

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH**

**SATURDAY 25th May**

**Rathdowney 6 pm** Sean Keyes, Kilbreedy Months Mind  
Kieran Phelan, Donaghmore  
Eddie Lowry, Cappalinnan

**SUNDAY 26th May**

**Errill 10am:** Robert (Bobby) Carroll, The Derries  
& his uncle Neddy Guilfoyle, Clonboo  
Marie Grogan, Errill & Limerick

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK**

**Monday - Rathdowney** No Mass  
**Tues Rathdowney 10am** Tim Dowling Monamondra  
**Wed Rathdowney 10 am** Thomas & Julia Maguire, Ballagh & deceased  
members of the Maguire.  
**Thurs & Friday** **Mass in Rathdowney at 10 am**

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 1st June**

**Rathdowney 6 pm** Bill Hetherington, Quigley Park Months Mind  
Kathleen Lee, Main St 1st Anniversary  
Jack & Nellie Williams, Grogan  
John Quigley, Main St, Rathdowney

**SUNDAY 2nd June**

**Errill 10 am** Bridie & Peter Daly, High Street, Rathdowney

**Anniversaries** Dan & Maureen Phelan, Daly Terrace & their son Gerard  
Michael & Elizabeth Flanagan, Clonburren & their daughter  
in law Maura, Roscrea

**Recent Deaths:** Pascal Begadon, Ballacolla died in the USA.

**Collections Weekend 18th / 19th May 2024**

Loose Plate - € 205 Envelopes - € 831

**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

**Heating Repair Fund**

You will recall that on Christmas morning last the sanctuary of the floor in Rathdowney church was completely flooded due to a leak in the piping of our heating system. In the days that followed it became clear that we had a bigger problem than just a burst pipe. Major repair works were required and as the Insurance Company deemed it damage due to 'wear and tear' they would not cover the cost of the work.

Our Parish Finance Committee suggested that we have a fund raising collection on the 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> of February. A considerable amount of money came in that weekend but contributions continued all through Lent. A significant number of donations came from outside the parish from families and individuals with connections here. Some contributors had accessed our services on the webcam. Most of the donations came from our parishioners.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed.

**The collection raised €29,015. The bill for the completed repair works finally arrived this week and it came to a total of €25,568.44.**

Thank you again to everyone, including those volunteers who gave up some hours on Christmas morning to deal with the flood.

*Fr. Martin*

**Newsletter for the Parishes of  
Durrow and Rathdowney  
25th / 26th May 2024  
The Most Holy Trinity**

**St. Colmcille's N.S. Errill**

Part-time cleaner required (commencing  
Tuesday September 2nd 2024)  
Duties will include general cleaning of the  
school premises.

The successful candidate would be  
required to work 2 hours per school day  
during school term time only.

Please include the contact details for two  
referees with your letter of application /  
C.V. This appointment is subject to current  
Garda Vetting requirements.

Please apply by post to: St. Colmcille's  
N.S., Errill, Portlaoise, R32CK26, Co. Laois  
by Friday May 31st 2024  
(Marking Envelope Cleaner Application)

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

Our pilgrimage to Medjugorje leaves on  
Wednesday 5th June.

As in previous years, I'm happy to bring  
any prayer requests or special intentions  
you may have. They will be included in all  
the prayers of our pilgrimage.

Please put your requests in a sealed  
envelope and drop them into my house  
before Tuesday 4th June.

Please **DO NOT** include any money  
offerings with your requests.

*Fr Martin*

**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**

**Safeguarding Course**

Harps Camogie Club are putting on a  
safeguarding course on Tuesday the  
28th of May in Cullohill Community Centre  
at 7pm.

We would really appreciate if as many  
parents as possible could attend. We  
have huge numbers at underage which  
is amazing, but we really need to be  
able to call on parents to help out when  
we are short coaches. It does not mean  
you will have to commit to a team, it is  
just in case we need to ask you to step  
in and help out with a drill, injury, toilet  
break etc.

If you are free to complete the course,  
text 087 6805402 to book a spot.

**Cemetery Mass Schedule**

**Sat 13th July** Local Cemetery Rathdowney **6 pm**

**Fri 26th July** Aughmacart, Cullohill **8 pm**

**Sat 27th July** Bealady Cemetery Rathdowney **6 pm**

**Fri 2nd August** Kyleogue, Cullohill (To be confirmed) **8 pm**

**Sat 10th August** Cullohill Cemetery **7.30 pm**

**Sun 11th August** Errill Cemetery **10am**

**Thurs 15th August** Grogan Church **8 pm**

**Sun 1st September** Durrow Cemetery **11.15 am**

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH**

**SATURDAY 25th May**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:** Alice Fitzpatrick, Months Mind  
John & Kitty Delaney, Parknahown

**Durrow 7.30 pm:** Nancy Mahony, Chapel St  
Tilly Ryan, The Square

**SUNDAY 26th May**

**Durrow 11.15 am:** Sr. Bridie Bolger, Cannonswood, 1st anniversary, her  
parents Michael John & Kathleen and her brother Eddie.

**Cullohill 12 noon:** **Cullohill First Holy Communion**

**Durrow**

**Monday - Friday: 8.50am**

**Saturday: 11am**

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 1st June**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:** John Moore, Cannonswood

**Durrow 7.30 pm:**

**SUNDAY 2nd June**

**Durrow 11.15 am:** Joan Dempsey, Swan Road  
John Alley, Bishopswood

**Recent Death:** Pascal Begadon, Ballacolla, Died in USA

**Collections Weekend 18th / 19th May 2024**

Loose Plate - € 607 Envelopes - € 940

**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.

**Durrow Scarecrow**

Volunteers are meeting Monday & Tuesday evenings from 7pm in the ICA Hall,  
Patrick Street R32Y206

Why not pop in for a chat and some scarecrow making.

We need you!

**Church Cleaning Cullohill & Durrow**

Thank you to Ballykealy & Graigueavoise for cleaning the church in Cullohill  
in May. This month it falls to Ballynevin.

In Durrow Team B will clean the church during the month of May.

**We welcome into Durrow Parish Community**

**Will Arthur Brophy**

**who is being baptised this weekend**



**Congratulations**

Congratulations to the children of Cullohill  
who make their First Holy Communion this Sunday.  
We thank them, their parents, teachers and especially Sr Anita for their  
dedication to preparing for this Sacrament