

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH

SATURDAY 7TH MARCH 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Paddy Delaney, Feereigh, Month's Mind
Tom Creagh, Johnstown Road. 1st Anniversary
Peter & Bridie Daly, High Street.
Peg Dollard, Ballyedmond.

SUNDAY 8TH MARCH 2026

Errill 10am: Joseph & Mary Bergin, Kyleahaw, & deceased members of the Bergin & Browne families.
Dermot & Catherine Barton, Graigueavalla.
Jackie White, Ballagh

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK IN RATHDOWNEY

Tues 10am: Seamus McCabe, Moore St.

Wed to Friday: Mass at 10 am

Recent Deaths: Sylvia Gaffney (Née Ryan) Shannon & Rathdowney
Kathleen McKeague, Letterkenny.

Anniversaries: Margaret Curran, Mill Street
Kieran Cleary, Errill
Bridie Loughman, Middlemount & Cuan Bhríde
Paddy, Mary & Ciss Whelan, Coolowley
John & Bridget Bergin, Coolowley

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: Jer Peters, Mooreville & Cuan Bhríde, Months Mind
Larry Ryan, Knockiel, 1st Anniversary
Anthony McKelvey, Village View
Jim Rafter, Clonmeen

SUNDAY 15TH MARCH 2026

Errill 10am: Michael Lalor, Clonmeen
Deceased members of the Gaffney & Whelan families,
Clonmeen

Collections

Weekend 28th February / 1st March 2026

Loose Plate - €418 Envelopes - €1384

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
Skylar & Ellie Burke
who are being baptised this weekend.



St. Colmcille's N.S. Errill Enrolment 2026 / 2027

Applications for enrolment are currently being accepted for Errill N.S.
Application Forms are available from the school (0505-44228 / office@errillns.ie)
The Admissions Notice for Errill N.S. is available on our school
website: www.errillns.ie

Epilepsy Awareness Day

Purple Day or Epilepsy Awareness Day Will take place on Thursday 26th March
2026. In Ireland today, over 45,000 people live with epilepsy.
For further information, please visit www.epilepsy.ie.

Cleaner Required

Part time cleaner required for Scoil Bhríde NS, Rathdowney
10 hours p/w for further details please email scoilbhrídeoffice@gmail.com

**Newsletter for the Parishes of
Durrow and Rathdowney
7th / 8th March 2026
Third Sunday of Lent**

SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person
Fintan Fanning - 085 802 1633
safeguarding@ossory.ie
Gardaí 1800 555 222 / TUSLA
Laos/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

Changes to Mass Times

At a recent joint meeting of the Durrow and Rathdowney Parish Pastoral Councils, it was agreed that the following changes would be made to Mass times.

The 7.30 pm Mass in Durrow on Saturday evening will be discontinued.

Mass in Errill will change to a new time of 9.30 am on Sunday

Mass in Durrow will change to a new time of 11 am on Sunday

These changes will take place from Weekend 21st and 22nd March 2026

There are no changes to Mass times in Rathdowney and Cullohill

Celebrating the Radical Easter Message of Liberation for Women

Speaker: Gráinne Doherty an adult faith educator and retreat facilitator who strives to make connections between our religious beliefs and the lived reality of our everyday.

Venues: Ballyvaloo Retreat Centre, Blackwater, Wexford

24th April 2026 10 am to 4.30pm Cost €35 (includes lunch)

The Pembroke Hotel, Patrick St. Kilkenny

25th April 10 am to 4.30pm Cost: €20 (includes tea/coffee)

Pay on the door for both

To Book contact 056 7722870 or email: regional.office@ssjg.ie

Rising to the Challenge: Confronting Poverty and Injustice in Our Time

The world in which we live is hurting on many levels. How is it that there are those who have help and those who don't. Our faith demands that we care for those who are weaker - what is the church doing?

Join us as Sean Farrell the CEO of Trócaire leads us in a reflection of the work of Trócaire in our world today confronting poverty and injustice.

Location: St Kieran's College, Kilkenny

Date: Monday 9th March at 7.00 pm

First Communion Pilgrimage to Castlecomer

The children from both our parishes who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, will make a pilgrimage to the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Castlecomer # this Sunday for Mass at 3pm

The Relic of St. Carlo Acutis will be visible in the Church on the day.

The children have been learning about this new, young Saint as part of their Communion Preparation Programme.

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Cullohill 7.30pm: Stephen Brophy, Aughmacart, Cullohill.
Bridie Walker, Rapla, Cullohill
Sarah Phelan, Oldtown, Cullohill.

Durrow 7.30pm:

SUNDAY 8TH MARCH 2026

Durrow 11.15am: Bridget Cashin, Months Mind & her husband Morgan
Johnny Dunphy, Knockanoran, Months Mind
Philip Sheppard The Square 1st Anniversary
Mary Walshe, Erkindale Drive

MASSES DURING THIS WEEK

Mon to Fri: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm: Canon Larry Dunphy, Months Mind.

Durrow 7.30pm:

SUNDAY 15TH MARCH 2026

Durrow 11.15am:

Collections

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Loose Plate - € 374 Envelopes €909

Adoration

Adoration in Cullohill Church every Thursday morning from 10am to 11am and in Durrow directly after 8.50 am Mass (finishes at 11.30 am) on Mondays and on Fridays from 7-8pm.

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

Clothes Collection

Cullohill NS Parent's Council are holding a clothes collection in aid of the school. Large bins will be left at the front of the school during February and March. Please ensure all clothes/items are placed into tied refuse sacks. See posters for details of items accepted.

Sponsored Walk

A walk in aid of Cullohill Foróige Club will take place on Sunday 8th March leaving from the Village Garden at 3pm. Cost €5 for children, (parental supervision essential), Adults €10 and €20 for a family.

Refreshments will be served afterwards.

All welcome