


| MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH | |
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| | <u>SATURDAY 20th September</u> |
| Rathdowney 6pm: | Connie Browne, Daly Terrace Larry Dunne, Knockiel Séamus Lee, Main Street |
| | <u>SUNDAY 21st September</u> |
| Errill 10am: | Pat Kelly, Village View Catherine Treacy, Quigley Park Jack & Peggy White, Ballagh |
| | <u>Masses During the Week</u> |
| Monday: | No Mass |
| Tuesday to Friday: | Mass at 10am |
| | <u>MASSES NEXT WEEKEND</u> |
| | <u>SATURDAY 27th September</u> |
| Rathdowney 6pm: | Paddy Powell, Knockiel Michael Walsh, Gloscha Daniel & Josephine Guilfoyle, Templequain |
| | <u>SUNDAY 28th September</u> |
| Errill 10am: | Mary, Tommy & Josie Healy, Clonmeen Wood Paddy Hassett, Lisduff Kathleen Grogan, Knockardgannon |
| Anniversaries: | Peggy O'Reilly, Church Street |
| | <u>Collections Weekend 13th / 14th September 2025</u> |
| | Loose Plate - € 271 Envelopes - € 844 |
| | <u>Adoration</u> |
| | Rathdowney on Thursday after Mass until 12 noon Errill on Friday from 10am until 12 Noon |
| | <u>Rosary</u> continues each evening Monday to Friday at 5.30pm on the Webcam. |

Annual General Meeting:
St Bernadette's Community Hall, Errill.
Join us for the Annual General Meeting of St Bernadette's Hall on
Wednesday 1st October at 8pm in the hall.
This is a great opportunity to get involved, hear about our plans and share your ideas for the future of our community hall.
Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.
The Hall Committee

Rathdowney Youth Cafe
It is time for the Youth Café to reopen and unfortunately we are **NOT** going to be able to open for the present 6TH CLASS due to lack of volunteers. If anyone would like to help out with a couple of hours a month (Fridays 7 to 830pm) please contact Mags on (087)7546745

We welcome into Rathdowney Parish Community
Luella Marie Bourke Fleming
& Frankie Tim Scott
who are being baptised this weekend.



Newsletter for the Parishes of
Durrow and Rathdowney
20th / 21st September 2025
Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| <u>Pastoral Council Members</u> 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 | <u>SAFEGUARDING</u> Designated Liaison Person Ailish Higgins - 085 802 1633 safeguarding@ossory.ie Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997 Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313 416 www.towardshealing.ie Towards Peace Helpline: 01-505 3028 www.towardspeace.ie Parish Representatives Rathdowney John Casey & Helen Campion Durrow Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy |
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Parish Shops
Both parish shops have a new range of gifts in stock for First Communion, Baptism and other events.
Candles, Rosary Bracelets, Crosses & Chains, Rosary Beads, Bibles, Grave Ornaments
Come in and have a look!
We also carry a large range of signed Mass Cards and Mass Bouquets for a variety of intentions.

Milford Care Centre & Anam Cara
the organisation that supports bereaved parents in your community, will host a Bereavement Information Evening
on **Thursday 9th October** at 7:00pm
in the Castletroy Park Hotel, Dublin Road, Limerick.
Our guest speaker is Dr. Tara Geraghty, a clinical psychologist with Cancer Care West. She has a special interest in supporting those directly and indirectly impacted by cancer related distress and bereavement.
This is a free event. Contact Number: Office 01 4045378
Email Address:l.milligan@anamcara.ie

| <u>Parish Office Opening Hours</u> | |
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| Rathdowney | Durrow |
| Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9.30am - 2pm & Friday 9.30am - 1pm | Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10am to 2 pm |

Upcoming Event
Fr. Frank Brennan, SJ., a Jesuit priest and Rector of Newman College at the University of Melbourne, will present a lecture “From Pope Francis to Pope Leo XVI: An Australian Perspective”, in St Patrick's Parish Centre, Loughboy, Kilkenny on Thursday 25th September 2025 at 7.30 pm. **All are welcome.**
The National Trust classified Fr Frank as a Living National Treasure. Frank serves on the boards of Jesuit Social Services & the National Apology Foundation for Indigenous Australians & on the Advisory Council of the Global Foundation. His research interests include conscience and faith, human rights and the rule of law, and the rights of Indigenous peoples and asylum seekers.

| <u>MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH</u> | |
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| | <u>SATURDAY September 20th</u> |
| Cullohill 7.30 pm: | |
| Durrow 7.30 pm: | Philomena Delaney (née Kavanagh) Carrigan Street Months Mind |
| | <u>SUNDAY September 21st</u> |
| Durrow 11.15 am: | Jim Dwyer, Cork Road, Durrow |
| | <u>MASSES DURING THE WEEK</u> |
| Monday to Thursday: | Mass in Durrow at 8.50am |
| | <u>MASSES NEXT WEEKEND</u> |
| | <u>SATURDAY September 27th</u> |
| Cullohill 7.30 pm: | |
| Durrow 7.30 pm: | |
| | <u>SUNDAY September 28th</u> |
| Durrow 11.15 am: | Kathleen Kearney, Durrow Months Mind Tom Walsh, Ballykiely Aine Murphy, Dunmore, Durrow |
| | <u>Collections Weekend 13th / 14th September 2025</u> |
| | Loose Plate - €295 Envelopes - €937 |
| | <u>Adoration</u> |
| | 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 and on Fridays from 7-8pm. |

Breast Cancer Awareness Month
"Breast Cancer Awareness Month takes place October 1st-31st.
For further information, please log onto www.breastcancerireland.com."

Cemetery Plot Inquiry
From time to time, I am approached by someone looking to purchase a grave in the Parish section of the cemetery in Durrow.
I'm also aware that over the years, some graves have been reserved in Durrow by families from the Cullohill end of the parish. When the cemetery opened in Cullohill, many opted to be buried in this new cemetery instead.
What I'm trying to establish is whether there are plots reserved in Durrow which will not now be needed. I would really appreciate it if you could contact me with any relevant information.

Fr Martin

Community Climate Action & Green Enterprise Programme
Commencing in October. This free training initiative, developed by Laois Partnership Company and Habitat for Knowledge, will equip participants with the knowledge and tools to take action on climate change, biodiversity, and sustainability in their own communities or enterprises. The programme runs across seven sessions, blending in-person and online learning. It covers themes such as biodiversity, circular economy, climate change mitigation, peatland and water protection, and project planning for funding readiness. Participants will develop draft project plans that can form the basis of future initiatives, including potential LEADER funding applications.
Sign up today - Email yosef@habitatforknowledge.ie