Rathdowney Parish Newsletter

22nd / 23rd January 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish Office

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Sat. 8.30 pm Rathdowney:

Patrick Madden, Turfarney John & Catherine Dalton, Clonmeen Rory Hanlon. The Glebe & the Conoboro

Sun. 10.30 am Rathdowney:

Niamh Hickey, Ossory Terrace Jimmy Hayes & deceased members of the Haves Family, Clonmeen Michael & Mary Fitzgerald,

Michael Fitzgerald Jnr & Teresa Fitzgerald, Church Street

Rathdownev:

Mon No Mass

Tues to Thurs: Mass at 10 am

Friday 10am: Robert & Teresa Rowland, Roscrea &

Christopher & Nora O'Meara, Shinrone

Errill: Wed. 7.30 pm: Masses Next Weekend

12 Noon Errill: Mick Ryan, Lyrogue Months Mind

Sat 8.30 pm: Rathdowney:

Lil Kelly, Churchquarter, Errill 1st Anniversary Breda McGrath, Lismorougha 1st Anniversary

Margaret White, Ballagh 40th Anniversary

Sun. 10. 30 am Rathdowney:

Nora Browne, Daly Terrace 1st Anniversary Colin Morgan & Family, England

Anniversaries at this time:

Rodney Henderson, England. Edward Butler; Graigueavalla; Kieran Flynn & deceased members of the Flynn Family. Margaret Keyes, Andy Dowling and the deceased members of the Dowling family Clonmeen; Ann Bourke, Clonmeen; Winifred Cleary, Errill & Lizzie Cleary, Cuan Bhride; Charlie Doherty, Knockiel.

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person Kathleen Sherry -085 8021633 safeguarding@ossory.ie Gardaí 1800 555 222

TUSLA - Laois/Offaly 090 648 3106

Parish Representatives Helen Campion & John Casey

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Towards Healing confidential and free counselling service, Ph. 1800 303 416. They provide face to face counselling, structured phone counselling, family counselling and a counselling helpline for people who have experienced institutional, clerical or religious abuse in Ireland.

Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results

No jackpot winner Numbers drawn 15, 16, 24, 25. 10 winners of €15: Liam & Joan Hayes, Saoirse & Boys, Noreen Whelan, Catherine Fitzpatrick, Saoirse & Boys, Saoirse Stenson, Ben Galvin, Carol Hogan, Owen Fitzpatrick, Angela Dollard. Next week's jackpot will be €8,900. Tickets can be purchased in all shops or from any local promoter.

Errill GAA Lotto Results

Numbers drawn: 3, 7, 22, 25 No Jackpot Winner Match 3: Ann Tormey Next Draw 24th January Jackpot €6,200.

Adoration

Adoration in Rathdowney on Thursday from 2 to 4 pm And in Errill on Friday from 10am to 12 Noon Rosary continues each evening at 5.30 pm

Mass Times

We will return to Errill for Saturday evening Mass from Saturday 5th February

Recent Death:

Frank White, Portlaoise & formerly Ossory Terrace

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

Collections Weekend 15th & 16th January 2022 Weekly Envelopes €706

St Colmcille's N.S. Errill - Enrolment 2022/2023

Enrolment of pupils for the next school year 2022/2023 is now open. Enrolment forms can be requested by email: errillns@gmail.com. Closing date for receipt of completed enrolment forms Tuesday 1st February 2022

A word in your ear....

This week I saw my first snowdrops peep above the ground and I felt the Winter is perhaps behind us and Spring is on the way. I was reminded of that line from the Song of Songs book in the Bible: 'For see the winter is past, the rains are over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth. The season of glad songs has come, the cooing of the turtledove is heard in our land.

Beyond the level of seasons and weather I'm allowing myself to believe for the first time in almost two years that quite possibly the 'winter' of Covid 19 may also be finally coming to an end, brighter days lie ahead and the season of glad songs has come.

I know there may still be a few nasty covid related surprises lying in store for us and we will have to remain cautious and careful, but, I believe there are real grounds for HOPE and we need that virtue like never before. So let the glass be half full, lets plan ahead for reconnecting with loved ones. Let 2022 be the year when we can again create some really good memories.

Fr. Martin

Have a great week,



We welcome into our Parish Community **Hannah Anne Crampton** who is being baptised this weekend

