MASSES THIS WEEKEND

12 Noon Rathdowney: Richard Cahill Months Mind 8.30pm Errill:

Peter Delaney, Clonmeen Paddy Kelly, Ballycoolid Charlie Campion, Lisduff Sun. 10.30 am Rathdowney:

Deirdre Giltrap, The Square Sally Kennedy, Mooreville 1st Anniversary & her daughter Eileen 2nd Anniversary. Delia, Pat & Kyran Phelan, Glebe House, Donaghmore

> MASSES DURING THE WEEK RATHDOWNEY

Monday:

No Mass Lil & Eddie Bergin, Daly Terrace Tues 10 am: Jim Robinson, Ballagh Wed 10 am: Thurs & Friday Mass at 10 am

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat 8.30pm Errill:

Maisie Gorman. Errill Mary & Pat Keane, Castlefleming John O'Shea, Templequain

Sun. 10.30 am Rathdowney: Joe & Kathleen Bergin, Ballybuggy Lily Murray, Daly Terrace Jack Carroll, Castletown, Donaghmore.

Anniversaries at this time:

James & Annie Bowe, Rathdowney; Vickie & Mollie Cahill. Ann Howard, Pound Street Joseph Kennedy, Ballybrophy Paddy & Julia Mahon, Harristown Johanna Campion, Clonmeen



Collections Weekend 3rd/4th December 2022 Weekly Envelopes €1819.30 Offertory €351.70

Adoration

Adoration in Rathdowney on Thursday from 2 to 4 pm Adoration in Errill on Friday from 10am to 12 Noon Rosary will continue each evening Monday to Friday at 5.30 pm available on the Webcam

Rathdowney Parish Newsletter 10rd/11th December 2022 Third Sunday of Advent Parish Office Darina Ní Cholmáin / Maureen Guilfoyle Contact: 0505-46282. www.rathdowneyparish.ie Email: rathdowney@ossory.ie Fr. Martin Delaney 086 2444594 - Sr. Anita O'Leary 087 4301072

St Vincent de Paul

Rathdowney branch will hold their annual Christmas collection Saturday and Sunday 10th/11th December at the church gates. Please give generously as there is an ongoing need for support. Should you know of any family needing support, please inform any of the committee. All information will be treated confidentially.

Fr. Tom McGree to retire

During the week I received a letter from Bishop Nulty telling me that Fr. Tom McGree CC Cullohill will be retiring fully from active ministry effective the 1st of January 2023. Outside of Kilkenny city, Durrow and Cullohill was the only parish in the diocese that continued to have a Curate or Assistant priest. This development means that I am now the only priest assigned to Durrow, Cullohill, Rathdowney and Errill. Early in the New Year I will be asking the Pastoral Councils from both parishes to come together again to discuss the new situation and plan how together, we can continue to provide the most effective ministry and service in both communities.

Fr. Martin

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: Family Mass at 6.30 pm in Rathdowney Midnight Mass at 9.00 pm in Errill

Christmas Day: Mass at 10.30 am in Rathdowney

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr Martin will be in Rathdowney Church on Friday 23rd December between 2 and 4 pm if anyone wishes to celebrate the Sacrament in preparation for Christmas.

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 Contact: 0505-46282

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

Carol Service

Sr Anita, together with the Parish Choir will present an evening of Prayer and Songs for Christmas, on Friday 16th December at 7.30 pm in Rathdowney Church. All are welcome to come along and join in the prayers and music.

Epilepsy Ireland

Epilepsy Ireland would like to thank everyone who contributed to our annual church gate collection last weekend. A total of €330 was donated by the people of the parish. This will be a great help to us and will enable us to continue the various projects what we have planned.

Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results

No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn: 8, 12, 26, 27. 10 winners of €15: Grainne Aylward, Tony Cantwell, Marie Sinnott Whelan, Padraig Rafter, Claire Fitzpatrick, Teresa Barry, Jer Campion, Noel Hickey, Eimear Moynan, Mgt Hickey. Next week's jackpot will be €3,050.

Errill GAA Lotto Results

No Jackpot Winner. Numbers drawn: 15 - 19 - 23 - 25 Match 3: P & D Cleary, Errill & Maura Loughnane, Clonmeen Next Week's Jackpot €13,200.

> **PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS** Monday-Closed Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30 to 2pm Friday 9.30 to 1 pm