

Rathdowney Parish Newsletter
28th / 29th November
First Sunday of Advent
Parish Office: 0505-46282.
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Sat. 8.30 pm: Kathleen Delaney, Ross 1st Anniversary
Noreen Conroy nee Finane formerly Mooreville

Sun. 11 am: Sean Champion, Johnstown Glebe 1st Anniv.
Paddy & Colette Kavanagh, The Square
Gary & Elizabeth Davy, Clonmeen

Tues 10 am: Deceased Members of the McGrath &
Delaney Families, Graigueavalla

Wed 10 am:

Thurs 10am: Joseph, Sarah & Sr Sheila Delaney, Clonburn

Friday 10 am: Martin McPherson

Rosary at 5.30 pm each day Monday to Friday

All Masses are streamed live on our Webcam

Recent Deaths:

Mary Fogarty, Knockiel

Kathleen Murphy (nee Hennessy) Inistioge & formerly
Galmoy

Anniversaries:

Denis Delaney, Camross

Masses Next Weekend

Sat. 8.30 pm: May & Bill Whelan, The Conoboro
Billy & John O'Brien, Donaghmore
Jack & Mary Maguire, Errill Village

Sun. 11 am: Catherine & Judy Kelly, Main Street
Jack Doran, Rapla
Jack Dowling, Granstown & deceased
members of the Dowling Family.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Rathdowney: Thursday 2 pm to 4 pm

Errill: Friday 10 am to 12 Noon

The ADVENT VIRUS

Be on the alert for symptoms of inner **Hope, Peace, Joy and Love**. The hearts of a great many have already been exposed to this virus and it is possible that people everywhere could come down with it in epidemic proportions. This could pose a serious threat to what has, up to now, been a fairly stable condition of conflict in the world.

Some signs and symptoms of **The Advent Virus are:**

- A tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than on fears based on past experiences.
- An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment.
- A loss of interest in judging other people.
- A loss of interest in interpreting the actions of others.
- A loss of interest in conflict.
- A loss of the ability to worry. (This is a very serious symptom.)
- Frequent, overwhelming episodes of appreciation.
- Contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature.
- Frequent attacks of smiling.
- An increasing tendency to let things happen rather than make them happen.

An increased susceptibility to the love extended by others as well as the uncontrollable urge to extend it.

Do not try to seek a cure or vaccine

Let it run its course

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person

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Parish Representatives - Helen Champion & John Casey

Parish Pastoral Council Members

Assumpta Casey; Helen Champion; Josephine
Champion; Fran Doyle; Maureen Guilfoyle;
Oliver Kennedy;
Mary Nolan; Mary O'Dea; Josephine Ryan;
Sr Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

Rathdowney GAA Lotto

There was no winner in this weeks jackpot which was €17,800. The numbers drawn were 8, 13, 15, 22. The 10 winners of €15 were Mary Hanlon, Antoinette Holohan, Marian Schuch, Jerry Ryan, Michael Bowe, May Stanley, Willie Byrne, Martin Peters, Ellie Millar, Colm & Allison.
Next weeks jackpot will be €17,950.

Tickets can be purchased in all shops or from any local promoter.

Our Concerts Are Back!!!

This weekend we start a new programme of concerts for Advent and Christmas

You can join

Fr Bobby Fletcher and Friends

on Sunday 29th of November at 8 pm

On the webcam

www.rathdowneyparish.ie/webcam

Joining us next Sunday, Dec 6th are The Scott Family
This series of concerts will continue each Sunday until Christmas and will feature some of those who entertained us so well earlier in the year.

Evening Reflection for Advent

This Friday evening at 7.30 pm we begin a series of Prayer and Reflection from the Church

Available on the Webcam

Fr Martin Delaney will lead us this week