MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY November 15th

First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass Rathdowney 6pm:

Michael Doheny, Daly Terrace

Jimmy & Kathleen O'Connor, Johnstown Road

Lot & Kathleen Campion, Kyle & Eileen Broderick, Ballacolla

Sunday 16th November

Errill 10am: Michael Button, formerly Castlefleming

> (Burial of Ashes will take place at 12.30pm) Mary Edwards, née Keane, Castlefleming

Teresa Kelly, Village View

Masses During the Week

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

> MASSES NEXT WEEKEND Saturday 22nd November

Rathdowney 6pm: Mary Gray, Daly Terrace 1st Anniversary

Tom Bowe, Grogan & deceased members

of the Bowe & Egan families Patrick Creagh, Ballybuggy

Sunday 23rd November

Errill: 10am: Mick Bergin, Coolowley

Recent Deaths:

Mary Mooney, Brosna, Kerry mother of Brian Mooney, Scoil Bhride. Michael O'Gorman, formerly Moore Street.

Anniversaries:

Eddie & Maisie O'Brien Quigley Park & deceased members of the O'Brien & Malone Families.

Jeremiah O'Gorman, The Square; Patrick Kavanagh, Quigley Park; Mary (Molly) Cantwell (45th Anniv) and all deceased members of her family.

> Collections Weekend 8th / 9th Nov 2025 Loose Plate € 268 Envelopes - € 1,380

Adoration

Rathdowney on Thursday after Mass until 12 noon Errill on Friday from 10am until 12 Noon

Rosary continues each evening Monday to Friday at 5.30pm on the Webcam.

Errill Drama Group

Presents the comedy 'Separate Beds' by Sam Cree in St Bernadette's Hall on Friday 14th, Sat 15th & Sun 16th November. Curtain up at 8pm sharp. All Welcome

First Saturday Conference in Knock

To mark the 100th anniversary of the First Saturday Apparition in Pontevedra, Spain, there will be a special conference in Knock on December 6th. The day begins with adoration and confessions at 10am and continues with talks from Bishop John Keenan, Antonia Moffat, and Fr Philip Kemmy in St John's Centre. Rosary led by the Children's Rosary group, a 15-minute meditation. At Fatima, Our Lady promised that there would be peace in the world and that many souls would be saved through this devotion. For more details please visit firstsaturdays.ie

Newsletter for the Parishes of **Durrow and Rathdowney** 15th / 16th November 2025

Thirty Third Sunday of 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

SAFEGUARDING

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Rathdowney

John Casey & Helen Campion Durrow Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

Book of Remembrance

During the month of November there will be a Book of Remembrance in each of our four churches.

Please write the names of your deceased loved ones in the book.

They will be remembered at each Mass celebrated in the church during this month of the Holy Souls.

Laois County Council

The annual prayer service to remember deceased staff and members of Laois County Council will be held on Tuesday 18th November 2025 in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Portlaoise at 6pm.

> Light refreshments will be served afterwards. Please note that people of all faiths are welcome to attend to remember our colleagues and friends. We look forward to seeing you on the evening.

Michael English in Concert

Friday 5th December at 8 pm in Ballinakill Church Tickets €30 available on line from Eventbrite and locally from McGrath's Foodstore, Ballinakill, Brennand's Shop, Abbeyleix Parish Office & Portlaoise Parish Centre

Annual Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Will take place from April 14th to 21st, 2026. Price €899 - Single supplement €210. Travel Insurance €55 (up to age 79) €75 (80 yrs +) Leader Mary O'Dea, Spiritual Director Fr Martin Delaney For more details contact Mary on 087 317 0084

Recordings of Remembrance Masses Available

Recordings of the Rathdowney and Durrow Mass of Remembrance are available on the Rathdowney Parish Website www.rathdowneyparish.ie Click on Videos at the top, scroll down to miscellaneous where you will find the link.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Auction with George Candler

November 22nd at 7.00pm St. Fiacre's Church (St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Kilkenny R95 RF97) 150 lots including... Vintage furniture, books, clothes, jewellery and other sought after items! Raffle on the night!

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY November 15th

Cullohill 7.30 pm: Billy Cogan, Month's Mind

Jack Dunphy, Oldtown

Mary & Peter Loughman, Newtown

Margaret Moore, Tubberboe Durrow 7.30 pm:

Sunday November 16th

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

Mary Kelly, Month's Mind

Ann Parkinson, Sean Doire Month's Mind Margaret & John Brophy, Carrigan Street

Masses During the Week

Mass in Durrow at 8.50am Monday to Friday:

> MASSES NEXT WEEKEND Saturday November 22nd

Cullohill 7.30 pm: Mary Bergin, Gurteen

Durrow 7.30 pm: Vera Fogarty, 1st Anniversary and her husband, James

Kathleen Walsh, Carrigan Street

Sunday November 23rd

Durrow 11.15 am: Peggy & Joe Dunphy & all deceased members of the

Dunphy & Henderson families, Upper Oldtown

Recent Deaths: Margaret Lynch, Derrywood, Durrow

Andrew (Andy) Phelan, Kyle, Durrow.

Anniversaries: Joseph Murphy, The Square, Durrow.

Collections Weekend 1st / 2nd Nov 2025

Loose Plate - € 678

Envelopes - € 2,386

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 Darragh Peter Lawlor who is being baptised this weekend



Congratulations

To Tanya Ryan and Conor Brophy who were married on Saturday 8th November



Volunteer Drivers Needed

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

If you have a few hours 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.

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