

Rathdowney Parish Newsletter
12th / 13th December 2020
Third Sunday of Advent
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Fr. Martin Delaney 086 2444594
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Sat. 8.30 pm: Linda O'Brien, Middlesex, Months Mind
Charlie Champion, Lisduff

Delia, Pat & Kieran Phelan, The Glebe, Donaghmore

Sun. 11 am: Dierdre Giltrap, The Square
& Deceased members of the O'Gorman & Giltrap Families.
Mary & Donal Guilfoyle, Knockiel
Lil & Eddie Bergin, Daly Terrace.

Tues to Friday: Mass at 10 am

Anniversaries:

Jack Lupton, Crosspatrick

Donal, Grace & Austin O'Malley & deceased members of
the O'Malley family.

Thomas Loughman, Castlefleming

Michael Maher, Johnstown Glebe & his parents Michael and
Anne Maher.

Robert & Mai McGrath, Clonmeen & deceased members of
the McGrath Family.

Masses Next Weekend

Sat. 8.30 pm: Mary & Pat Keane, Castlefleming
John O'Shea, Templequain
Michael Champion, Lisduff & his parents
Michael & Johanna.

Sun. 11 am: Teresa Kelly, Months Mind
Joe & Kathleen Bergin, Ballybuggy
John (Jack) Carroll, Donaghmore

Rosary at 5.30 pm each day Monday to Friday

Available on the Webcam

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Rathdowney: Thursday 2 pm to 4 pm
Errill: Friday 10 am to 12 Noon

St Vincent De Paul Rathdowney Annual Appeal

In what has been a very difficult year for everyone, charities have
been particularly badly hit, as their main avenue of fundraising
(church gate collection) has not been possible.

This is certainly the case here in Rathdowney. Many families face
impossible choices this Christmas and St. Vincent De Paul helps to
ease some of the financial burdens which the season inevitably
brings. You can help us in this valuable work by making a donation
of whatever you can to the St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal
here in our local community.

To donate, there are a number of ways:

1. Click the Donate link on the Rathdowney Parish website
<https://donate.rathdowneyparish.ie/>
On the Donate section you can contribute by choosing the St.
Vincent De Paul option.
2. Using an ordinary envelope, place your donation inside and
send to Parish Office, Parochial House, Rathdowney Co.
Laois. Please state clearly that it is for SVP.
3. Blue St. Vincent De Paul envelopes are being distributed by
An Post over the coming days to households in the area. They
are also being included in newspapers throughout the week.
These can be dropped into the parish office. (beside Scoil
Bhríde Primary School)

We genuinely appreciate your help, and anything that you give. By
choosing one of the options above, your donation will be used
locally in the Rathdowney area to help families and people at a time
of need.

Mass Reservations

**Mass Reservation line for weekend masses is open to all
from 10 am to 12 Noon**

We are also taking reservations for Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve
and 9.30 am Mass on Christmas Day

085 142 9343

Reservation is not necessary for the 8 am Mass at The Shrine and
'Drive In' Mass at Rathdowney Outlet Centre

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 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 week's jackpot which was
€18,100. The numbers drawn were 11, 19, 25, 27. The 10
winners of €15 were Megan Delaney, Andy Cassin, P.
Peters, Gerry Ryan, Abe Kavanagh, Rory Cahill, Breda
Loughlin, Patrick Delaney, Ray Kelly, Helen Fortune.
Next week's jackpot will be €18,250. Tickets can be
purchased in all shops or from any local promoter

Our Concerts Are Back!!!

This weekend the programme of concerts for
Advent and Christmas continues

You can join

Billy & Erin Dollard with the Vltava Quartet
on Sunday at 8 pm

On the webcam

www.rathdowneyparish.ie/webcam

Joining us next Sunday, Dec 20th are
Margaret Murphy, Anne Marie Delaney & Friends

Evening of Reflection for Advent

This Friday (18th December) Noeline Delahunty will lead
us in Reflection for Advent at 7.30 pm

Available on the Webcam

People are welcome to attend in the church also