

**Masses this Weekend**

**Sat. 9.00 pm Rathdowney:**

Peter Bateson, Mooreville Months Mind

**Sun. 6.30 am Bealady:**

Billy & Georgina Keyes Borohan & Cuan Bhríde  
Pauline Mc Govern, The Conoboro  
Paddy Campion, Levalley

**Masses During the Week**

**Rathdowney**

**Tues, Wed and Friday: Mass at 10am:**

**No Mass on Thursday**

**No Evening Mass in Errill on Wednesday**

**Masses Next Weekend**

**Sat 8.30pm Errill:**

Betty Keane, Monamondra & her husband Tim.  
Catherine & Mick Dowling, Monamondra

**Sun. 6.30 am Bealady Cemetery: Dawn Mass of Easter**

Pauline McGovern, The Conoboro  
Billy & Georgina Keyes, Cuan Bhríde  
Paddy Campion, Levalley

**Recent Death:**

Patsy Scott, Knockfin.

Margaret Scott (nee Butler) Borris in Ossory & formerly Errill.

Bridie Leahy, Loughrea.

**Anniversaries at this time:**

Vincent Cleere, Harristown; Thomas Ryan, Kilcommon;  
Tom White, Coolkerry; Maisie Fogarty, Rathmanna;  
Charlie O'Reilly, Church St; Ellen Campion, Ballybuggy;  
Betty Ryan (nee Flanagan), Clonburren & Ballybooden;  
Richard Konopka, Poland; Sarah Bulfin.

**Adoration**

No Adoration this week in Rathdowney or Errill  
Adoration will resume on Thursday 28th April in Rathdowney  
and Friday 29th April in Errill

**Collections Weekend 9th/10th April 2022**

Weekly Envelopes €1672.20  
Offertory €300

**Rathdowney Parish Newsletter**

16th / 17th April 2022

Easter Sunday

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**Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results**

No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn: 12, 13, 21, 25.

10 winners of €15: PJ Rafter, Frank White, Alan

Delaney, Bridie Dowling, Tiernan & Kai Delaney,

Mary Fitzpatrick, Mary Anne Fitzpatrick, Lisa Cathal

O'Neill, Oisín Moore, Noreen Breslin.

Next week's jackpot €10,700.

**Errill GAA Lotto Results**

Numbers drawn: 4, 5, 10, 27

No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3– John Keane, Errill; Saoirse Callaghan,

Rathdowney, Una Hayes, Errill

Next week's Jackpot €8,000.

**A Spirituality of our Times**

This Conference will be on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Venue: St. Patricks Parish Centre, Loughboy, Kilkenny

The speaker: Jane Mellett

Times: 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Cost: €10 (bring your own lunch, tea/coffee provided)  
pay on the door

Booking essential: Contact Sara or Catherina @ 056

7722870 9.00 am – 5.00 pm or

email [sara.bulfin@ssjg.ie](mailto:sara.bulfin@ssjg.ie) before May 6<sup>th</sup>

**5k and 3k walk/run in aid of Crumlin Hospital**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of April, registration 11.30 in Marian Center  
Rathdowney. Those taking part are asked to donate €10 with  
under 16's free. Refreshments after.

Contact Trish or James Meagher 0879741420/ 0877548664.

**An Easter Word in your ear...**

At the heart of the Easter story is a most extraordinary idea  
The incomprehensible notion,- that someone dies but comes to  
new life. This claim has then led to a belief that there is the  
possibility of new life for everyone beyond the grave. Some  
years ago a friend shared the following little piece with me. It  
is a conversation between two unborn twins in their mother's  
womb. It goes something like this.....

"Tell me, do you believe in life after birth?" asks one of the  
twins. "Yes, definitely! In here we are growing and gaining  
strength for what will face us on the outside," answers the  
other. "That is utter nonsense!" says the first one. "There  
cannot be life after birth; how is that supposed to look, may I  
ask?" "I don't exactly know myself, but it will certainly be  
much lighter out there than in here. And perhaps we will  
actually be running around on our legs and eating with our  
mouths." "I have never heard such nonsense! Eating with  
your mouth, what a crazy idea! That's what we have umbilical  
cords for, to feed us. And you want to run around? It would  
never work; the umbilical cord is much too short!" "It will  
work for sure. It will all be a little different." "You are crazy!  
Nobody has ever come back from after birth! Life ends with  
our birth and that's it! Period." "I must admit that nobody  
knows what life will look like after our birth. But I know that  
we will get to see our mother and that she will take care of  
us." "Mother? You are trying to tell me that you believe in a  
mother? Well, where then is our mother?" "Well, here! All  
around us. We are alive in her and through her. Without her  
we could not exist!" "Rubbish! I have never noticed anything  
of a mother. Therefore, a mother cannot exist." It's true!  
Sometimes when you are really quiet, you can hear her sing or  
you can feel when she lovingly caresses our world!"

Happy Easter

Fr. Martin