

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH**

**SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY**

**Rathdowney 6pm:** Seamus Bracken, Cascade St, **1st Anniversary** & his parents Patrick & Mary. Mickey Whelan, Donaghmore & deceased members of the Deegan & Whelan Families. Jimmy Hayes, Newtownperry & deceased members of the Hayes Family, Clonmeen.

**SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY**

**Errill 10 am:** Michael & Agnes Murphy, Graigueavalla Mary Kerr (nee Delaney) formerly Rossmore John & Catherine Dalton, Clonmeen.

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK**

**Monday:** No Mass  
**Tuesday to Thursday:** Mass at 10 am  
**Friday 10am:** Mark Whelan & deceased members of the Whelan Family, Pound Street.

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY**

**Rathdowney 6pm:** **First Holy Communion Preparation Mass** Nora Browne, Daly Terrace Niamh Hickey, Ossory Terrace Billy Finane, Ballybuggy.

**SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY**

**Errill 10 am:** Mary Champion, Knockiel, **Months Mind** Mary & Michael (Snr) Fitzgerald, their son Michael & daughter Theresa, Church Street, Rathdowney

**Anniversaries:** Paddy Madden, Turfarney

**Collections Weekend 11th / 12th January 2025**

Loose Plate - € 571 Envelopes - € 229

**Adoration**

Rathdowney on Thursday after Mass until 12 noon

Errill on Friday from 10am until 12 Noon.

Rosary will continue each evening - Monday to Friday at 5.30pm on the Webcam.

**Parish Shops**

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

**St. Colmcille's N.S. Errill Enrolment 2025 / 2026**

Applications for enrolment for the 2025 / 2026 school year will be accepted until February 10th 2025.

Forms are available from the school (0505-44228 / office@errillns.ie) and our Admissions Notice is available on our school website: www.errillns.ie

**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.**

**Newsletter for the Parishes of**

**Durrow and Rathdowney**

**18th / 19th January 2025**

**Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Parish Office Opening Hours**

**Rathdowney**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
9.30am - 2pm

& Friday 9.30am - 1pm

**Durrow**

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
10 am to 2 pm

**SAFEGUARDING**

Designated Liaison Person - Ailish Higgins - 085 802 1633 [safeguarding@ossory.ie](mailto:safeguarding@ossory.ie) Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA - Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997 Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313 416 / [www.towardshealing.ie](http://www.towardshealing.ie)

Towards Peace Helpline: 01-505 3028 / [www.towardspeace.ie](http://www.towardspeace.ie)

**Parish Representatives**

**Rathdowney**

John Casey & Helen Champion

**Durrow**

Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

**Kilquhan Drama Group Present**

*"Stop it Nurse"* by Sam Cree - Directed by Benny Mills. Comedy in Three Acts in Coon Hall (Eir-Code R93 EC89).

Play will be Performed on 31st January, 2025, 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th and 9th February, 2025 at 8.00 pm.

Doors Open at 7.00 pm. Admission €10.

**Please Note**

If you are including a cheque in any of your envelopes, please make the cheque payable to Rathdowney Parish or Durrow Parish as appropriate.

These Cheques should not be made payable to Fr Martin or to the name of the Church itself.

**Blood Donation Clinics**

Scoil Bhríde National School, **Rathdowney**

Tuesday 21st January  
16.30pm to 20.30pm

Castle Arms Hotel, **Durrow**

Wednesday 22nd January  
15.45pm to 20.00pm

**Pastoral Council Members**

**Rathdowney**

Assumpta Casey; Helen Champion; 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; Vicky Murphy; Margaret Murphy; Seamus Clancy; Liam Kavanagh; Pádraig Kiely; Anne-Marie Kiely Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

**Cois Nore Outreach, Urlingford**

This is a local free and confidential service supporting those who need it to live well with cancer and also has services for their families.

The Mill FRC, Main Street, Urlingford.

Available 10am-12 noon every Friday

**Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation**

Meetings with parents of Confirmation Candidates will take place as follows: Rathdowney & Errill Schools in Rathdowney Church Monday 20th January at 7 pm

Durrow & Cullohill Schools in Cullohill Church Thursday 23rd January at 7 pm

Candidates should not attend

**Our Lady's Meadow NS Durrow**

For information on enrolment for Junior Infants Please contact the school on 057 87 36329

**Mental Health Talk**

On Thursday 23rd January in Cullohill Community Centre at 7.30pm. For information contact Canice Maher 086-8041867. All Welcome

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**SATURDAY 18th JANUARY**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:** Kieran Costigan, Canonswood Katherine Carroll. Main St, Rathdowney

**Durrow 7.30 pm:**

**SUNDAY 19th JANUARY**

**Durrow 11.15 am:** Emer Foley John Soames, St Fintan's Terrace

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK**

**Monday to Saturday** Mass in Durrow at 8.50am

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY 25th JANUARY**

**Cullohill 7.30 pm:**

**Durrow 7.30 pm:**

**SUNDAY 26th JANUARY**

**Durrow 11.15 am:** **First Holy Communion Preparation Mass**

**Anniversaries:** Frank & Patricia Warner, The Square

**Collections Weekend 11th / 12th January 2025**

Loose Plate - € 497 Envelopes - € 1,959

**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.

We welcome into Durrow Parish Community

Tadhg Fairbrother & Bobby Heavey

who are being baptised this weekend



**Cullohill Community Centre Auction**

This year's auction will be held on Sunday, January 26th, at 1.30pm. We are asking each household/business to offer or donate good quality items such as firewood (or a tree), agricultural goods, toys, vouchers, household goods and furniture to be auctioned on the day. You can drop your items to the Community Centre on the afternoon of Saturday, January 25th. We will also hold a cake sale on the day so we will be very grateful for your donations or cakes and home baking.

Thanks in advance for your support for what is a key fundraiser each year for Cullohill Community Centre and Handball Club.

**Do you have a family member or friend in a nursing home?**

Sr. Anita and I like to visit parishioners who are living in Nursing Homes or other Care settings. Unfortunately, we don't have accurate knowledge about all of our parishioners from Durrow and Cullohill who are in Nursing Homes. I'm asking if you have a relative or know of someone from the parish in any Nursing Home or long-term care centre to please let us know. You can contact me, or Sr. Anita directly or alternatively leave the details in the Parish Office.

Fr. Martin