

<u>MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH</u>	
SATURDAY 2nd March	
Rathdowney 6 pm: Betty O’Brien, Donaghmore Months Mind & her husband Billy on his birthday. Paddy Hickey, Quigley Park Anthony McKelvey	
SUNDAY 3rd March	
Errill 10am: First Communion Preparation Mass Mary Flanagan, Ballagh, 1st Anniversary Joseph & Mary Bergin, Kyleahaw, Errill & their parents Martin & Jane Bergin, Lisduff & Peter & Bridget Browne, Moore St & all deceased family members Patrick & Maureen Bergin, Lismorougha	
<u>MASSES DURING THE WEEK</u>	
Monday - Rathdowney	No Mass
Tues 10 am Rathdowney	
Wed 10 am Rathdowney	Catherine & Peter Duggan, The Square
Thurs 10am Rathdowney	Katie Dowling, Errill
Friday 10am Rathdowney	
<u>MASSES NEXT WEEKEND</u>	
SATURDAY 9th March	
Rathdowney 6 pm: Peg Dollard, Ballyedmond Peter & Bridie Daly, High St, Rathdowney Patrick & Mary Carroll, Main St Rathdowney	
SUNDAY 10th March	
Errill 10am: Dermot & Catherine Barton, Graigueavalla Harry Wynne, Kyleahaw Bill & Mary Wynne, Kyleahaw	
Recent Death: Liam Costigan, Roscrea	
Anniversaries: Margaret Curran; Ciss Whelan; Mary Whelan; Paddy Whelan.	
<u>Collections Weekend 24th / 25th February 2024</u> Loose Plate - €433 Envelopes - € 987	
<u>Adoration</u> 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	
<u>5th March: St Kieran’s Day</u>	
The 5th of March is the feast of St Kieran, patron of our diocese. Often referred to as Ciarán of Saigher, Kieran is one of the 12 apostles of Ireland and is considered to be the first saint born in Ireland. Cape Clear Island off the south west coast of Cork is traditionally regarded as his birth place. It is reported that Patrick sent Kieran to Ireland from Rome having given him a bell with the instruction to build a monastery where it sounded. He settled in Seir Kieran as a hermit but soon disciples were attracted to him and a large monastery grew up around his cell. He is traditionally depicted as a John the Baptist type figure, wearing animal skins and dwelling in the wilderness.	

Newsletter for the Parishes of Durrow and Rathdowney 2nd / 3rd March 2024 - 3rd Sunday of Lent	
<u>Pastoral Council Members</u> 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	<u>Lent Tweets</u> Follow @OssoryDiocese for a simple thought each day during Lent. Have your timeline prompt you to pause each day to be reminded of your Lenten journey. <u>A Spirituality of Brokenness</u> Finding the Holy in the Mess of Life St Kieran’s College, Monday 11th March at 7.30 pm <u>Ministers of God’s Word</u> St Kieran’s College, Wednesday 13th and 20th March at 8pm <u>The Harps GAA</u> Are calling on all parents and club members to donate old hurls and helmets. These can be dropped off at the Clubhouse at any time. The condition of the hurls / helmets is not important as they will be refurbished. <u>Volunteers Needed</u> For conversational English! No experience necessary. All are welcome. Location & Times: Rathdowney, Monday, Tuesdays or Thursdays (TBD) from 10am till 12pm Contact Olena on 087-913 1236 <u>Bake Sale</u> Errill Vision Group are holding a bake sale after 10 o’ clock mass on Sunday 3rd March in Ray’s lounge Errill, in aid of the hall redevelopment. All are welcome for a cuppa and some tasty treats. <u>Anam Cara</u> Anam Cara Midlands, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it’s monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 13th March at 7:15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 4045378.
<u>Social Dance Classes</u> To include Waltz, Foxtrot and Quick-step continue on Wednesday s at 8pm in the Marian Centre, Rathdowney. Contact 087-92 49 633 for more details <u>Music Generation Laois - Course For TY Students</u> This course covers music performance and production, songwriting and arranging. The course will run from Monday 11 March to Friday 15 March in Laois Music Centre, Church Ave, Portlaoise, 9am-3.30pm. It will be delivered by Musician Educators from Music Generation Laois, and guest musicians Hendryk Kar (The John Lennon Bus) and Sean-an Brennan (KILA). The fee to take part is €100. Contact Music Generation Laois on mgl@loetb.ie to sign up <u>Errill GAA Lotto Results</u> No jackpot winner Numbers drawn 5, 14, 16 & 28. 5 X €20 - Timmy Williams, Grogan; Paddy Purcell, Clonmeen; Ciara Hogan, Coolowley; Lilly Doyle, c/o PO; William Delaney, c/o P. Bergin. Next week’s jackpot - €10,500. <u>Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results</u> Numbers drawn 5, 7, 11 & 26. Jackpot Winner: Conor Meagher, Quigley Pk. 10 winners of €15 - Brian & Katie Campion; Knockiel; Lisa Butler & Emma Dollard; Claire Meade; Enda & Fionnuala c/o M Dowling: Cormac Bracken; PJ Duggan; Brendan Dowling, Errill; Louise Kirwan & John Paul Ryan. Next week’s jackpot €2,000.	

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Cullohill 7.30 pm:	First Communion Preparation Mass Stephen Brophy, Aughmacart Bridie Walker, Rapla
Durrow 7.30 pm:	
SUNDAY 3rd March	
Durrow 11.15 am:	
<u>Durrow</u> Monday - Friday:	8.50am
Saturday:	11am
<u>MASSES NEXT WEEKEND</u>	
SATURDAY 9th March	
Cullohill 7.30 pm:	
Durrow 7.30 pm:	Michael And Dan Mooney
SUNDAY 10th March	
Durrow 11.15 am:	Eileen & James Phelan, Derry Road Mary Walsh, Erkindale Drive Julia Donohue, Carrigan Street
Recent Death:	Patrick Ryan, Newtown
Anniversaries:	
<u>Collections Weekend 24th / 25th February 2024</u> Loose Plate - €265 Envelopes - € 3,040	
<u>Adoration</u> 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.	
<u>Durrow Parish Office</u> We will be closed Friday next—8th March—to facilitate voting.	
<u>Online Advent Retreat</u> The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a FREE OF CHARGE Easter Triduum retreat. 'Bright Sadness and Solemn Joy: The Easter Triduum'. Visit our website prioryinstitute.com to register/find out more.	
<u>SAFEGUARDING</u> Designated Liaison Person - Ailish Higgins - 085 802 1633 safeguarding@ossory.ie Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA – Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997 Parish Representatives Rathdowney - John Casey & Helen Campion Durrow - Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy	
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 46272 by midday on Thursday.	