

Rathdowney Parish Newsletter
9th / 10th January 2021
The Baptism of the Lord
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Fr. Martin Delaney 086 2444594
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Sat. 9th Jan. 8.30 pm: Peggy Smeaton, Church Street
Elizabeth Fields, Dublin
Billy Finane, Ballybuggy
Sun. 10th Jan. 11 am: Anne Marie, Robert & Loretta Ryan
Mary Hetherington, Harristown
Gillian Kelly, Knockfin

Tuesday & Wednesday: Mass at 10 am

Thursday 10 am: Seamus Walsh, Bealady

Friday 10 am: Winifred Cleary, Errill & Lizzie Cleary Cuan Bhride

Recent Deaths:

Kathleen Ryan, Gloscha Road

Jerry Dowling, Knockardgannon

Terry Morris, Borohan

Anniversaries:

Annie Jackson, Roscomroe

Breda Mullins, Beaugh, Roscrea

Michael (Mixie) Daly Gloscha Road

Andy Dowling and Margaret Keyes of Clonmeen Cross,
Errill.

Masses Next Weekend

Sat. 8.30 pm: Eileen Kennedy, Months Mind

Sun. 11 am: Michael Whelan, 1st Anniversary

**& all deceased members of the Whelan and
Bergin Families.**

Jimmy Hayes, Newtownperry

& Deceased members of the Hayes Family.

Rosary will continue each evening
Monday to Friday at 5.30 pm available on the Webcam
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues in
Rathdowney on Thursday from 2 to 4 pm

Bishop Farrell is appointed Archbishop of Dublin

Bishop Dermot Farrell has been appointed Archbishop of Dublin by Pope Francis. He will take over the pastoral guidance of the Archdiocese on the 2nd February, the Feast of the Presentation. He continues in the capacity of the Administrator of the Diocese of Ossory.

Bishop Farrell was appointed Bishop of Ossory on the 3rd January 2018. A native of Castletown-Geoghegan he worked in his native diocese of Meath as curate in Mullingar and Tullamore before moving to Maynooth in 1990. He was President of Maynooth from 1996 until 2007 when he was appointed Parish Priest of Dunboyne. Following the announcement of his appointment to Ossory in 2018 he was ordained bishop on 11 March. He chose as his episcopal motto "*Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini*" from Psalm 124: – "Our help is in the name of the Lord".

In informing the priests of the diocese of his appointment Bishop Farrell wrote: "I did not seek out this new pastoral assignment, but allowed myself to be called, and accompanied". He continued: "For the last three years I have been Bishop of Ossory, and I have been exceedingly happy and fulfilled among you and among our people. I came as a 'stranger' among you, and I remember the warmth of your welcome and that of the people. The anxieties I had about moving from Meath quickly melted away...I thank you and through you I thank the people. In consequence, I will leave a part of my heart in Ossory whose pastoral care was entrusted to me".

At the announcement ceremony in Dublin in the Church of our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott St, the Archbishop-Elect again spoke of his happiness and fulfilment in his three years in Ossory and continued "As you will understand I have a certain sadness in leaving Ossory, its priests and people".

Welcoming the new Archbishop, the Primate of All Ireland, Dr Eamonn Martin, saluted Bishop Farrell as a hardworking and personable colleague with many skills and qualities to bring to his new ministry as Archbishop of Dublin.

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person

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Parish Representatives - Helen Campion & John Casey

Parish Pastoral Council Members

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

Our Videos

All our videos from throughout the year - Concerts, Cemetery Masses, A Time to Remember etc are available to view at any time on the 'Video' tab at the top of the website home screen

We particularly draw your attention to 'A Time to Remember' which commemorates all those who died during the year.

Log in to
www.rathdowneyparish.ie
and click on the Video Tab

**As you are aware, under the current restrictions
attendance at Mass is not allowed.**

**All our services will continue to be streamed online via
the webcam www.rathdowneyparish.ie/webcam**

**Both Churches will be open each day for private prayer
and you are reminded to follow the signs re safe entry
and exit.**

Parish Office

Due to current level 5 restrictions the Parish Office will be closed to the Public until the end of January
For enquiries, Mass Cards, Bookings etc please phone
085 1429 343 between 10 am and 12 Noon or
0505 46282 outside of these hours.