

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN RATHDOWNEY PARISH—PALM SUNDAY

SATURDAY 28TH MARCH 2026

Rathdowney 6pm: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass
Kathleen Carroll, Kilbreedy
Norah Ryan, Ossory Terrace
PJ Costigan, Coolkerry

SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2026

Errill 9.30am
Angela Tighe, Kylemalawn
Kieran O’Dea, Level Meadows
Mary & John Gleeson, Knockardgannon

CEREMONIES DURING THIS HOLY WEEK

Tues & Wed: Mass at 10am
Holy Thursday 7.30pm: Mass of The Lord’s Supper in Rathdowney
Good Friday 12 Noon: Stations of the Cross in Errill
Good Friday 3pm: Celebration of The Lord’s Passion in Rathdowney

Recent Deaths: Ann McNamara, Erkina Court.
Kevin Morrissey, formerly Kilcoran died in London.

Anniversaries: Mary Whelan, Ballyedmond
Edward Kearney, Knockiel Road
Pat & Peg Bergin, Monamondra
Pat & Mary O’Regan, Corner House Errill

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

HOLY SATURDAY 4TH APRIL 2026

Easter Vigil Errill 8pm: Sean Creagh, Mooreville
Anna Delaney, Rossmore
Pauline & Celsus McGovern, Church Street

EASTER SUNDAY 5TH APRIL 2026

Easter Dawn Mass at 7am on the Green in front of Daly Terrace

Collections

Weekend 21st/ 22nd March 2026

Loose Plate - € 238 Envelopes - € 1,150

Adoration

No Adoration in Rathdowney until Thursday April 16th or in Errill until April 24th
Rosary each evening at 5.30pm on the Webcam

We welcome into Rathdowney Parish Community
Linda Powell-Tierney
who is being baptised this weekend.



Irish Cancer Society

Thank you to supermarkets, pharmacies and the volunteers who facilitated the Irish Cancer Society Daffodil Fundraiser in Rathdowney. Thank you also to the Easter Egg Knitters Group and all who donated so generously. €5,538 has been forwarded to the Irish Cancer Society.

Anam Cara Bereavement Support

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 8th April 2026 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. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

**Newsletter for the Parishes of
Durrow and Rathdowney
28th /29th March 2026
Palm Sunday**

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

Mass of Chrism

Will take place in St Mary’s Cathedral, Kilkenny
on Wednesday 1st April at 7.30 pm All are welcome.

Visits to the Sick and Housebound

Visits to the sick and housebound which Fr Martin normally makes on
First Friday’s he will do on Wednesday 1st April.
Thursday visits will go ahead as normal on Holy Thursday.

Easter Ceremonies 2026

Holy Thursday – 2nd April

7.30 pm Rathdowney Mass of the Lord’s Supper (Fr Dan Bollard)
7.30pm Durrow Mass of the Lord’s Supper (Fr Martin)

Good Friday – 3rd April

11am - 12 Noon Durrow:
Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confessions (Fr Martin)
12 Noon Errill Stations of the Cross (Sr Anita)
3pm Rathdowney Celebration of the Lord’s Passion (Fr Martin)
3pm Durrow Celebration of the Lord’s Passion (Fr Dan Bollard)
7pm Cullohill Passion Walk (Fr Martin)

From Cullohill Castle to the Church
praying the 14 Stations of the Cross along the way

Holy Saturday – 4th April

11am - 12 Noon Rathdowney:
Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confessions (Fr Martin)
8pm Durrow Easter Vigil (Fr Martin)
8pm Errill Easter Vigil (Fr Dan Bollard)

Easter Sunday - 5th April

7.00am Dawn Mass Daly Terrace, Rathdowney (Fr Martin)
10.00 am Cullohill Mass for Easter Day (Fr Martin)
11.00 am Durrow Mass for Easter Day (Fr Dan Bollard)

MASSES THIS WEEKEND IN DURROW PARISH

SATURDAY 28TH MARCH 2026

Cullohill 7.30pm: Michael McEvoy, Rapla

SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2026

Durrow 11.00am: First Holy Communion Preparation Mass
Thomas & Ellen Lalor, Cork Road, Durrow
Pilar Delaney, Erkindale Drive
John Dunphy, Derry Road
Margaret & John O’Sullivan, Tubberboe

CEREMONIES DURING THIS HOLY WEEK

Mon to Wed: Mass in Durrow at 8.50am.
Holy Thursday 7.30pm: Mass of the Lord’s Supper in Durrow
Good Friday 3pm: Celebration of the Lord’s Passion in Durrow
Good Friday 7 pm: Passion Walk to pray the Stations of the Cross in Cullohill

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

HOLY SATURDAY 4TH APRIL 2026

Durrow 8pm:

EASTER SUNDAY 5TH APRIL 2026

Cullohill 10.00am: Alice Fitzpatrick, Ballynevin
Durrow 11 am:

Collections

Weekend 21st / 22nd March 2026

Loose Plate - € 394 Envelopes €1,305

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.

We welcome into Durrow Parish Community
Kaci Galvin
who is being baptised this weekend



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

Table Quiz

In support of Durrow Tidy Towns will take place in Bobs Bar, Durrow on Friday 3rd April at 8pm. Table of four €40. Prizes on the night

Diocese of Ossory Lenten Programme

Trócaire Stations of the Cross

Praying the Stations of the Cross using reflections from Trócaire. Come and experience this moment of prayer in song, Silence and hope. All are welcome
Location: St Marys Cathedral, Kilkenny
Date: Good Friday, 3rd April at 7.00pm