at 7.30 pm All are welcome.

**Easter Ceremonies 2026**

**Holy Thursday – 2nd April**

**7.30 pm Rathdowney** Mass of the Lord's Supper

**7.30pm Durrow** Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday – 3rd April**

**12 Noon Errill** Stations of the Cross

**3pm Rathdowney** Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**3pm Durrow** Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**7pm Cullohill** Passion Walk

From Cullohill Castle to the Church  
praying the 14 Stations of the Cross along the way

**Holy Saturday – 4th April**

**8pm Durrow** Easter Vigil

**8pm Errill** Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday - 5th April**

**7.00am Dawn Mass** Daly Terrace, Rathdowney

**10.00 am Cullohill** Mass for Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection

**11.00 am Durrow** Mass for Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection

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**Cullohill 7.30pm:** Maura Begadon, Oldtown. Month's Mind  
Joe White, Rapla, Cullohill

**SUNDAY 22ND MARCH 2026**

**Durrow 11.00am:** Michael Soames, Greenview, Ballyragget  
Peadar Duggan, Lakefield & his sister Nancy.

**MASSES DURING THIS WEEK**

**Mon to Fri:** Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

**Recent Deaths:**

**Anniversaries:**

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**Cullohill 7.30pm:** Michael McEvoy, Rapla

**SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2026**

**Durrow 11.00am: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass**  
Thomas & Ellen Lalor, Cork Road, Durrow

**Collections**

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Loose Plate - € 235 Envelopes €1,112

**Adoration**

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 10am to 11am  
and in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays  
and on Fridays from 7-8pm.

**Do you have a family member or friend in a nursing home?**

Sr. Anita and I like to visit parishioners who are living in Nursing Homes or other Care settings. If you have a relative or know of someone from the parish in any Nursing Home or long-term care centre please let us know. You can contact me, or Sr. Anita directly or alternatively leave the details in the Parish Office.

*Fr. Martin*

**Clothes Collection**

Cullohill NS Parent's Council are holding a clothes collection in aid of the school. Large bins will be left at the front of the school during February and March. Please ensure all clothes/items are placed into tied refuse sacks.

See posters for details of items accepted.

**Table Quiz**

In support of Durrow Tidy Towns will take place in Bobs Bar, Durrow on Friday 3rd April at 8pm. Table of four €40. Prizes on the night

We welcome into Durrow Parish Community  
Daire Dooley  
who is being baptised this weekend.

