#### MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

#### Saturday 6th September

Rathdowney 6pm: Brid Davin, Ann Butler & all deceased members of the

Davin & Butler Families, Eglish.

James Gilmartin, Quigley Park & all deceased members

of the Gilmartin Family.

#### **Sunday 7th September**

Errill 10am: Michael Button, Months Mind & his mother Trishia

> Castlefleming on her anniversary. Bridget Campion, Coolkerry.

## Masses During the Week

Monday: No Mass **Tuesday to Friday:** Mass at 10am

## **MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday 13th September

Rathdowney 6pm: Joan Phelan (Mountrath & Rathdowney) 1st Anniversary

Margaret (Peg) & Andrew Bergin, Kilcoran

Bridget Phelan, Quigley Park

### Sunday 14th September

Errill 10am: Joe Davy, Knockardgannon

Tony, Statia, Tommy & Liam White, Castlefleming

Peggy Cleary, Garryduff

**Recent Death:** Joe Nolan, Mooreville

Anniversaries: Sidney Kinsella, Johnstown Glebe

Jimmie Maher, Moore Street

### Collections Weekend 30th /31st August 2025

Loose Plate - € 180 Envelopes - € 877

## **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.

#### St Columba's Church in Grogan

Research has commenced with a view to writing a history of Grogan Church. Apart from the precious memories people have of attending Grogan Church, it is best remembered for its seventeen magnificent windows by James Watson & Sons of Youghal. The windows were commissioned over 100 years ago. In September, it

is hoped to bring people together in St Bernadette's Hall. On the night, information gathered will be shared and people will have an opportunity to share their own memories and any knowledge they may have of Grogan Church. We ask that people have a look in their own 'archive' to see if they have any photos or items of interest. Even if nothing is found, we would ask that people come along to the hall in Errill on the night to share their own memories and hear other people's stories relating to Grogan Church.

If for any reason you cannot attend on the night. Eamon Cleary (086 1560587) or Shephen Cahill (087 3636408) would be delighted to go and meet with you.

Newsletter for the Parishes of **Durrow and Rathdowney** 6th / 7th September 2025 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# **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; Liam Kavanagh; Pádraig Kiely; Anne-Marie Kiely Sr. Anita O'Leary; Fr. Martin Delaney

#### 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.

# **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

## **Church Cleaning** Cullohill & Durrow

Thank you to Rapla & Aughmacart for cleaning the church in Cullohill in August and to Team D in Durrow This month it falls to Cannonswood in Cullohill, and in Durrow, Team A will clean the church during the month of September.

## Parish Office Opening Hours

#### Rathdowney

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9.30am - 2pm & Friday 9.30am - 1pm

#### Durrow

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10am to 2 pm

## Men's Jubilee Camino

Men's hike - Sat Sept 13th 20kms, on greenway, from Dominican abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St Catherine's) via Newry Cathedral (Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions & Fraternity. Registration & details on www.dominicans.ie/events/ . €70 (Lunch, dinner & bus), over 18's male event. Enquiries to op.evangelisation@gmail.com.

#### **Fundraising Concert**

Michael English & His Band "Faith, Hope & Inspiration Concert" in Thurles Cathedral on Friday, September 26th, 2025, in aid of the Cathedral Reroofing Project. Ticket Donation: €30 - now on sale in Parish Office, Cathedral Street (0504 22229), Bookworm, Liberty Square (0504 22257) & Holycross Abbey Shop (0504 43124).

## **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

"Breast Cancer Awareness Month takes place October 1st-31st. For further information, please log onto www.breastcancerireland.com."

#### MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

#### Saturday September 6th

Cullohill 7.30 pm:

Durrow 7.30 pm: Mick Monahan, Erkindale Drive, Durrow

Kate Stapleton, Dunmore

Mary O'Shea, Tubberboe, Durrow.

**Sunday September 7th** 

Durrow 11.15 am: Anne Vaugh, Tinweir

Tom Morrissey, Carrigan St

Kathleen Coffey-Sheppard, Barnhill

Masses During the Week

Monday to Thursday: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND** 

Saturday September 13th

Cullohill 7.30 pm: William White, Rapla

Durrow 7.30 pm:

**Sunday September 14th** 

Durrow 11.15 am: James & Eileen Phelan, Derry Road

Matthew Dunne, Watercastle, Durrow

Recent Death: Canice Farrell, Durrow & formerly Castlecomer

## Collections Weekend 30th / 31st August 2025

Loose Plate - €330 Envelopes - €814

#### **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.

## **Cemetery Plot Inquiry**

From time to time, I am approached by someone looking to purchase a grave in the Parish section of the cemetery in Durrow.

I'm also aware that over the years, some graves have been reserved in Durrow by families from the Cullohill end of the parish. When the cemetery opened in Cullohill, many opted to be buried in this new cemetery instead.

What I'm trying to establish is whether there are plots reserved in Durrow which will not now be needed.

I would really appreciate it if you could contact me with any relevant information. Fr Martin

## "Long Way to Tipperary"

Templemore Misson Fund will host a variety concert in Our Lady's School Hall, Templemore on Friday September 19th at 8pm. Doors open at 7.30pm Tickets €20. All proceeds to church building project in Mutare, Zimbabwe.