MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 30th March

Errill 7pm Easter Vigil Anna Delaney, Rossmore, Errill

Chrissie Hickey, Ossory Street, Rathdowney

Sunday 31st March

Rathdowney 6.30am: Dawn Mass of Easter - Community Garden

Rathdowney 10am: Easter Sunday Mass

Mary Whelan, Ballyedmond

Masses During the Week

Monday - Rathdowney No Mass

Tues - Rathdowney 10am

Nicholas Carney, Knockiel his mother Nora and

father Edward & all deceased relatives.

Wed-to Friday Rathdowney 10am

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 6th April

Rathdowney 6 pm: Seamus McCabe, Moore St 1st Anniversary

Nora Ryan, Ossory Terrace Matthew Clancy, Rapla Sean Creagh, Mooreville

Sunday 7th April

Errill 10am: Teresa Abbott, Graigueavallagh Months Mind

Terry Smeaton, Church Street

Sonny O'Dea, Cuan Bhride & Clonmeen

Peg McGrath, Clonmeen

Recent Death: Oleksandr Yasnitskyi late of Ukraine & Durrow

Anniversaries: John Murray, Daly Terrace

Pauline McGovern, The Conoboro Kathy Dowling, Daly Terrace

Collections Weekend 23rd /24th March 2024

Loose Plate - €349 Envelopes - € 1,942

Adoration

No Adoration in Rathdowney or Errill until Thursday / Friday 11th & 12th April

Rosary will continue each evening - Monday to Friday

at 5.30 on the Webcam



Daffodil Day

Thank you to the businesses and volunteers who facilitated this years Daffodil Day fundraiser in Rathdowney & Errill. €4953 has been forwarded to the Irish Cancer Society, (cost of stock €2,225) due to generous donations and overpayments.

A profit of €2,738 has been achieved. ICS thank you for your support.

Parish Shops

Both parish shops have a new range of gifts in stock for First Communion, Christenings and other events. Candles, Rosary Bracelets, Crosses & Chains, Rosary Beads, Bibles, Grave Ornaments Come in and have a look!

Newsletter for the Parishes of Durrow and Rathdowney 30th / 31st March Easter Sunday

Pastoral Council Members

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

Durrow

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

Errill GAA Lotto Results

No jackpot winner Numbers drawn 4, 12, 22 & 26. 2 Match Three's Patsy Hartigan, Clonmel & Paddy Purcell, Clonmeen Next week's jackpot - €11,150.

Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results

Numbers drawn 5, 19, 24, 25

No Jackpot Winner

10 x €15: Lucy Houlihan, Conoboro: T.J.

Murray c/o Errill PO; Martin Byrne, c/o
PO; Paul Purcell, c/o Martin Peters;
Mary Hennessy, The Showgrounds;

Nicole Houlihan, c/o O'Malley's; Berna
Moynan, Green Rds; Martin Peters,

Mooreville; Liz Dowling, Errill; Jarlaith
Sinnott, Ballymeelish

Next week's jackpot €2,600.

Koinz for Kidz

This is a voluntary organisation that raises funds to help improve children's lives. At the moment they are fundraising to procure a paediatric MRI scanner, which will undoubtedly save numerous children's lives for decades to come.

You can help by donating any foreign coins you have no use for. These can be left into the parish offices in Durrow and Rathdowney. Darina will bring them to Dublin on a regular basis where they will be delivered to Koinz for Kidz.

Easter Ceremonies on RTE

This year RTE will broadcast the Easter Ceremonies from St Mary's Cathedral in Kilkenny. These ceremonies will be live on Good Friday at 3pm and for the Easter Vigil at 11pm on Holy Saturday night. We thank all those who are working to prepare for these celebrations. These promise to be special celebrations in our Diocese. We invite people to join with us by watching on TV or if you like to come along.

St Canice's Credit Union

St Canice's Credit Union are currently recruiting for a Teller position in its Durrow and neighbouring branches. A full job description can be found at www.stcanices.ie/jobopportunity

Closing date for application 5.30 pm on 5th April 2024.

Foundations in Youth Ministry

The most powerful ministry to young people is from young people themselves. This digital course on the ASPAL platform provides a chance for those who are in youth ministry, or would hope to be, to deepen your calling and to reflect on key principals that will help guide your important work. Register at ASPAL.ie

Art Classes

Art classes for adults in LOETB premises, Church St, Rathdowney. Commencing Wednesday April 10th from 11am – 1pm. 1 class per week for 6 weeks. Please phone Bríd on 086-4030723 to register.

Cinema Night

In aid of Radio Maria Showing "The Song for Bernadette" in the Balcony Cinema, Mountmellick, R32WP68 on Tuesday 16th April (St. Bernadette's Feast Day). Book with Antoinette on 086-080 3047. Cost €10. Doors open at 8pm.

Bridge Lessons

Bridge lessons will start in Cullohill Community Centre on Thursday 11th April at 7.30 pm for 6 weeks.

If interested please phone 086 3582964

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SATURDAY 30th March

Durrow 9.00 pm: Easter Vigil

SUNDAY 31st March

Cullohill 10am: Easter Sunday Mass

Durrow 11.15 am: Easter Sunday Mass

Michael Soames, Ballyragget

Durrow

Monday - Friday: 8.50am Saturday: 11am

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND - EASTER WEEKEND

SATURDAY 6th April

Cullohill 7.30 pm: Mary McNeill

Michael McEvoy, Rapla

Durrow 7.30 pm:

Sunday 7th April

Durrow 11.15 am: John Moylan, 1st anniversary and his wife, Sheila

Dick Snr & Sarah Dempsey, Durrow

Recent Death: Oleksandr Yasnitskyl, Durrow & Ukraine

Anniversaries:

Collections Weekend 23rd / 24th March 2024

Loose Plate - €346 Envelopes - €1,477

Adoration

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 8.50—9.50am, in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays and on Fridays from 7-8pm.

If you wish to have the name of your deceased family member included in our weekly newsletter, please contact the parish office in person / by email durrow@ossory.ie / rathdowney@ossory.ie or phone (Durrow) 085 26 25 033 /(Rathdowney) 0505 46282 by midday on Thursday.

Reconstituted Ossory Diocesan Pastoral Council ODPC

In July 2023 Bishop Niall established a working group to consider the form of Diocesan Pastoral Council that would best serve the Diocese at this time. The group met several times and consulted widely with other dioceses and pastoral advisers as to best practice. The group submitted proposals to Bishop Niall at the end of August. Taking these proposals into account, Bishop Niall has appointed the following as members of the new ODPC: Bishop Niall Coll, Frs. Dan Carroll, Dan Bollard, Martin Delaney, Ms. Ann Daly, Ms. Sarah Rice, Ms. Brid Duffy, Mr. Diarmuid Healy, Mr. John Shortall, Ms. Gemma Mulligan, Sr. Helen Maher.

Sarah Rice accepted the role of Chairperson.

The first meeting of the new ODPC took place on 19th January.

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person - Ailish Higgins - 085 802 1633 <u>safeguarding@ossory.ie</u> Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA – Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997

Parish Representatives

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