

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH**

**SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY**

**Rathdowney 6 pm: Communion Preparation Mass**

Teresa Cahill, Mooreville

Bernard Mullin, Enfield, London & Hollis Flaherty

**SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY**

**Errill 10am**

Kathleen Hassett, Lisduff Months Mind

James Bergin, Knockiel

Dan & Elizabeth Campion, Clonmeen

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK—IN RATHDOWNEY**

**Monday** No Mass

**Tuesday 10am**

**Wednesday 10am :** Ash Wednesday Joe Bolger, Slieve Bloom Heights

**Thursday 10am:** Joseph C & Lillian Ryan and their son Thomas

**Friday 10am:**

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 17TH FEBRUARY**

**Rathdowney 6 pm:**

Liam Cummins, Knockiel, Months Mind

Seamus Carroll, Kilbreedy

Michael Finane, Mooreville

Tess Delaney & Deceased members of the Delaney & Campion families, Coolkerry

**SUNDAY 18TH FEBRUARY**

**Errill 10am:**

Nellie Ryan, Lyrogue

Joan Holohan, Harristown

Martin & Kathleen Morrissey, formerly Errill

**Recent Deaths:** Chrissie Delaney (nee Gilmartin), Manchester, formerly Rathdowney  
Alison Keane, Birmingham & Grantstown  
Peter Fahey, Borrisoleigh

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Loughman, Knockiel  
Ann O'Keeffe (nee McGrath), Clonmel  
Val Williams, Rossmore  
Ann Ford, Daly Terrace

**Collections Weekend 3rd / 4th February 2024**

Weekly Envelopes € 1092 Loose Plate: €264

**Adoration**

Adoration in Rathdowney 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  
at 5.30 on the Webcam

**Rathdowney Active Retirement**

We will met on Tuesday 13th February at 2.30pm  
at the Social Day Care Centre, Cuan Bhride

**Social Dance Classes**

To include Waltz, Foxtrot and Quickstep will resume on Wednesday 14th  
February at 8pm in the Marian Centre, Rathdowney.  
Contact 087-92 49 633 for more details

**Newsletter for the Parishes of**

**Durrow and Rathdowney**

**10th / 11th February 2024 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Pastoral Council Members**

**Durrow**

Martin Lawlor; Mary Lawlor;  
James Walsh; Carmel Ruane;  
Mary Ryan; Vicky Murphy;  
Margaret Murphy; Seamus Clancy;  
Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

**Rathdowney**

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

**SAFEGUARDING**

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**Parish Representatives**

**Rathdowney** - John Casey & Helen Campion  
**Durrow** - Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

**Repairs to Heating System in Rathdowney Church**

As you will be aware, there was a major breakdown of the Heating System in Rathdowney Church on Christmas Eve last. The sanctuary area was completely flooded on Christmas morning. The cause of the problem was the corrosion of the underground pipe system between the boiler house and the church itself. This is a problem which was probably a few years in the making and as the Insurance Company concluded it was due to 'wear and tear' they are not prepared to cover the cost which will be in the region of **€22,000**. If we pay for this from our current resources, it will leave the account pretty much empty for all the other day to day expenses.

The Parish Finance Committee met last week to discuss the matter and the conclusion was that we should have a once off envelope collection to pay for the Heating Repairs. We have already received a number of donations including one for €500 and another for €300.

This is not an appeal I like having to make, but the Parish Finance committee feels it is the best approach at this time. Thanks to some generous legacies which were left to the parish more than fifty years ago most of the capital projects in both Errill and Rathdowney churches in recent generations have been financed without needing to undertake any particular fundraising campaigns.

This once off Envelope Collection will take place next weekend 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> February and we ask that you take home the special envelope provided in the churches this weekend. We hope that business's as well as individual parishioners and families will contribute to this appeal. Envelopes are also available in the Parish Office or alternatively you can chose to donate through the parish website. Where possible please include your name or parish envelope number, however you make your donation. This will allow us to credit you for it and then we can receive the 30% charity tax back on your donation. Thank you for your ongoing support of the parish.

*Fr. Martin*

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH**

**SATURDAY 10th February**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:** Judy Brophy, Months Mind

Kieran McNeill

**Durrow 7.30 pm:** Ned Dunphy, St Fintans Terrace

**SUNDAY 11th February**

**Durrow 11.15 am: Communion Preparation Mass**

Tommy Leahy, Cork Road

Pake Walsh, Ballykealy

Margaret Dunne, Watercastle

**Durrow**

**Monday& Tuesday: 8.50am**

**Wednesday: Ash Wednesday 8.50am & 7pm**

**Thursday & Friday: 8.50am**

**Saturday: 11am**

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 17th February**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:**

**Durrow 7.30 pm:** Paddy Lee, 1st anniversary

Kieran Monahan

**SUNDAY 18th February**

**Durrow 11.15 am:**

**Collections Weekend 3rd / 4th January 2024**

Loose Plate - € 329.50 Envelopes - €1038.50

**Adoration**

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 9 - 9.30am,  
and in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays  
and on Fridays from 7-8pm.



**Ash Wednesday - 14th February 2024**

**Masses**

Durrow 8.50am

Cullohill 9am

Rathdowney 10am

Durrow 7pm

*Ashes will be distributed at all of these Masses*

**Distribution of Ashes will also take place as follows:**

SuperValu, Rathdowney - 11am to 1pm & 4.30pm to 6.30pm

On the Green in Durrow - 2pm to 4pm