

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 2ND MAY 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Sean Finn, The Conoboro 1st Anniversary and his parents Margaret & Martin. Sean & Johanna Curran, Ballycoolid Evelyn Holohan, London & Belmullet & Bridie Holohan, Clover Cottage.

SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2026

Errill 9.30am: The Delaney family, Errill Village, Br. Tom Gorman Mick & Bridie Keyes, Poundhill.

Rathdowney 1pm: First Holy Communion

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

No Mass on Tuesday this week.

Wed. & Thurs: Mass at 10am

Friday 10am: Bernadette & John Fields, Tallaght.

Recent Deaths: **John Barrett, Surrey London & Mooreville**
James Mahony, Boston, Cullohill

Anniversaries: Margaret O’Dea, Clonmeen
Kathleen Meagher & her son Trevor, Quigley Park

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 9TH MAY 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Billy Lupton, Coolkerry & deceased members of the Lupton & White families
Michael Dooley, Raheen, Donaghmore
Jim Kilcare, Ossory Terrace

SUNDAY 10TH MAY 2026

Errill 9.30am: Margaret & William Bentley, Mary Finane, Knockiel Road & deceased members of the Finane Family, Ballycoolid.
Liam Walsh, The Rectory

Collections

Weekend 25th / 26th April 2026

Loose Plate - € 322 Envelopes €1170

Adoration

Adoration in Rathdowney Church on Thursdays after 10am Mass and in Errill Church on Fridays from 10am until 12 Noon

Rosary available each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

Medjugorje Intentions

The Feast of Our Lady of Medjugorje occurs on June 25th. Masses for the intentions of those on the recent pilgrimage will be celebrated on 23rd / 24th / 25th & 26th of June.

St. Brigid's Camogie Club - Scrap Metal Collection

Please contact the following to arrange drop-off or collection if necessary, of all your scrap metal, including farm machinery, galvanised sheeting, gates, fencing wire, empty tanks, barrels, drums, lead, copper piping, cylinders, aluminium windows/doors, large household electrical equipment, taps, sinks, electrical cables, radiators, bicycles, sports equipment, ladders, shelving and other household scrap etc. Pat Delaney, 087-2774291 Ray Galbraith, 086-2569492 : John Tynan, 085-7445091: Kathleen Tynan, 087-6573378

Errill NS Parents' Association

Used clothing collection dates: Sunday 17th May, 9am-10.30am, drop off point at trailer in the Village. Clothes can also be dropped to St. Bernadette's Hall on Thurs 21st May from 6.30pm to 8pm & on Friday 22nd May from 8.30am to 9.30am.

Newsletter for the Parishes of

Durrow and Rathdowney

2nd / 3rd May 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Cemetery Masses 2026

Local Cemetery	Saturday 6th June	6.00pm
Durrow	Sunday 14th June	11.00am
Bealady	Saturday 20th June	6.00pm
Cullohill	Saturday 27th June	7.30pm
Errill	Sunday 19th July	9.30am
Kyleogue	Friday 24th July	7.30pm
Aughmacart	Wednesday 29th July	7.30pm

Congratulations

To the Children from St Tighearnach’s, Cullohill, Our Lady’s Meadow, Durrow, St Colmcille’s, Errill and Scoil Bhríde, Rathdowney who make their First Holy Communion this weekend.



Celebration of Liam Lawton’s Music

A concert of beloved songs performed by fellow artists will take place in St Mary’s Church, Edenderry on Sunday 24th May 2026 at 8 pm.

Tickets priced at €30 are available through the Edenderry Parish Website on www.edenderryparish.ie/liam-lawton-concert

Bealtaine at Rathdowney Library

invites people (aged 50 years and over) to participate in 2 events taking place in May.
Contact 0505 48652 or 087 2061998

Scrapbook-making Workshop - Wednesday, 6th May at 2:30pm.

Learn the art of making your own scrapbook to store your special memories and keepsakes with JBR Art Haus

Bosca Beo Workshop - Monday, 18th May at 7pm.

Bosca Beo is project designed to help people record, collect, cherish, and share their life memories with loved ones, & has been developed collaboratively by the Creative Ireland, Age Friendly, Library Services & Healthy Ireland teams in Laois & Longford County Councils. Inside the box there is space to safely store keepsakes, photographs, documents, and other important personal items. Michael Creagh will present a workshop on how to curate your own box of memories.

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 2ND MAY 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm: Sadie Delahunty, Aughmacart, Months Mind
Danny Phelan, Oldtown

SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2026

Durrow 11.00am: First Holy Communion

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Mon to Fri: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

Recent Death: James Mahony, Boston, Cullohill.

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SATURDAY 9TH MAY 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm Betty Kirby, Gurteen Months Mind
Martin Gibbons, Parknahown
Johnny McEvoy, Rapla

SUNDAY 10TH MAY 2026

Durrow 11.00am: John (Jack) Dollard, Durrow
Paul & Paula Conroy, Patrick Street
Michael Aylward Patrick Street

Collections

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Loose Plate - € 366 Envelopes €1,345

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.

We welcome into Durrow Parish Community

Éada Prior

who is being baptised this weekend.



Diocesan Nurse

The Diocese of Ossory requires a Nurse to provide an advocacy and support service to Priests in the Diocese of Ossory. The Diocese comprises of 42 parishes in Counties Kilkenny, Laois and Offaly. The post will be part-time, flexible and initially for a three-year period.

The ideal candidate must be:

- A registered General Nurse (ideally with Community experience).
- Self-motivated and have the ability to co-ordinate care planning in a community based environment.
- Possess excellent communication skills.
- Competency in time management.

Full clean driving licence and own transport are essential.

Please email your application to admin@ossory.ie or by post to The Diocesan Secretary, Diocesan Office, James’s St, Kilkenny, R95 NH60.

Closing date for applications is Friday, 29th May 2026.

Blood Donation Clinic

Castle Arms Hotel, Durrow

Tuesday 5th May 2026 15.45pm to 20.00pm

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