

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass
Betty Maher (née O'Brien) Dublin & Rathdowney 1st Anniversary.
Niamh Hickey, Ossory Terrace.
Patrick, Mary & Seamas Bracken, Cascade Street.

SUNDAY 25TH JANUARY 2026

Errill: 10am: Michael, Mary, Teresa & Michael Fitzgerald, Rathdowney
Agnes & Michael Murphy, Graigueavalla & Teresa Abbott
Paddy & Lil Kelly, Churchquarter

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

Tues to Thurs: Mass at 10am

Fri. 10am: Robert & Teresa Rowland, Roscrea
Christopher & Nora O'Meara, Shinrone.

Recent Deaths: John Dollard, Ballagh.
Stephen Bergin, Camross.
Paddy Sweeney, Gathabawn.

Anniversaries: Mary Quigley, Johnstown Glebe;
Cathy Shortt, Ballincollig, Cork;
Jack Tynan, Kyleahaw.
Mary Kerr, England.

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND Saturday 31st January 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Sally Kennedy, Conoboro. Months Mind
Mary Browne, Moore St
Nora Browne, Daly Terrace
Tim Davin & Kay Butler & deceased members of the Davin & Butler Families.

Sunday 1st February 2026

Errill 10am: Paul Keyes, School Rd., Errill
Dan & Elizabeth Campion, Clonmeen.
Marc Pessers & deceased members of his family.

Collections Weekend 17th / 18th January 2026 Loose Plate - €300 Envelopes - €1705

Adoration

Rathdowney on Thursday after Mass until 12 noon
Errill on Friday from 10am until 12 Noon
Rosary each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

We welcome into Rathdowney Parish Community
Áine Catherine Bourke
who is being baptised this weekend.



Table Quiz in Aid of St Brigid's Camogie Club

Will take place on Saturday 14th February
in Drennan's, Green Roads at 9pm

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 website for one month only.
Copies of past funerals are available to family members on request.
Contact the Parish Office re same.

Newsletter for the Parishes of

Durrow and Rathdowney

24th / 25th January 2026

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person
Fintan Fanning - 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

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

Message from Fr Martin

I will be in hospital for surgery next week and will be taking two weeks away
from parish duties to recover.
I am very grateful to Fr Dan Bolland, from Kilkenny who will look after the parish
in my absence.
Thank you for your understanding and prayers.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Will take place from May 25 to May 30, 2026
All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours by telephone 01-2410800,
or online www.joewalshtours.ie/pilgrimages/group-diocesan-pilgrimages/
or by post to JWT 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02WY88.

SPECIAL ASSISTED/SICK SECTION

Pilgrims who would like to travel with the Special Assisted Section should apply to
Anna Colleton at a.colleton@cbskilkenney.ie This special assisted/sick section is
accommodated at the Accueil. Acceptance for travel with the special section for the
sick is subject to the approval of the Pilgrimage Medical Board.
Early booking is advisable as space is limited to one plane load.

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 directly or alternatively leave the details in the Parish Office.

Fr. Martin

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY 2026

Durrow 11am: John & Robbie Soames
followed by the interment of Robbie's ashes.

Cullohill 7.30pm: Clem Whyte, Ballynevin, Cullohill, Months Mind

Durrow 7.30pm: Eileen Sheppard, Durrow

SUNDAY 25TH JANUARY 2026

Durrow 11.15 am: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

Mon to Fri Mass in Durrow at 8.50am

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: Sheila Lawlor, Mill Rd., Durrow
Maeve Thornton, Derry Wood, Durrow.

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 31ST JANUARY 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm

Durrow 7.30pm:

SUNDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2026

Durrow 11.15am: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass

Collections

Weekend 17th / 18th January 2026

Loose Plate - € 562 Envelopes - € 2927

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.

Cullohill Community Centre & Cullohill Handball Club

Annual Monster Auction on Sunday 8th February at 1.30pm
Household Items - Quality Vouchers - Firewood - Fodder - Raffle & Baked Goods.
Teas, Coffees & Cake and Bake Sale by Cullohill N.S. Parents Council
Item drop off of goods, vouchers and fresh bakes to hall on Saturday evening (7th)
and Sunday morning (8th).

First Saturday Devotion

In the Church of the Most Holy Rosary,
Abbeyleix on Saturday 7th Feb 2026 at 3.45pm.

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.