

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY

Rathdownney 6 pm
Niamh Hickey, Ossory Terrace
Nora Browne, Daly Terrace
Colm Morgan & deceased members of the family, England

SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY

Errill 10am
Michael & Mary Fitzgerald, Church St, their daughter Teresa & son Michael Jnr
Jack Tynan, Kyleahaw

MASSES DURING THE WEEK — IN RATHDOWNNEY

Monday No Mass
Tuesday & Wednesday Mass at 10 am
Thursday St Brigid's Day Mass at 10 am
Friday 10am Ber White, Quigley Park

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY

Rathdownney 6 pm
Mary Browne, Moore St
Tim Davin, Eglish, Kay Butler & deceased members of the Davin & Butler Families.
Billy Carthy, Moore St

SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY

Errill 10am
Paddy & Lil Kelly. Churchquarter, Errill
Joe Grogan, School Rd, Errill & deceased members of the Grogan family
Thomas Cahill, School Rd, Errill.

Recent Deaths:
John Henderson, Wexford & formerly Coolkerry

Anniversaries
Patrick Keane, Castlefleming; Mary Quigley, Johnstown Glebe;
Ger Ryan, Rathsaran; Breda McGrath, Lismorougha;
Robert & Teresa Rowland, Roscrea
Christopher & Nora O'Meara, Shinrone; Billy & Mick Delaney, Errill.

Collections Weekend 20th / 21st January 2024
Weekly Envelopes € 2,780 Loose Plate: € 213.50

Adoration
Adoration in Rathdownney on Thursday after Mass until 12 noon
Adoration in Errill on Friday from 10am until 12 Noon.

Rosary will continue each evening - Monday to Friday on the Webcam

A meeting of the Rathdowney Finance Committee will take place on Tuesday 30th of January.

St Brigid's camogie club's 25th anniversary is on 1st February. The club are holding a walk on Sunday 4th February starting in the Square, Rathdowney. Registration from 11.30, walk starting at 12. €10/person €20 per family

I mentioned a while ago that I would like to re-establish the group which offered catering in the Marian Centre in Rathdowney to families after a funeral. Pre Covid this was a popular option for many families. Trish Meagher has kindly agreed to Co-ordinate this group and I'm asking for a small number of volunteers to join her. If you feel you can give your time to this valuable service, please contact the Parish Office in Rathdowney or call Trish directly on 087974 1420

Fr. Martin

**Newsletter for the Parishes of
Durrow and Rathdowney
27th / 28th January 2024
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

<u>Pastoral Council Members</u>	
Durrow	Rathdowney
Martin Lawlor; Mary Lawlor; James Walsh; Carmel Ruane; Mary Ryan; Vicky Murphy; Margaret Murphy; Seamus Clancy; Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney	Assumpta Casey; Helen Campion; Tony Holohan; Fran Doyle; Maureen Guilfoyle; Oliver Kennedy; Mary Nolan; Mary O'Dea; Tadhg Keane; Sr Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

Cullohill Community Centre will hold an **auktion** this Sunday, 28th January, at 1.30pm. All support is greatly appreciated as the committee work towards clearing their debt after recent development works

This Sunday, January 28th, Castletown Parish will host an Ecumenical Service of Prayer for Christian Unity in St. Edmund's Catholic Church, Castletown, Co. Laois at 3pm as part of Christian Unity Week.

Representatives from the different Christian denominations will take part. All are welcome as we gather to pray and reflect with our Christian brothers and sisters. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the De La Salle Centre.

A meeting of the Durrow and Rathdowney Parish Pastoral Councils will take place on Monday next, January 29th at 7.30pm in Cuan Bhríde, Day Centre. If you have any issues that you might wish to bring to their attention please contact any member as listed above.

What is Safeguarding Sunday?

Safeguarding Sunday is a time for the Diocese of Ossory to remind our parish communities and wider society that protecting children and vulnerable people is at the heart of the Christian message. It is an opportunity for all parishes to pray as one and to acknowledge the dedication of Church personnel and volunteers who serve in the ministry of Safeguarding across the 42 parishes in our diocese. In our parish, we value and encourage the participation of children and young people in all parish activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional and social development. We recognise the dignity and rights of all children and are committed to ensuring their protection and support.

The Safeguarding Representatives in our parishes are:
 Rathdowney: John Casey & Helen Campion and Durrow: Michael Killeen &
 Sarah Brophy
 If you, or anyone you know, has a Safeguarding concern please contact:
Diocesan Director of Safeguarding and Designated Liaison Person,
DLP, Ailish Higgins at 087 8021633
TUSLA: Kilkenny 052 6177302; Laois/Offaly 044 9353997; Waterford 053
 9198201

An Garda Síochána: 1800 555 222 or your local Garda Station
Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313416 www.towardshealing.ie
Towards Peace Helpline: 01 5053028 www.towardspeace.ie

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Durrow 7.30 pm: Eileen Sheppard, St Fintans Terrace

SUNDAY 28th JANUARY

Durrow 11.15 am: Harold Lawlor, Months Mind
Mikey Dunne, Dunmore

Durrow Monday-Friday 8.50am
Durrow Saturday 11.00 am

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Sheila Lawlor
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Kevin McGeough, Dublin

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Durrow Community Services CE Project

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Environmental Worker in Durrow, Cullohill & Ballacolla; Groundskeeper in
Durrow; Office Administrator in Durrow.

As per the Department of Social Protection requirements, the positions are
19.5 hours per week and you must be on a Social Welfare payment for
minimum of 12 months to apply.

Please contact Astrid Andersson on 057 8736870 or andersson@durrowcs.com
for further information

Durrow St Vincent DePaul

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present "Separate Beds" by Sam Cree. Comedy in Three Acts in Coon Hall (Eir-Code R93 EC89) on 2nd to 4th February, 2024 and on 10th and 11th February, 2024 at 8.00 pm nightly. Admission €10.

Club meetings continue on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in the Castle Arms Hotel.
All are most welcome.

Classes will commence shortly on Tuesdays/ Thursday from 7 to 9 pm and Wednesday Morning from 11am to 1 pm. Classes will be of small numbers.
Contact Frances Duggan, Grantstown on 086 3068372

Preparing for Marriage? Weekend residential courses available. 26-28 April and 20-22 September 2024. Details: www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org