Rathdowney Parish Newsletter 20th / 21st March 2021 5th Sunday in Lent Parish Office: 0505-46282. Email: rathdowney@ossory.ie Fr. Martin Delaney 086 2444594 Sr. Anita O'Leary 087 4301072

Sat. 7.30 pm: Anthony McKelvey, Village View
Tommy & Marcella Byrne & deceased
members of the Webster Family.

Deceased members of the Delaney Family, Feereigh.

Sun. 11 am: Cathleen (Catherine) Walsh, Months Mind

Mary Whelan, Ballyedmond 1st Anniversary

Christina Hickey, Ossory St & deceased

members of the Hickey & Whelan Families.

Monday 10 am: No Mass

<u>Tuesday 10 am:</u> Bridie Keyes, Pounds Hill, Errill <u>Wednesday 10 am:</u> Martin Quinn & Kathy Quinn Ballinderry, Co Derry,

Thursday 10 am: Mary, John & Bridget Holohan,
Middlemount

Friday 10 am:

**Recent Deaths:** 

Hannah Finane, Mooreville

**Anniversaries:** 

Peter Lupton, Crosspatrick;

Bill Ryan, Church St & deceased members of his family

Christine Cummins, Castlegrogan

The Whelan Family, Raheen Lower, Donaghmore

Masses Next Weekend

Sat. 7.30 pm: Mary Edwards (nee Keane) Castlefleming

PJ Costigan, Coolkerry

Kieran O'Dea, Level Meadows, Clonmeen

Sun. 11 am: Palm Sunday

Kathleen Carroll, Kilbreedy
Angela Tighe, Kylemelawn
Jack & Mary Gleeson, Knockardgannon



## Palm Sunday - 28th March 2021

Normally we would bless Palm Branches at Mass and people take them home and place them over a picture or a cross as a blessing of protection for their family, home or farm during the year. This year once again I suggest that before Sunday, pick a branch, any green branch, while you are out on your walk or just from your back garden and on Saturday night or Sunday morning put the branch on your front door or front entrance to celebrate Palm Sunday. Despite the Social Distancing we can be connected in faith during this holiest time of year. At Mass on Saturday night (7.30 pm) and on Sunday morning (11am) I will be blessing all those branches wherever they are located. If possible and appropriate drop a green branch at the door of a neighbour or someone who may not be in a position to go out. Call or text them to let them know what you have done and why!

## Penitential Service

As part of our Holy Week Ceremonies there will be a Penitential Service available on the webcam at 7.30 pm on Monday March 29th.

## Mass of Chrism

The Annual Mass of Chrism will take place in St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny on Wednesday 31st of March at 7.30 pm and will be available on the St Mary's Webcam www.stmaryscathedral.ie/web-cam

### **SAFEGUARDING**

Designated Liaison Person Mr Cathal Cullen—087 100 0232 / <u>dlp@ossory.ie</u> Gardaí 1800 555 222 TUSLA – Laois/Offaly 090 648 3106

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

### Lent 2021

Rosary will continue each evening
Monday to Thursday at 5.30 pm available on the
Webcam. During the Lenten Season, Stations of
the Cross will be prayed on Fridays at 7pm.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues in
Rathdowney on Thursday from 2 to 4 pm
And in Errill on Friday from 10 am to 12 Noon.

# Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results

No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 7, 12, 19, 23. 10 winners of €15: Mary Ann Fitzpatrick, Tom Galvin, Katie Smeaton, Georgina Galvin, Saoirse & Patrice, Patrice & Saoirse. Michael White, Margaret Kinahan, Jim Fitzpatrick, Arthur & Marie Flanagan. Next week's jackpot €2,450.

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

# **St.** Brigid's Clothes Collection

Every Saturday from 5 – 6pm until April 24<sup>th</sup> at Joe Egan's Garage, Rathdowney (beside hurling field).

Drop & Go system. Please adhere to Covid Guidelines.

We are looking for: Men's, Ladies & Children's
Clothes, Paired Shoes, Hats, Bags, Soft Toys, Belts,
Scarves & Ties, Bedding (Bedsheets, pillow cases & duvet covers).