

## MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

### SATURDAY 10TH JANUARY 2026

**Rathdowney 6pm:** Liam Cummins, Knockiel  
Betty, Billy & John O'Brien, Donaghmore  
Jer Campion, Coolkerry

### SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2026

**Errill: 10am:** Mary Hetherington & deceased members of the  
Hetherington Family, Harristown.  
Thomas & Mary Wall, Rossmore  
Sonny O'Connor & deceased members of the O'Connor  
Family, Lismorougha

### MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

**Tues to Friday 10am:** Service of the Word & distribution of the Eucharist

**Recent Deaths:** Seamus Cahill, Bedfordshire, England & late of Kilcoran.  
Tom Carroll, Johnstown Glebe, Rathdowney.

**Anniversaries:** Peg Smeaton, Church St; Winifred Cleary, Errill;  
Lizzie Cleary, Cuan Bhríde.  
Mixie Daly, Gloscha Rd.; Dylan Daly, Portlaoise.

### MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

### SATURDAY 17TH JANUARY 2026

**Rathdowney 6pm:** Beenie Tynan, Months Mind  
John & Catherine Dalton, Clonmeen  
Mickey Whelan, Donaghmore & deceased members of  
the Deegan & Whelan Families.  
Jimmy Hayes & deceased members of the Hayes family,  
Clonmeen.

### SUNDAY 18TH JANUARY 2026

**Errill: 10am:** Joan Delaney, Clonburren 1st Anniversary  
and her husband Martin.  
Catherine Carroll, Main Street, Rathdowney.

### Collections

### Weekend 3rd/4th January 2026

Loose Plate - €1198      Envelopes - €1232

### Adoration

Will resume in Rathdowney on Thursday 15th January  
and in Errill on Friday 16th January

**Rosary** each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

### Anam Cara monthly Parent Support Evening

**Wednesday 14th January at 7.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age their child  
died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was.

To find out more call 01 4045378 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

Anam Cara, is also hosting an **Online Bereavement Information Evening on  
Thursday 22nd January at 7pm.**

Dr. Róisín Finnegan will be our guest speaker this month. Dr. Finnegan is a  
Chartered Clinical Psychologist currently working in Cancer Care West with  
individuals affected by cancer and loss.

This talk will focus on understanding grief after the death of a child, the many  
ways it can show up over time, and how parents can be supported in living  
alongside their loss. It will also touch on the impact of loss within the family,  
including siblings, and offers gentle ways of coping when emotions feel  
overwhelming.

## Newsletter for the Parishes of Durrow and Rathdowney 10th & 11th January 2026 The Baptism of the Lord

### 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 Campion  
**Durrow**  
Michael Killeen & Sarah Brophy

### 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 Office Opening Hours

#### **Rathdowney**

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

#### **Durrow**

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
10 am to 2 pm

### Funeral Masses on our Website

In order to comply with GDPR regulations  
recordings of funeral masses from Rathdowney and Errill will be available on  
[www.rathdowneyparish.ie](http://www.rathdowneyparish.ie) website for one month only.  
Copies of past funerals are available to family members on request.  
Contact the Parish Office re same.

### 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.

If you have a relative or know of someone from the parish in any Nursing Home  
or long-term care centre please let us know. You can contact me, or Sr. Anita di-  
rectly or alternatively leave the details in the Parish Office.

*Fr. Martin*



### Towards Healing

A confidential and free counselling service, Phone 1800 303 416.  
They provide face to face counselling, structured phone counselling, family  
counselling and a counselling helpline for people who have experienced  
institutional, clerical or religious abuse in Ireland.

## MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

### SATURDAY 10TH JANUARY 2026

**Cullohill 7.30pm:** Kieran Costigan, Canonswood.

**Durrow 7.30pm:** Emer Foley, Chapel St., Durrow.

### SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2026

**Durrow 11.15 am:** Teresa Walsh, Mary St., Durrow.

### MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

**Mon to Fri** Mass in Durrow at 8.50am

**Recent Death:** Bernadette Byrne, Cabra and late of Durrow.

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### SATURDAY 17TH JANUARY 2026

**Cullohill 7.30pm**

**Durrow 7.30pm:**

### SUNDAY 18TH JANUARY 2026

**Durrow 11.15am:** Mary Ryan, The Forge, Swan Rd., Durrow. Months Mind  
Tunde Nwagwe, Attanagh, First Anniversary  
Patrick and Eileen Ryan, Newtown, Durrow  
John and Sheila Moylan, Durrow

### Collections

### Christmas Collections

Loose Plate - €3547      Envelopes - €5288

### Weekend 3rd/4th January 2026

Loose Plate - €731      Envelopes - €770

### Adoration

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 10am to 11am  
**Please not change of time**  
and in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays  
and on Fridays from 7-8pm.

### Durrow Cemetery Work

Work on the trees in Durrow Cemetery is scheduled to start from mid January. During  
the short duration of this work, we would ask people, in the interests of safety,  
not to visit the cemetery.

### 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

### 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.  
Please DO NOT scratch out your envelope number.