

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 11TH APRIL 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Terry Smeaton, Church Street
Joe & Ellen Campion & deceased members of the
Campion Family, Ballybuggy
Mary, Jackie, Thomas & Lizzie Bowe, Daly Terrace

SUNDAY 12TH APRIL 2026

Errill 9.30am: Karl Quigley-Hayes, The Showgrounds
William, Margaret & Noel O’Dea, Clonmeen

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

Mon 12 noon: Funeral Mass for Kevin Morrissey, Kilcoran
Tues 10am: Service of the Word & Distribution of Holy Communion
Wed: Mass at 10 am
Thursday: Service of the Word & Distribution of Holy Communion
Friday: Mass at 10am

Recent Deaths: Ann Williams, (née Whelan) Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex
and late of Harristown, Rathdowney
Martin Ryan, Watford, U.K. and late of Rathdowney

Anniversaries: Paddy Ryan, Daly Terrace
James & Catherine O’Gorman, Main Street

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 18TH APRIL 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Niall Wallis, Coolkerry, Month’s Mind
Kieran O’Sullivan, The Showgrounds
Maisie & Eddie O’Brien, Quigley Park
Patrick White, Mooreville

SUNDAY 19TH APRIL 2026

Errill 9.30am Betty & Tim Keane, Monamondra
Harry Wynne, Kyleahaw, & his parents Bill & Mary
Patrick & Maureen Bergin, Lismorrougha

Collections

Weekend 4th/5th April 2026

Loose Plate - €556 Envelopes - € 2906

Adoration

Adoration in Rathdowney resumes on Thursday 16th April after 10am Mass
and in Errill on Friday 24th from 10am until 12 Noon

Rosary each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

We welcome into Rathdowney Parish Community
Christopher Da Cruz Powell and Fiadh Meadhbh McArthur
who are being baptised this weekend.



Petitions for Medjugorje

Anyone wishing to send a petition to Medjugorje with the Parish Pilgrimage
which takes place during this week from **14th to 21st April**
can drop them in a sealed envelope into either Parish Office.
Please **DO NOT** include money with these as they will not be opened.

Local History Talk

Stephen Cahill will hold a talk in St. Bernadette’s Hall, Errill on April 23rd at 7.30pm.
Topics include

- Remembering Jane Costigan and Margaret Nolan whose generosity resulted in the building of Our Lady Queen of the Universe Church in Errill.
- History of St Columba’s Church in Grogan which will include details on its 17 stained glass windows.
- Early days of the schools at Castle Fleming and Errill.

Newsletter for the Parishes of

Durrow and Rathdowney

11th/12th April 2026

Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday.

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person
Fintan Fanning - 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

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

Anam Cara Online Bereavement Support

Information Evening for bereaved parents. All Anam Cara events are free
and open to parents whose child or children have died, regardless of the
age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement.

This event will take place online on Tuesday 14 April at 7pm.

Our professional speaker this month is Bryan Nolan. M.A.

who has a Certified Healthcare Chaplaincy from D.C.U.

with specialisations in end-of-life, grief, and loss care.

He has worked with the Irish Hospice Foundation for over 13 years.

For many parents, it can feel strange or even scary to access supports,
especially outside their community. Bereavement Information Evenings are
often the first point of contact for bereaved parents accessing supports like

this, as there is no expectation to speak or even to have the camera on. All
are very welcome to just come and sit and listen and be assured in the
knowledge that they are not alone.

Contact infor@anamcara.ie or call 085 288 8888 to register.

National Epilepsy Week

National Epilepsy Week 2026 takes place on 18th May - 25th May.

For further information, please visit www.epilepsy.ie

Patrick Feeney in Concert

Come and enjoy an Evening with Patrick Feeney & his Band on their
Gospel Concert Tour - Saturday April 25th in Church of St Joseph & St
Brigid, Bóthar na Naomh Church, Thurles @ 8.00 p.m.

Ticket Donation: €30. Proceeds towards Cathedral Reroofing Project.

Tickets available from Thurles Parish Centre (0504 22229), Bookworm,
Liberty Square (0504 22257) & Holycross Parish Office (0504 43124)

Bishop’s Tree

On Sunday 26th April, at 3pm

Mass will be celebrated in Bishopswood, Cork Road, Durrow
to commemorate a Bishop who, while celebrating Mass in a Mass Pit in Dereen
was seized on by his persecutors, dragged into the wood, tied to a tree and left
there until he died.

The Durrow Pipe Band will lead the procession
from the entrance of the wood to the area where the Bishop’s Tree once stood

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SUNDAY 12TH APRIL 2026

Durrow 11.00am: Peg & Michael Fitzpatrick, Tubberboe
Tom & Martin Moore, Tubberboe
Sarah Doody, Durrow
Annie Carroll, Durrow

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Mon to Fri: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

Recent Deaths: Betty Kirby, Gurteen, Cullohill.

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Cullohill 7.30pm Betty Ryan, Ballybooden
Jack Drennan, Oldtown & his sister Lily.

SUNDAY 19TH APRIL 2026

Durrow 11.00am: Richard Snr (Dick) & Sarah Dempsey, The Square
Michael & Ellen Dempsey The Square,
& all deceased members of the Dempsey family

Collections

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Loose Plate - €714 Envelopes €880

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.

Conference on Stroke

The 5th National Conference on Stroke, organised by the South Tipperary Stroke
Communication Group, will take place at the Cashel Palace Hotel, Cashel, Co.
Tipperary, on Monday April 27th, commencing at 10:00am, with entry for viewing
of support stands at 9:30am. Speakers include Professor Ronán Collins, Clinical
Lead Irish National Stroke Programme, Dr. Patrick Nicholson, Consultant Neuro-
interventional Radiologist at Beacon Hospital, and a number of other speakers
including stroke survivors. Admission is free but is by registration on Eventbrite.

Please search for 2026 National Conference on Stroke, Cashel Palace Hotel

Important Message re N77 Kilkenny Road in Durrow

The N77 Kilkenny Road will be closed outside the Church
from **6pm to 7am** from 20th to 24th April

No through road.