MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

Saturday 10th May

Rathdowney 6pm: Larry Ryan, Knockiel, Months Mind

Liam Walsh, The Old Rectory

Martin & Margaret Finn, The Conoboro

Jim Kilcare, Ossory Terrace

Sunday 11th May

Errill 10 am: Margaret & William Bentley, Templemore

> Michael O'Sullivan, Moore St Billy Lupton, Coolkerry.

Masses During the Week

Monday: No Mass

Tues & Wed. 10am: Intentions of Medjugorje Pilgrims

Thursday & Friday: Mass at 10am

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 17th May

Rathdowney 6pm: Martin Bergin, Donaghmore & deceased members of

> the Bergin & Cuddy Families. Peggy Delaney, Cappalinan Aine Hetherington

> > Sunday 18th May

Errill 10 am: Marie Grogan, Limerick

James & Margaret Grant, Ballagh

Rathdowney 11.30am: First Holy Communion

Joseph (Joe) Fitzpatrick, Limerick & Rathdowney **Recent Deaths:**

> Sean Finn, Conoboro Olinda Maria Varela

Joseph Dowling, Clonmeen **Anniversaries:**

Michael Dooley, Raheen, Donaghmore.

Collections Weekend 3rd / 4th May 2025

Loose Plate - € 315 Envelopes - € 900

Adoration

Rathdowney - Thursday after Mass until 12 Noon

Errill - Friday from 10 am to 12 Noon

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

Local Cemetery

There are plans to erect a new cross behind the altar in the Local Cemetery. If you would like to contribute you can leave a donation in the Parish Office

Chair Pilates

In Rathdowney Library Wednesday 14th, 21st and 28th: 12—1pm Booking is essential as places are limited. For more information or to book a place, phone 050546852 or email rathdowneylibrary@laoiscoco.ie

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! We also carry a large range of signed Mass Cards and Mass Bouquet's for a variety of intentions.

Newsletter for the Parishes of **Durrow and Rathdowney** 10th / 11th May 2025 **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person -Ailish Higgins - 085 802 1633 safeguarding@ossory.ie Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA -Laois/Offaly 044 935 3997 Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313 416 www.towardshealing.ie Towards Peace Helpline: 01-505 3028 www.towardspeace.ie Parish Representatives Rathdowney

John Casey & Helen Campion

Durrow Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

Cemetery Masses 2025

| Local Cemetery | Saturday 7th June | 6.00pm |
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| Aughmacart | Wednesday 11th June | 7.30pm |
| Kyleogue | Friday 20th June | 7.30pm |
| Bealady | Saturday 21st June | 6.00pm |
| Durrow | Sunday 22nd June | 11.15am |
| Cullohill | Saturday 28th June | 7.30pm |
| Errill | Sunday 29th June | 10.00am |
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St Brigid's Camogie Club

Clothes Collection every Saturday from 7th June until 28th June 5-6 pm at Dunnes Car Park, Rathdowney. Curtains / Duvets in separate bags.

The Irish Cancer Society's Transport Service

is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers in your community. Your time can help to continue the vital service of providing transport for patients attending cancer treatment appointments.

If you have a minimum of 2 days per month to spare, a valid driving license, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you're the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. Your generosity can ease the journey for many during a challenging time, offering comfort and support when it's needed most.

Full training will be provided. There are a number of essential post-drive administration tasks that will require either existing knowledge of basic computer or IT skills, or the willingness to acquire such skills (such as scanning and uploading documents or attending virtual meetings).

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, contact Monica at volunteer@irishcancer.ie.

Lourdes Petitions

Eoin Holland will be travelling to Lourdes as a Youth Helper to assisted pilgrims on the upcoming Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage.

Should anyone wish him to bring a petition to Lourdes for them they can be left into either parish office...Durrow or Rathdowney on or before lunchtime Friday 16th May. Alternatively, petitions can be given directly to Eoin or left into the box in Cullohill Church at weekend Masses.

> Please clearly mark your sealed envelope "Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Petition".

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 10th May

Cullohill 7.30pm: Martin Gibbons & deceased members of the Gibbons

family

Durrow 7.30 pm: Martin Walsh, Carrigan Street

Joe O'Leary, Rath

Patsy & Mick Dunphy, Dunmore

Sunday 11th May

Durrow 11.15 am:

Cullohill 12 Noon: **Cullohill First Holy Communion**

Masses During the Week

Monday to Friday: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 17th MAY

Cullohill 7.30 pm: PJ Cunningham, Ballybooden

Durrow 7.30 pm:

SUNDAY 18th MAY

Durrow 11.15 am: Michael & Peg Fitzpatrick, Tubberboe

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Michael Gaughan, Mary Street

> Collections Weekend 3rd / 4th May 2025 Loose Plate - €568 Envelopes - € 1,295

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.

Anam Cara

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 14th May April at 7.30pm 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 how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

Barn Owl Players

Barn Owl Players present 'The McGowan Trilogy " a play in 3 acts in Thomastown Concert Hall Thursday 15th, Friday 16th and Saturday 17th May @ 7.30pm. Tickets on Eventbrite or at the door.

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