

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH**

**SATURDAY 27th April**

**Rathdowney 6 pm:** Catherine (Rene) Lediard (nee Fanning) Golf Links Rd  
1st Anniversary  
Margaret & Martin Finn, The Conoboro  
Joe Bowe, London & Formerly Moore St

**SUNDAY 28th April**

**Errill 10am:** Deceased members of the Delaney Family, Errill Village  
Mick & Bridie Keyes, Pounds Hill, Errill  
Br Tom Gorman, Errill

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK**

**Monday - Rathdowney** No Mass  
**Tues Rathdowney 10am** Josie Doyle, Kyle.  
**Wed to Friday Rathdowney** Mass at 10 am

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 4th May**

**Rathdowney 6 pm** Lizzie Bowe, Daly Terrace 1st Anniversary  
& remembering Jackie, Mary and Tommy Bowe  
Sean & Johanna Curran, Ballycoolid  
Evelyn & Bridie Holohan, Belmullet, London & Rathdowney.

**SUNDAY 5th May**

**Errill 10am:** No Mass  
**Errill 12 Noon** First Holy Communion Mass for St Colmcille's NS

**Anniversaries** Patrick Campion, Kyle; Liam Dowling, formerly Harristown;  
Thomas Ryan, Kilcommon; Thomas Hogan, Crosspatrick;  
Denis Kelly, Templetuohy

**Recent Deaths:** Mary Cummins, Dublin & Wexford  
(sister of Paddy Martin)  
Sean Keyes, Kilbreedy  
Marian Moyna, The Conoboro  
Catherine Cass, Freshford (sister of Pauline Delaney)

**Collections Weekend 20th / 21st April 2024**

Loose Plate - € 244 Envelopes - € 1,043

**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 on the Webcam

**Errill GAA Lotto Results**

No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 4, 5, 8 & 29  
1 Match Three: Tadgh Keane, Errill Next week's jackpot - €11,750.

**Rathdowney GAA Lotto Results**

Numbers drawn 4, 14, 15, 27. No Jackpot Winner  
10 x €15 Eoin Bourke, Clonmeen, Marie Mahon, Levalley, Willie Campion,  
Ballybuggy, Tadgh Barry, Barney, Mary Hennessy, Mick Donohue, Mary c/o Mick  
Maher, Donal Prior, Cullahill, Anne Callaghan & Oisín Barry, Barney.  
Next week's jackpot €3,200.

**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  
27th / 28th April  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

In the Eastern Orthodox churches Easter is celebrated some weeks after our western Easter. This year The Orthodox Easter is next **weekend 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> of May**. This then is when our many local Ukrainian neighbours will celebrate Easter. Here is a little explanation about the Ukrainian Orthodox Easter.

“Easter is the biggest holiday after Christmas. Easter is called Velykden (Великдень) in Ukrainian. The preparation for it is held during the last week of Lent. Houses are cleaned (both inside and out), gardens are planted, field work is finished, but most importantly – Easter food is cooked! All sorts of non-lenten food like sausages and meat, cakes etc. are prepared but are not allowed to be eaten until Sunday.

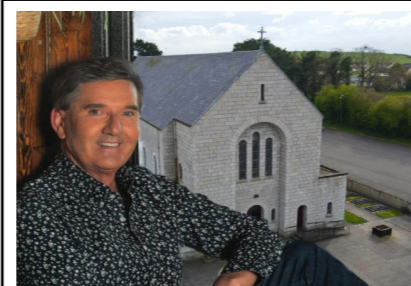
We love the traditions associated with Ukrainian Easter, and especially the **Blessing of the Easter Basket**, which contains all the food items used at Easter Brunch. The Easter Basket of special foods (described below) is arranged on Holy Saturday, and taken to church, where a special blessing ceremony with prayers and sprinkling with Holy Water, is performed by the parish priest. .

Besides the special foods, the Easter Basket is also decorated with greenery and flowers, as well as coloured eggs, and beautiful **Pysanky**. Each basket is covered with a **hand embroidered** cloth cover, with Easter motif of pussy willows and Easter Eggs.

This blessed food may not be consumed until after the morning Resurrection Liturgy on Easter Sunday. The food in the basket is the only food being consumed at the Easter Brunch, which breaks The Great Lent fasting.

After Easter Brunch, the Easter celebration continues for the rest of the day, with family and friends visiting, and enjoying many other foods and desserts”

**Next Saturday evening at the 6pm Vigil Mass in Rathdowney some of our Ukrainian families will bring their Easter Baskets of Food to be blessed. We look forward to being able to welcome them and helping to celebrate Easter.**



**Christmas Concert** 

We are delighted to announce that Daniel O'Donnell and his band will once again entertain us in concert on Sunday 1st December 2024 at 6 pm (doors open at 5.30)

Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday 1st May from 11 am to 2 pm at the Parish Office R32 AY19 (in person only) priced at €40

Telephone booking and payment will be available from Thursday 2nd May by calling 0505 46282 during normal Parish Office opening hours - Tuesday to Friday 10 am to 2 pm

A €1 transaction charge will apply to all tickets purchased with credit or debit cards.



Tickets will not be available through our website.

**This is Daniel's Only Christmas/Gospel Concert in Ireland in 2024**

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH**

**SATURDAY 27th April**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:** Mary Saunders

**Durrow 7.30 pm:** Sheila McEvoy, Cork Road

**SUNDAY 28th April**

**Durrow 11.15 am:** Pilar Delaney, Months Mind  
Mick Aylward, Patrick Street

**Durrow**

**Monday - Friday:** 8.50am

**Saturday:** 11am

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 4th May**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:** Danny Phelan, Oldtown  
Martin Gibbons, Cullohill

**Durrow 7.30 pm:**

**SUNDAY 5th May**

**Durrow 11.15 am:**

**Recent Death:** Alice Fitzpatrick (née Kinane), Cullohill & formerly Rossmore  
**Anniversaries:** Barry Dunton, UK. 1st anniversary

**Collections Weekend 20th / 21st April 2024**

Loose Plate - € 314 Envelopes - € 1,250

**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](mailto:durrow@ossory.ie) / [rathdowney@ossory.ie](mailto:rathdowney@ossory.ie) or phone (Durrow) 085 26 25 033 / (Rathdowney) 0505 46282 by midday on Thursday.**

**Folly Festival 2024**

A village ticket office will open between 11 am and 1 pm on Sunday 28th April at Cullohill Community Centre to purchase Early Bird Weekend Tickets at €60 and save the online booking charge. The Early Bird Offer will soon end so please ensure you get your tickets early!

**Cullohill Foróige Club**

5km Walk will take place on Sunday 28th April at 11.00 am. Registration from 10.30am at Cullohill Church Car Park.  
Adult €10 - Child €5 - Family €20  
Light refreshments to finish

**We welcome into Durrow Parish Community**

**Sarah Emma Moore**  
who is being baptised this weekend



**Church Cleaning Cullohill & Durrow**

Thank you to Bunlacken & Cullohill Mountain for cleaning the church in Cullohill in April. This month it falls to Ballykealy & Graigueavoice. In Durrow Team A will clean the church during the month of May.