

Rathdowney Parish Newsletter
14th / 15th March 2020
Third Sunday of Lent
Parish Office: 0505-46282.
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Fr. Martin Delaney 086 2444594

Saturday 8.30pm

Kieran Cleary, Errill
Bridie Loughman, Cuan Bhride & Middlemount
Christine Cummins
Peg McGrath, Clonmeen

Sunday 11am

Michael Lalor, Clonmeen
Christina Hickey, Ossory Street
Frank Fogarty, Barrawinga

Masses During the Week will be held in the Church

Rathdowney

Tues. 11 am St Patrick's Day Paddy Lowry

Wed to Fri 9 am

Errill

No Mass

Masses Next Weekend

Saturday 8.30pm

Patrick & Maureen Bergin, Lismouragha

Sunday 11am

Joe Bolger, Months Mind
Thomas Byrne, Ballybuggy
Theresa Delaney, Coolkerry

Recent Deaths:

Harry Wynne, Kyleahaw; Mary Walsh, Durrrow;
Anthony McKelvey, Village View, Errill.

Anniversaries:

John Dowling, Clonmeen; Kathleen Delaney Harristown

Theme for Next Weekend's Mass Readings

Intelligence is like a light. When we use our intelligence, we are in the light. When we don't use our intelligence, we are in the dark. St Teresa of Calcutta said: "Let us make our society something beautiful for God. Let us be little flames, spreading the flame of love and concern."

Parish Collection

7th / 8th March 2020
€1561.80

Parish Office Opening Hours

Closed Monday & Tuesday

Wednesday 11 - 3 pm

Thursday - 11 - 5 pm

Friday - 9.30 - 2pm

GAA Lotto Results

Rathdowney

No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 2, 12, 17, 25. Winners of €15
Abe Kavanagh, Pat Dowling, Lucy Holohan, Mia Byrne, Sean Meehan, Amy Brennan, Louise Kirwan, Mary Whelan, Anne Callaghan, Claire Keane.
Next weeks jackpot €16,600.
Tickets can be purchased in all shops or from any local promoter.

Errill

Numbers drawn 1-2-17-30
No jackpot Winner
5 X €20
Ann Tormey, Errill
Helena Phelan,
Joe Brennan,
Grace Keane, Errill
Darren Farrell, Rathdowney
Next week's jackpot €12,650

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Will continue in Rathdowney Church on Thursday from 2 - 4 pm and in Errill Church on Friday from 10 am until 12 noon

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person

Mr Cathal Cullen—087 100 0232 / dlp@ossory.ie

Gardaí 1800 555 222

TUSLA – Laois/Offaly 090 648 3106

Parish Representatives - Helen Campion & John Casey

Information

Following the government's instruction on Thursday March 12th, 2020 limiting indoor gatherings to a maximum of 100 people, the Irish Bishops have dispensed with the obligation of all Catholic's to physically attend Sunday Mass. As a result of both of those instructions and conscious of how difficult it would be to restrict numbers in our churches, Fr Martin has decided to cancel public weekend Masses in Errill and Rathdowney until further notice. He will however, celebrate Mass in Rathdowney Church at 8.30 pm on Saturday evening and at 11 am on Sunday morning, which will be broadcast via the webcam and available at www.rathdowneyparish.ie. This enables parishioners to worship at the normal Mass times. A small number of Liturgical Ministers will be asked to be present and participate in these Masses.

Intentions booked for masses will be honoured.

Mass on St Patrick's Day will be broadcast from Rathdowney Church via the webcam at 11 am.

Weekday 9 am Masses will continue as normal in the Church and will also be available to view on the webcam.

Web savvy people are encouraged to assist their friends and neighbours to access our Masses.

In these difficult and uncertain times, people find strength, consolation and hope in prayer. Both of our churches will remain open for prayer each day.

Laois Sports Partnership

Rathdowney/Errill Activity Hub are delighted to announce we are now accepting applications from Sports Clubs/Organisations, Community Groups & Disability Groups for the allocation of Capital Funding received by the Hub to enhance participation. Up to €1000 can be allocated to clubs/organisations or groups to increase participation on successful grants.

Email or call Donna on sports@laoissports.ie or 0867962177 for application forms or any information needed. Closing date is FRIDAY 27th March at 1 pm.



We welcome into our Parish Community

Sinead & Michael Delahunty

Roisin Bowe

who are being baptised this week